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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE

1897

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CHAP. 446**Chapter 446.**

An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

School for deaf and dumb, established.

Sect. 1. The Maine School for the Deaf is hereby established to be devoted to the education and instruction of deaf and dumb children.

Location.

Sect. 2. Said school shall be located at Portland, in the county of Cumberland, and the governor and council are hereby authorized, on behalf of the state, to accept a conveyance from the city of Portland of the school lot, building and fixtures now used as a school for the deaf in said Portland upon the condition that the state shall hereafter assume the entire charge, responsibility and expense of maintaining said school.

—state may accept conveyance of lot and buildings.

Trustees, appointment and tenure.

Sect. 3. The government of said school is hereby vested in a board of five trustees, to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, to hold office for a term of five years except, however, that the trustees first appointed shall hold office, one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years and one for five years.

Duties of trustees.

Sect. 4. The trustees shall have charge of the general interests of the school and see that its affairs are conducted in accordance with law and such by-laws as they may adopt; they may adopt by-laws which shall be valid when sanctioned by the governor and council; they may employ a principal and such teachers and other employes as they may deem advisable, and fix the compensation of the same subject to the approval of the governor and council; they may from time to time prescribe the system of education and course of study to be pursued in the school and shall be allowed for their services their actual expenses and two dollars a day when actually employed.

—course of study.

Admission and support of pupils.

Sect. 5. With the consent of its parent or guardian, the trustees may admit to said school for a term not exceeding twelve years, any deaf or dumb child residing in this state and not less than five years of age, who shall not be withdrawn or discharged from said school, except with the consent of the trustees or the governor and council, and the sums necessary for the support and instruction of such children while attending said school, shall be paid by the state.

Children from other states may be admitted.

Sect. 6. Deaf and dumb children residing in other states, may at the discretion of the trustees, be admitted to said school

upon the payment by their parents or guardian of a reasonable CHAP. 447  
 compensation to be fixed by the trustees.

Approved March 15, 1897.

### Chapter 447.

An Act additional relating to Hubbard Free Library of Hallowell.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
 Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The several acts relating to the Hubbard Free Library of Hallowell, formerly the Hallowell Social Library, are hereby amended, so that said library may take and hold real and personal estate not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

Library au-  
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 hold real  
 estate.

Approved March 15, 1897.

### Chapter 448.

An Act authorizing the Town of Kittery to raise money for the observance of its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
 Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The town of Kittery is hereby authorized and empowered to raise a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, to be expended in such manner as it may determine for the proper observance of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation.

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Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1897.