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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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'Section 1. From and after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and one, the salary of the clerk of courts for York county shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly from the county treasury, on the first days of January, April, July and October of each year, for the quarters preceding; and in addition thereto he shall be allowed to retain from the fees of his office a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars annually to be applied to the payment of clerk hire in his office, to be in full of all services as clerk of the supreme judicial court, and of the county commissioners' court; and he shall account, under oath, for all fees received by him, or which he is entitled to receive by virtue of his office, and pay them over to the county treasurer on the first days of January and July of each year'

Salary of clerk of courts of York county established.

—clerk hire.

—shall account for all fees.

Approved March 21, 1901.

Chapter 237.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and forty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

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

Section 1. Section twenty of chapter one hundred and forty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 20, chapter 142, R. S., amended.

'Section 20. The board of trustees of said school shall have all the powers as to the person, property, earnings and education of every girl committed to the charge of said trustees, during the term of her commitment, which a guardian has as to his ward, and all powers which parents have over their children. At the discretion of said board, any such girl, during her commitment, may be kept at said school, or intrusted to the care of any suitable person and may be required to work for such person, or may be bound by deed of indenture to service or apprenticeship for a period not exceeding the term of her commitment, on such conditions as said board may deem reasonable and proper. Such indenture shall specify the conditions, and shall require the person to whom such girl is bound, to report to said board as often as once in three months the conduct and behavior of such girl, and whether she remains under such master or mistress, and if not, where she is. Said trustees shall take care that the terms of such indenture are fulfilled, and the girl well treated, and if they believe that by reason of her misconduct, vicious inclinations or surroundings, she is in danger of

Duties and privileges of trustees.

—may bind to service any girl committed to their charge.

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falling into habits of vice or immorality, or that her welfare is in any way imperiled, they may cancel such indenture and resume charge of such girl with the same powers as before the indenture was made. The powers of said board with respect to any girl intrusted, as herein provided, to the care of a suitable person are not affected thereby, nor by her being bound to service or apprenticeship, except as expressed in the bond of indenture. Said trustees, master or mistress and apprentice, shall have all the rights and be subject to all the duties and penalties provided in case of children apprenticed by overseers of the poor. Any member of said board may execute such indenture deed in behalf of the board if authorized by a vote of said board. Said board may, by vote in any case, or by a general by-law, authorize a member or committee of said board, or the principal of said school to intrust said girls to the care and service of a suitable person or persons without indenture, to see to their welfare during such service and to require their return to said school at discretion.'

Section 31
amended.

Section 2. Section thirty-one of said chapter is hereby amended, so that said section, as hereby amended, shall read as follows:

Penalty for
aiding a girl
to escape.

'Section 31. Whoever advises, induces, aids or abets any girl committed to the charge or guardianship of said trustees to escape from the school, or from the custody of any person to whom such girl has been bound or intrusted by said trustees or by their authority, or knowingly harbors or secretes any girl who has escaped from said school, or from the custody, authority or control of said trustees, or from any person to whom such girl has been bound or intrusted by said trustees or by their authority, or elopes with any such girl, or without the consent of said trustees marries any such girl during the term of her commitment, shall be fined not more than one hundred, nor less than fifty dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding six months; and any girl who has so escaped may be arrested and detained, without warrant, by any officer authorized to serve criminal precepts, for a reasonable time to enable the principal or a trustee of said school, or a person authorized in writing by such principal or trustee and provided with the mittimus by which such girl was committed, or a certified copy, thereof, to take such girl for the purpose of returning her to said school; but during such detention she shall not be committed to jail, and the officer arresting her shall be paid by the state a reasonable compensation for her arrest and keeping.'

Approved March 21, 1901.