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OF THE

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Chapter 155.

An Act relating to compensation of County Commissioners of Hancock County.

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

Compensation of county commissioners of Hancock county, fixed.

Section 1. On and after January first, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three, the pay of each county commissioner of the county of Hancock shall be three dollars and fifty cents for each day actually employed in the service of the county, including the time spent in traveling and each commissioner shall have ten cents a mile for the distance actually traveled.

Section 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1903.

Chapter 156.

An Act to exempt Religious Institutions from the Collateral Inheritance Tax.

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

Section 1 of chapter 146, public laws of 1893, as amended by Section 1 of chapter 96, laws of 1895, and as amended by chapter 225, laws of 1901, further amended.

Section 1. Section one of chapter one hundred and forty-six of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three as amended by section one of chapter ninety-six of the laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and as further amended by chapter two hundred and twenty-five of the laws of one thousand nine hundred and one, is hereby further amended by inserting the word 'religious' after the word "charitable" so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Property subject to collateral inheritance tax.

'Section 1. All property within the jurisdiction of this state, and any interest therein, whether belonging to inhabitants of this state, or not, and whether tangible or intangible, which shall pass by will or by the interstate laws of this state, or by deed, grant, sale or gift made or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment after the death of the grantor, to any person in trust or otherwise, other than to or for the use of the father, mother, husband, wife, lineal descendant, adopted child, the lineal descendant of any adopted child, the wife or widow of a son or the husband of the daughter of a descendant, or any educational, charitable, religious or benevolent institution in this state, shall be liable to a tax of four per cent of its value, above

—exceptions.

the sum of five hundred dollars, for the use of the state, and all administrators, executors and trustees, and any such grantee under a conveyance made during the grantor's life shall be liable for all such taxes, with lawful interest as hereinafter provided, until the same shall have been paid as hereinafter directed.

Section 2. All such taxes heretofore assessed or to be assessed upon legacies or bequests to religious institutions are hereby abated.'

—per cent
of tax.

Abatement
of tax on
legacies to
religious
institutions.

Approved March 26, 1903.

Chapter 157.

An Act relating to Trespassers.

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

Section 1. In all cases where any person without right now or hereafter dwells upon or in any manner occupies any lands which on the first day of April, eighteen hundred and eighty-three was wild land, any owner of such wild lands or of any legal or equitable interest therein may cause a notice to quit such lands to be served upon such person. Such service shall be made by any sheriff or deputy sheriff by giving the same to such person in hand. Such officer shall make his return upon a copy of such notice certified by him to be a true copy, and within sixty days thereafter such owner may cause such copy and return to be recorded in the registry of deeds in the county or district where said land is located. Proceedings had and taken as above specified shall bar such person who has so entered or dwells upon such wild land from obtaining any rights by adverse possession to the land upon which he has so entered. Provided, however, such person shall be entitled to the benefits of all the provisions of law relating to betterments.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1903.

Trespassers
on wild lands.

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—service
of notice.

—return,
how made.

—record of
copy and
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—proviso.