

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1903.

Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28,
1820, February 18, 1840, and March 16, 1842.

AUGUSTA
KENNEBEC JOURNAL PRINT
1903

PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1903.

enrollment, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months.

Section 14. This act shall take effect July first, nineteen hundred and three; but shall not apply to caucuses held prior to January first, nineteen hundred and four, nor shall it apply to cities of more than thirty-five thousand inhabitants, nor to cities wherein the calling and holding of caucuses are now regulated by special law until such special law is repealed.

When this act shall take effect.

Section 15. This act shall not apply to towns of less than two thousand inhabitants.

Shall not apply to towns of less than 2000 inhabitants.

Approved March 28, 1903.

Chapter 215.

An Act in relation to Agricultural Societies.

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

Section 1. Section eleven of chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out that part of said section which relates to the Penobscot and Aroostook Union Agricultural Society, the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society, and the Ossipee Valley Union Agricultural Society, and the appropriations named for each, and by other changes therein, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 11 of chapter 58, R. S. as amended, further amended.

Section 11. There shall be appropriated annually from the state treasury, beginning in nineteen hundred and four, a sum of money not exceeding one cent and one-quarter to each inhabitant of the state, which shall be divided among the legally incorporated agricultural societies of the state not provided for by special enactment, according to the amount of premiums and gratuities actually paid in full by said societies, provided, that the stipend shall herewith be based entirely upon the premiums and gratuities actually paid in full on exhibition stocks and products, and provided that no society shall receive from the state a sum greater than that actually raised and paid by the society for said purposes. Provided, also, that each of the said societies shall cause the prohibitory liquor law to be enforced on all grounds over which they have control, and not allow gambling in any form or games of chance on said grounds.'

Stipend for agricultural societies.

—basis of stipend.

—prohibitory liquor law shall be enforced on all grounds controlled by society.

Section 2. Section twelve of chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "and also a certificate from the secretary of the board of agriculture that

Section 12 of chapter 58, R. S., amended.

CHAP. 215

said society has complied with the requirements of section fifteen," and inserting in place thereof the following: 'and also a certificate from the commissioner of agriculture that he has examined into the claim of said society; that in his opinion it has complied with the provisions of section fifteen of this chapter; with section fourteen of this chapter as amended by section two of chapter two hundred eighty-eight of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven and also with section three of this act; that there has been awarded and paid by said society as premiums and gratuities a sum at least equal to the amount apportioned to said society and that the provisions in regard to gambling and the sale of intoxicating liquors have been strictly complied with,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Treasurer shall file certificates with treasurer of state.

'Section 12. None of such payments shall be made to any society until the treasurer thereof files with the treasurer of the state a certificate on oath stating the amount raised by it and containing the specifications required in section fourteen; and also a certificate from the commissioner of agriculture that he has examined into the claim of said society; that in his opinion it has complied with the provisions of section fifteen of this chapter; with section fourteen of this chapter as amended by section two of chapter two hundred eighty-eight of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven and also with section three of this act; that there has been awarded and paid by said society as premiums and gratuities a sum at least equal to the amount apportioned to said society and that the provisions in regard to gambling and the sale of intoxicating liquors have been strictly complied with.'

Society offering premiums on grade males not entitled to stipend.

Section 3. No state stipend shall be paid to any agricultural society offering or paying premiums on grade males and the commissioner of agriculture is hereby authorized to make this a part of the sworn return to be made by the proper officers of all agricultural societies, provided that evidence as to eligibility to registration be accepted as satisfactory proof of purity of blood.

Stipend to Eastern Maine and Maine state agricultural societies, conditional.

Section 4. The payment of the state stipend to the Eastern Maine and Maine State Agricultural societies shall be conditional upon the use of the score card system in the judging of all horses, breeds of cattle, sheep and swine, and of dairy products; the cards to be used for pure bloods to be those adopted by the several breeders' associations. A copy of each score card as filled by the judge shall be delivered to the exhibitor of each individual animal judged. All county societies receiving a three hundred dollar stipend or more, shall be required to faithfully observe the same system and conditions.

Section 5. Section one of chapter one hundred and eight of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 28, 1903.

CHAP. 216

Section 1 of chapter 108, public laws of 1870, repealed.

Chapter 216.

An Act for the protection of Lobsters with eggs attached.

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

Section 1. The commissioner of sea and shore fisheries is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase at a rate not exceeding twenty-five per cent above the market price, lobsters with eggs attached, caught along the coast of Maine. Whoever catches any such lobsters with eggs attached, may safely store the same in lobster cars or sections of cars used for that purpose only, and may keep them separate from other lobsters until such time as the said commissioner or some person or persons designated by him can gather and pay for them. Said commissioner and his agent shall liberate them in the vicinity of the location where they were caught; or he may at his discretion sell any portion or all of them to the officer in charge of the United States fish hatchery for artificial propagation, the proceeds to be applied to the appropriation made for the enforcement of this act.

Lobsters, with eggs attached, may be purchased by commissioner of sea and shore fisheries.

Section 2. The sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for carrying out the provisions of this act in the year nineteen hundred and three, and five thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred and four, to be used at the discretion of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries.

Appropriation for carrying out provisions of this act.

Approved March 28, 1903.