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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1903.

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ately after the annual examination of the same in some newspaper published where said corporation is established. If no paper is published in the town where said corporation is established, then it shall be published in a newspaper printed in the nearest city or town. The necessary expenses of the bank examiner while making such examination shall be paid by the corporation.

First meeting,  
how called.

Section 16. Any three of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by all, postage paid, to each of the other corporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of such meeting, and at such meeting the necessary officers may be chosen, by-laws adopted, and any other corporate business transacted.

Section 17. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 25, 1903.

### Chapter 68.

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Portland.

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

Section 12, of  
chapter 275, of  
special laws  
of 1863, as  
amended by  
chapter 384, of  
special laws  
of 1901, further  
amended.

Section 1. Section twelve of chapter two hundred seventy-five of the private and special laws of the state of Maine, approved March twenty-four, eighteen hundred sixty-three, as amended by chapter three hundred eighty-four of the private and special laws of the state of Maine, approved March nineteen, nineteen hundred one, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "majority" in the fifth line of said section and substituting therefor the word 'plurality,' so that said section twelve as amended, shall read as follows:

Election of  
mayor, ward  
officers and  
constables.

'Section 12. The mayor shall be elected by the inhabitants of the city, voting in their respective wards. One alderman, three common councilmen, a warden and clerk, and two constables, shall be elected by each ward, being residents in the ward where elected. All said officers shall be elected by ballot by a plurality of the votes given; and shall hold their office one year from the second Monday in December, and until others shall be elected and qualified in their places. All city and ward officers shall be held to discharge the duties of the offices to which they have been respectively elected, notwithstanding their removal after their election out of their respective wards into any other

—plurality  
shall elect.

wards in the city; but they shall not so be held after they have taken up their permanent residence out of the city.'

Section 2. Section thirteen of said chapter two hundred and seventy-five as amended by said chapter three hundred and eighty-four is hereby further amended by striking out the word "majority" at the end of the fifteenth line of said section and substituting therefor the word 'plurality,' so that said section thirteen as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 13 of chapter 275 of special laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 384 of special laws of 1901, further amended.

'Section 13. On the first Monday in December annually the qualified electors of each ward shall ballot for mayor, one alderman, three common councilmen, a warden and clerk, and two constables, on one ballot. The ward clerk, within twenty-four hours after such election, shall deliver to the persons elected, certificates of their election, and shall forthwith deliver to the city clerk a certified copy of the record of such election, a plain and intelligible abstract of which shall be entered by the city clerk on the city records. If the choice of any such officers is not effected on that day, the meeting shall be adjourned to another day, not more than two days thereafter, to complete such election, and may so adjourn from time to time, until the election is complete. The board of aldermen shall, as soon as conveniently may be, examine the copies of the records of the several wards, certified as aforesaid, and shall cause the person who shall have been elected mayor by a plurality of the votes given in all the wards, to be notified in writing of his election. But if it shall appear that no person shall have been so elected, or if the person elected shall refuse to accept the office, the said board shall issue their warrants for another election; and in case the citizens shall fail on a second ballot to elect a mayor, the city council in convention shall, from the four highest candidates voted for at the second election and returned, elect a mayor for the ensuing year; and in case of a vacancy in the office of mayor by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall be filled for the remainder of the term by a new election in the manner hereinbefore provided for the choice of said officer. The oath or affirmation prescribed by this act, shall be administered to the mayor by the city clerk or any justice of the peace in said city. The aldermen and common councilmen elect, shall on the second Monday in December, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, meet in convention, when the oath or affirmation required by the second section of this act shall be administered to the members of the two boards present, by the mayor or any justice of the peace, after which the board of common council shall be organized by the election of a president and clerk. The city council shall, by ordinance, determine the time of holding stated or regular meetings of the

When election shall be held.

—certificates of election shall be delivered within 24 hours.

—when no choice is made, subsequent proceedings.

—vacancy in office of mayor, how filled.

—oath of office, by whom administered.

—when stated or regular meetings shall be held.

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board, and shall also, in like manner, determine the manner of calling special meetings and the persons by whom the same shall be called; but until otherwise provided by ordinance special meetings shall be called by the mayor by causing a notification to be left at the usual residence or place of business of each member of the board or boards to be convened.'

Section 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 25, 1903.

### Chapter 69.

An Act to extend the charter of the Sanford Trust Company.

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

Charter extended for two years.

Section 1. The rights, powers and privileges of the Sanford Trust Company which were granted by chapter four hundred and sixty-nine, of the private and special laws of one thousand nine hundred and one, are hereby extended for two years from the approval of this act and the persons named in said act, their associates and successors shall have all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted them by said act to be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as specified in said act.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 25, 1903.

### Chapter 70.

An Act for the better protection of Shell Fish within the town of Georgetown.

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

Shell fish shall not be taken in the town of Georgetown without written permit.

—proviso.

Section 1. No shell fish shall be taken from any flats within the limits of the town of Georgetown, in Sagadahoc county, except by written permit of the municipal officers of the town and payment to the town for the privilege at such price as said town may establish at any town meeting, any existing law to the contrary notwithstanding; provided, that without such permit, any inhabitant within said town, or any person temporarily resident therein, or the riparian owner of such flats, may take there-