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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Chapter 75.

An Act amendatory of Sections sixty-seven and sixty-eight of Chapter seventy-nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reporter of Decisions.

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

Section 67, chapter 79, R. S., amended.

Duties of reporter of decisions.

-nrice of reports. -size and volume.

-may make contracts for printing, etc.

Section 68, chapter 79, R. S., amended.

Reports shall be copyrighted in the name of the state.

—all profits shall be paid over to the treasurer of state. -exception.

-may retain part of profits for clerk hire, etc.

Section 1. Section sixty-seven of chapter seventy-nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended so that said section sixtyseven as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 67. The reporter of decisions shall, by his personal attendance at law court when practicable, or by the best other means in his power, prepare correct reports of all legal questions argued and decided, reporting cases more or less at large according to his judgment of their importance. He shall publish at least one volume yearly, provided he has material enough to make a volume of the size required by this section, and furnish the usual number of current copies to the state and to the public at the price of one dollar and seventy-five cents a volume. Each volume shall be of the average size of volume eighty-three, Maine reports, and be equal thereto in paper, printing, binding, general finish and quantity of printed matter. The reporter may, from time to time, as he sees fit, make a written contract in his own name with any person, firm or corporation for the printing, publishing and binding of said reports and shall require such person, firm or corporation to give a good and sufficient bond with good and sufficient sureties, conditioned for the faithful performance of all the terms and conditions of such contract by the person, firm or corporation with whom the reporter makes such contract. In case of a breach of any or all the conditions of such bond, the reporter may maintain an action on such bond in his own name.'

Section 2. Section sixty-eight of chapter seventy-nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended, so that said section sixtyeight as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 68. Each volume of said reports shall be entered by the secretary of state with the librarian of congress, and copyrighted in the name of the state of Maine, and the manuscript and copyright thereof shall belong to the state. All profits arising from the publication and sale of said reports and advance sheets thereof received by said reporter, except as hereinafter provided, shall be accounted for and paid over by him to the treasurer of state on the first Monday in December in each year. But the reporter may retain out of said profits received by him the sum of four hundred dollars, each year, commencing January one, nineteen hundred and seven, for clerk hire, stationery, postage, expressage and incidental expenses. At the expiration

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-duties cease on expiration of term.

of his term of office, all the official duties of the reporter shall cease, and he shall turn over and deliver to his successor all unpublished cases in his hands, and shall also assign and transfer to his successor any contract and bond he then may have relating to a volume not then completed or commenced. And such successor's rights in and under such contract and bond shall be the same as though he had originally made the contract and taken the bond.'

Section 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1907.

Chapter 76.

An Act to prevent the unlawful diversion of Water.

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

Whoever unlawfully and intentionally taps or interferes with the water pipes belonging to any city, town or water district or pipes lawfully connected therewith shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Approved March 20, 1907.

Unlawful diversion of water.

-penalty.

Chapter 77.

An Act to amend Section forty-four of Chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to sanitary conditions of Factories, Workshops, Mines and Quarries.

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

Section forty-four of chapter forty of the revised statutes of nineteen hundred three is hereby amended by striking out the words "the local board of health, and said board of health shall investigate the matter" in the last two lines of said section, and substituting in place thereof the words: 'and direct the employer to rectify the same; and if said employer shall neglect or refuse so to do within a reasonable time, said inspector may cause the same to be done at the expense of the employer,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 44. The said inspector, upon complaint, shall inquire into, and prosecute for, any violations of sections fifty-seven and fifty-eight of this chapter, relating to the fortnightly payment of wages. He shall also examine into the sanitary condition of factories, workshops, mines and quarries, and when any condi-

Section 44, chapter 40, R. S., amended.

Duties of inspector as to payment of wages, and sanitary condition of factories, etc.