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Section 3. Whenever material for a town history with local geography has been approved by the state historian, and the same has been published by the town, and provision has been state aid. made for its regular use in the public schools of said town; then the state treasurer shall pay the town so publishing a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars, provided that the state -proviso. shall not pay to any town, to exceed one-half the amount paid by said town for printing and binding said histories.

Section 4. The superintending school committee, and the Board to superintendent of schools, shall elect some citizen of the town history. to serve with them; and these persons shall constitute a board to compile a history and the local geography of the town in which they reside. Two or more towns may unite in compiling —towns may unite. and publishing a history and the local geography of the towns forming the union. It shall be the duty of the superintendent —history to of schools to forward two copies of said history to the Maine in state of the superintendent. state library and notify the superintendent of public schools of the title of said history.

Section 5. All the actual cash expenses of the said state Expenses of historian. historian incurred while in the discharge of his official duties shall be paid on the approval and order of the governor and council, and shall not exceed five hundred dollars per annum.

Approved March 20, 1907.

Chapter 89.

An Act to amend Sections three, four, five and nine of Chapter seventeen of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and five, relating to Veterinary Surgeons.

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

words "on and after September first, nineteen hundred and five," seventeen of the words "on and after September first, nineteen hundred and five," in the first and second lines thereof and by adding the word "to" in the first and second lines thereof and by adding the seventeen of the Section 3, chapter 17, public laws 1905, amended. word "to" in the second line the words 'advertise by sign, card or otherwise, or attach to his name the title of V. S. or veterinary surgeon, or any veterinary title ordinarily used,' and by striking out of said section three after the word "to" in the second line the words 'practice veterinary surgery, medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof within the state,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to advertise Practitioners by sign, card or otherwise, or attach to his name the title of shall obtain certificate. V. S. or veterinary surgeon, or any veterinary title ordinarily

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used without having previously obtained a certificate from the state board of veterinary examiners and being registered as herein provided.'

Section 4,

Section 2. Section four is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "prohibiting" in the fourteenth line and adding 'any person residing in the state of Maine not registered from practicing veterinary surgery, medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof, and collecting reasonable compensation for such service providing such person does not attach to his name V. S. or veterinary surgeon, or any veterinary title ordinarily used, or advertised by card, sign or otherwise,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Present practitioners shall register.

Any person who shall be engaged in the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof in this state, on the date of the approval of this act, may lawfully continue such practice upon condition that he shall, on or before September first, nineteen hundred and five, register his name and address with said state board of veterinary examiners and give satisfactory proof to said board that he was so in practice on said date of approval. Any person shall be regarded as practicing veterinary surgery, medicine, or dentistry, or any branch thereof, within the meaning of this act, who has publicly professed to be a veterinary surgeon, or has prescribed for sick or injured animals and accepted fees for such services, or has attached to his name the title V. S. or veterinary surgeon, or any veterinary title ordinarily used. Nothing in this act shall be construed as prohibiting any person residing in the state of Maine not registered from practicing veterinary surgery, medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof, and collecting reasonable compensation for such service provided such person does not attach to his name V. S. or veterinary surgeon, or any veterinary title ordinarily used or advertised by card, sign or otherwise.'

-exception,

-definition of term.

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Section 5, amended.

Section 3. Section five is hereby amended by adding after the word "five" in the third line 'by using any veterinary title or advertising by card, sign or otherwise,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Future practitioners shall be graduates of chartered institutions. 'Section 5. All persons who shall commence the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine, or dentistry, or any branch thereof, within the state after May first, nineteen hundred and five, by using any veterinary title or advertising by card, sign or otherwise, shall be graduates of a legally chartered veterinary school, college or university having the power to confer degrees in veterinary surgery, and shall pass an examination to the satisfaction of said board of examiners. Applicants for examination as herein provided, shall file with the secretary of the board their

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-fee.

written request for such examination, and pay to the treasurer of said board a fee of five dollars before being permitted to take such examination.

Section 9,

Section 4. Section nine of said chapter seventeen is hereby amended by striking out after the word "Maine" in the third line the words "after September first, nineteen hundred and five" and by striking out the words "one hundred" and "by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty days" in the sixth and seventh lines thereof, so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

> Penalty for practicing in violation of this act.

'Section 9. Any person who shall practice veterinary surgery, medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof in the state of Maine without complying with the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by fine not exceeding twenty dollars.'

Section 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1907.

Chapter 90.

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to Public Schools.

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

Section two of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "public" in line twenty-two of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word 'common.' so that said section when amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 2. The location of any school legally established

Section 2, chapter 15, R. S., amended.

prior to March seventeen, eighteen hundred and ninety-three continues unchanged, notwithstanding the district is abolished; but any town at its annual meeting, or at a meeting called for the purpose, may determine the number and location of its schools, and may discontinue them or change their location: but such discontinuance or change of location shall be made only on the written recommendation of the superintending school com-

mittee, and on conditions proper to preserve the just rights and privileges of the inhabitants for whose benefit such schools were established; provided, however, that in case any school shall

hereafter have too few scholars for its profitable maintenance,

the superintending school committee may suspend the operation

of such school for not more than one year unless otherwise instructed by the town, but any public school failing to maintain an average attendance for any school year, of at least eight

No change in location of any school legally established.

towns may determine number and location on recommen-dation of committee.

of schools with few scholars suspended.