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trived that it shall be kept closed at all times. Said booth shall also be provided with a ventilator pipe not less than pipe. twelve inches in diameter leading to the outer air, or to a chimney, with an electric fan installed so as to create at all times when the machine or machines are in operation a forced draft through said ventilator for the purpose of carrying off all gases and smoke which may arise from accidental ignition of the film. Shutters made of one-quarter inch asbestos-wood -shutters. shall be provided for closing the windows in the booth or enclosure which must be so contrived as to close automatically in case of accidental ignition of the film. The enclosure or —location housing provided for such cinematograph, moving picture ma- of; enchine, or other similar apparatus, shall be located above the main floor of the hall, room or building where such cinematograph, moving picture machine, or similar apparatus is located. There shall be a sufficient number of exits or fire escapes leading into a street, lane or passageway, with no obstruction to free exit.

Section 5. Any person keeping, using or operating any cinematograph or similar apparatus contrary to the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than twentyfive dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, to be recovered on complaint or indictment to the use of the city or town in which any such violation occurs.

Section 6. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith Inconsistent are hereby repealed.

Approved February 24, 1909.

Chapter 22.

An Act relating to temporary crossings over railroads for Lumbering Purposes.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Any railroad company may, in accordance with the provisions of this act, establish and maintain temporary crossings of any railroad operated by it, for the purpose of accommodating lumbering operations, by agreement with any person who may request such crossing for lumbering purposes, and upon petition to the railroad commissioners, after notice and hearing, said commissioners, may direct any railroad company to establish and maintain such temporary crossings and at such places on its line of road as said commissioners

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shall deem expedient, and thereupon said railroad company shall establish such crossing and maintain the same in accordance with the provisions of this act.

Crossing signs shall be placed on each side of the track.

Section 2. At every temporary crossing, established in accordance with section one of this act, boards with the words, "temporary railroad crossing, stop, look, listen," distinctly painted thereon, on each side, in letters plainly legible, shall be placed on each side line of the railroad right of way at such crossing, on a post or other structure in such position as to be easily seen by persons about to cross the railroad at such places.

Whistle and bell shall be sounded for warning. Section 3. For any such crossing, so established, engine bells shall be rung and engine whistles sounded, as provided in section seventy of chapter fifty-one, of the revised statutes.

Precaution shall be taken when driving teams over crossings. Section 4. No team shall be driven over any such crossing unless such team shall first be stopped at the line of the railroad right of way and the driver thereof shall first look and listen, and such driver or some other person for him shall first go upon such crossing, ahead of such team, and be satisfied that such team may safely be driven over such crossing. Nothing in this section shall prevent the railroad commissioners from making such further regulations for safety at any such crossing established under their direction, as they may deem expedient or necessary.

Crossings to be kept open as parties may agree. Section 5. Each such crossing shall be kept open only during such time each year as the parties interested therein may agree upon, or as the railroad commissioners may specify in cases where the railroad commissioners direct such crossings to be established. When the railroad commissioners shall direct any such temporary crossing to be established they shall determine who shall bear the expense of establishing and maintaining such crossing, and furnishing and erecting such sign boards, and they may, if they see fit, apportion such expense between the railroad company and the person or persons who shall have petitioned for such crossing.

Expense of crossing signs and planking. The expense of the crossing signs and the planking between the rails shall, however, in any event be borne by the railroad company.

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