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to suburban districts, but only to thickly populated portions of a city, nor to tracks laid along the side of streets or ways, and the amount assessed against a street railroad for such sprinkling in any street shall not exceed one-third of the rest of such sprinkling along the line of said railroads. Instead of paying an assessment as above provided, a street railroad shall have the right to sprinkle at its own expense its tracks.

—shall not apply to suburban districts.

—street railroad may sprinkle at own expense.

The amount of such assessment upon each estate and upon said railroad shall be determined by the municipal officers, or if said municipal officers so designate, by the board of public works, board of street commissioners, superintendent of streets or other officers, and said municipal officers or other officers or officer as aforesaid as soon as may be after the first day of April of each municipal year shall cause a list of such streets or portions thereof to be made, specifying each abutting estate, the length of track of street railroads on such streets to be sprinkled, and the amount determined to be assessed as aforesaid, against each abutting estate and said railroad and certify and commit said list to the assessors of taxes.'

Amount of assessment, how determined.

Approved March 5, 1909.

Chapter 48.

An Act to amend Chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State Board of Health.

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

Section 1. Section six of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the first line the word "five," and substituting in the place thereof the word 'six,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 6, chapter 18, R. S., amended.

'Section 6. The sum of fifty-five hundred dollars shall be annually appropriated to pay the salary of the secretary, meet the contingent expenses of the office of the secretary. and the expenses of the board, which shall not exceed the sum appropriated. Said expenses shall be certified and paid in the same manner as the salary of the secretary.'

Annual appropriation.

Section 2. Section eight of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes is amended by striking out the words "said diseases in the state" in the twentieth line and inserting in the

Section 8, chapter 18, R. S., amended.

place thereof the words 'any infectious or contagious diseases into the state, including rabies, or hydrophobia of animals and men.' Said section is further amended by striking out the words "which regulation shall, so far as may be deemed practicable and safe, be uniform with those which are now in effect in other North American states and provinces;" so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

State board of health may establish system of inspection, to ascertain presence of infectious disease.

—inspector may enter buildings, etc.

—to stop vessels, etc.

may detain train and side-track car if infected.

—may make rules and regulations for guarding against introduction of diseases.

'Section 8. The more effectually to protect the public health the state board of health may establish such systems of inspection as in its judgment may be necessary to ascertain the actual or threatened presence of the infection of Asiatic cholera, smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, plague or typhus fever; and any duly authorized agent or inspector of said board may enter any building, vessel, railway car or other public vehicle, to inspect the same and to remove therefrom any person affected by said diseases; and for this purpose he may require the person in charge of any vessel or public vehicle other than a railway car to stop such vessel or vehicle at any place, and he may require the conductor of any railway train to stop his train at any station or upon any side track and there detain it for a reasonable time; provided, that no conductor shall be required to stop his train when telegraphic communication with the despatcher's office cannot be obtained or at such times or under such circumstances as may endanger the safety of the train and passengers; and provided further, that any such agent or inspector may cause any car which he may think may be infected with any of said diseases to be sidetracked at any suitable place and there be cleansed, fumigated and disinfected. And the said board of health may from time to time, make, alter, modify or revoke rules and regulations for guarding against the introduction of any infectious or contagious diseases into the state, including rabies, or hydrophobia of animals and men; for the control and suppression thereof if within the state; for the quarantine and disinfection of persons, localities and things infected or suspected of being infected by such diseases; for the transportation of dead bodies when death results from any infectious or contagious disease; for the speedy and private interment of the bodies of persons who have died from said diseases; and, in emergency, for providing those sick with said diseases with necessary medical aid and with temporary hospitals for their accommodation and for the accommodation of their nurses and attendants. And the said board may de-

clare any and all of its rules and regulations made in accordance with the provisions of this section to be in force within the whole state, or within any specified part thereof, and to apply to any person or persons, family, camp, building, vessel, railway car or public vehicle of any kind.'

Approved March 11, 1909.

Chapter 49.

An Act to exempt certain Public Bonds from Taxation.

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

Section 1. All bonds issued after the first day of February nineteen hundred and nine, by the state of Maine, or any county, municipality, village corporation or water district therein, shall be exempt from taxation.

Bonds exempt from taxation.

Section 2. Section fifty-four of chapter eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "bonds," in the sixth line thereof, the words 'all bonds issued after the first day of February nineteen hundred and nine by the state of Maine, or any county, municipality, village corporation or water district therein,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 54, chapter 8, R. S., amended.

'Section 54. The board of state assessors shall thereupon determine the values of the several franchises of the said banks and institutions according to the following rule; from the average amount of deposits, reserve fund and undivided profits so returned by each bank or institution there shall in each case be deducted an amount equal to the value so determined of United States bonds, all bonds issued after the first day of February nineteen hundred and nine by the state of Maine, or any county, municipality, village corporation or water district therein, the shares of corporation stocks such as are by law of this state free from taxation to the stockholders, and the assessed value of real estate owned by the bank or institution, and also an amount equal to two-fifths of the value so determined of such other assets, loans and investments as by such statement appear to be loans to persons resident or corporations located and doing business in this state, investments in mortgages on real estate in this state, securities of this state, public or private, bonds issued by corporations located and doing business in this state or guaranteed by such corporations, provided, the corporations issuing such bonds be operated by and

State assessors shall determine value of the several franchises. —rule for determining.