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cover back in whole or in part from such corporation, district or person any sums paid for service prior to the filing of his application for inspection.

Fees how disposed of.

Section 6. All fees collected by the city or town clerk or treasurer shall be placed to the credit of the city or town to be used for municipal purposes.

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 182.

An Act to amend Section thirteen of Chapter one hundred thirty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Detectives.

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

Section thirteen of chapter one hundred thirty-one of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "twenty" in the second line, and inserting in place thereof the word 'twenty-five,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 13, chapter 131, R. S., amended.

'Section 13. The governor with the advice of the council, may license not exceeding twenty-five private detectives, for the detection, prevention and punishment of crime, to serve for the term of four years, unless such license is sooner revoked for cause. Each person so licensed shall give bond with two sureties, approved by the governor and council, conditioned for the proper discharge of the services which he may perform by virtue of such license; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to confer on any person so licensed, any of the power and authority of sheriffs or police officers, except in cases of felonies and offenses under chapters one hundred and twenty-one and one hundred and twenty-six.'

Private detectives, appointment.

—bond.

—powers.

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 183.

An Act to amend Section nineteen of Chapter fifty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to Towns receiving devises and gifts for Public Libraries.

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

Section nineteen of chapter fifty-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "combined" in the fifth line of said section the words, 'Any town, as such, may receive, hold and manage devises, bequests or gifts for the

Section 19, chapter 57, R. S., amended.

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establishment, increase or maintenance of public parks and play-grounds in such town; and may accept by vote of the legal voters thereof, any land in such town to be used as a public park or play-ground, or both combined,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Towns may receive devises and gifts for public libraries.
—may accept lands and buildings.
—may receive devises and gifts for public parks and play-grounds.

'Section 19. Any town, as such, may receive, hold and manage devises, bequests or gifts for the establishment, increase or maintenance of a public library therein; and may accept by vote of the legal voters thereof, any land or land and buildings thereon, to be used as a public library or art gallery, or both combined. Any town, as such, may receive, hold and manage devises, bequests or gifts for the establishment, increase or maintenance of public parks and play-grounds in such town; and may accept by vote of the legal voters thereof, any land in such town to be used as a public park or play-ground, or both combined. When any plantation is incorporated into a town, such gifts and the proceeds thereof fully vest in such town.'

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 184.

An Act in relation to exceptions and appeal in Criminal Cases.

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

Section 27,
chapter
135, R. S.,
amended.

Section twenty-seven of chapter one hundred and thirty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following words:

Appeal for
new trial in
cases of
felony.

'But in all other criminal cases amounting to a felony, where like motion is filed and appeal taken to the law court the concurrence of a majority of the justices shall be necessary to grant such motion and sentence shall be imposed upon conviction, either by verdict or demurrer.'

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 185.

An Act in relation to Coroners and Coroners' Inquests.

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

Section 11,
chapter
140, R. S.,
amended.

Section I. Section eleven of chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "to the coroner," in the fourth line thereof; also by adding to said section the following: 'The word stranger shall be held to mean a person having no residence or place of abode in this state; but such word shall not apply to persons