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public any goods, wares, merchandise or other commodities, or for public weighing, conducting such inspection and test with as little interruption as possible to the prosecution of business; and if he finds any such weights, measures or balances inaccurate or defective he shall forthwith cause the same to be corrected or condemned. He shall cause the provisions of the statutes pertaining to weights and measures to be enforced, and for this purpose he shall have all the power and authority conferred upon the sealers of weights and measures in cities and towns, and shall have general supervision of all weights and measures in use in the state.

Section 3. The state sealer shall keep a record in detail of the work of his office and shall annually, on or before the first day of December, make a written report of the work and the expenses of his office to the governor and council.

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—If defective shall be corrected or condemned.

Shall keep a record and report annually to governor and council.

Approved March 23, 1911.

Chapter 83.

An Act relating to the Solemnization of Marriages.

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

Section 1. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, may appoint women, otherwise eligible under the constitution, to solemnize marriages.

Appointment of women to solemnize marriages.

Section 2. Women so appointed shall have the same rights and obligations in the solemnization of marriages as are had by justices of the peace.

Rights and obligations.

Approved March 23, 1911.

Chapter 84.

An Act to amend Sections six, seven and eleven of Chapter fifteen of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and seven relating to the Protection of Trees and Shrubs from the introduction and ravages of dangerous insects and diseases, as amended by Chapter thirty-four of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and nine.

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

Section 1. Section six of chapter fifteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seven, as amended by chapter thirty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nine, is hereby amended by adding after the word "stock" at the close of the first sentence, the following: 'Such application shall be accompanied by a fee of ten dollars;' by striking out the word "fined"

Section 6, chapter 15, public laws 1907, as amended by chapter 34, public laws 1909, further amended.

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in the thirteenth line of said section and substituting therefor 'punishable by a fine of;' and also by striking out in the last line of said section the words, "also strawberry plants," so that the section as amended shall read:

Agents shall be licensed.

'Section 6. Agents or other parties excepting growers who wish to sell nursery stock shall make application for an agent's license and shall file with the state entomologist the names and addresses of nurseries or parties from whom they purchase their stock. Such application shall be accompanied by a fee of ten dollars. On receipt of such application the state entomologist shall issue an agent's license valid for one year in such form and with such provisions as the commissioner of agriculture may prescribe. Such license may be revoked at any time for failure to report names and addresses of nurseries from which stock is purchased or for such other causes as may in the opinion of the commissioner of agriculture be deemed sufficient. Any violation of this requirement shall be punishable by a fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each offence.

—license fee.

—license may be revoked.

—fine for violation.

—definition of term nursery stock.

'For the purpose of this act the term nursery stock is hereby applied to all fruit and ornamental trees, shrubs and vines, and includes currant, gooseberry, blackberry and raspberry bushes.'

Section 7, chapter 15, as amended by section 4, chapter 34, public laws 1909, further amended.

Section 2. Section seven of said chapter fifteen, as amended by section four of chapter thirty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nine, is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence of the first paragraph of said section seven, as amended, namely, by striking out the words "If the amount thus expended during one full year shall exceed one-twentieth of one per cent of the tax valuation of said city or town, then the city or town shall be reimbursed according to section eleven:" and by striking out the last sentence of the third paragraph of said section seven as amended, namely, by striking out the words "If the expense incurred by the town in the performance of the above named duties shall exceed the last above named amount, the town shall be reimbursed by the commissioner of agriculture by an amount equal to this excess, providing the work has been done according to the provisions of this act."

Section 11, chapter 15, public laws 1907, as amended by section 6, chapter 34, public laws 1909, repealed.

Section 3. Section eleven of said chapter fifteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seven, as amended by section six of said chapter thirty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nine is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Section 11. Selectmen of towns and the municipal officers of cities shall, before the first day of June of each year, cut, burn and destroy all dead or worthless apple trees, and all wild cherry trees within the limits of the public ways, streets and parks of their respective towns and cities. For neglect or failure to perform the aforesaid duties each of such officers shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars.'

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Municipal officers shall destroy worthless apple and cherry trees along highways.
—fine for neglect of duty.

Approved March 23, 1911.

Chapter 85.

An Act to amend Section twelve of Chapter fifty-three of the Revised Statutes, relative to locations for Street Railroads.

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

Section twelve of chapter fifty-three of the revised statutes is hereby amended so that the same shall read as follows:

'Section 12. Such corporation may purchase or take and hold by its location aforesaid as for public uses, land outside of the limits of streets, roads or ways, and all materials in and around it for the location, construction and convenient use of its road, whenever for any reason it appears that the public service of said corporation would be thereby better performed, but the land so taken shall not exceed four rods in width unless necessary for excavation, embankments or materials. No location outside of the limits of any street, road or way shall be approved by said commissioners unless it appears that the public service of said corporation would be thereby better performed. All damages for land and materials so taken shall be determined and paid in the manner and under proceedings as provided in case of lands taken for steam railroads.'

Corporations may take land outside of streets and ways.

—not to exceed four rods in width.

—damages, how determined.

Approved March 22, 1911.

Chapter 86.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter ninety-three of the Revised Statutes relating to the recording of personal property, mortgages and sales.

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

Section one of chapter ninety-three of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words 'provided there be a town or plantation in the county organized as aforesaid adjoining such unorganized place, and if there be no such town or plantation organized as aforesaid in the

Section 1, chapter 93, R. S. amended.