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of the engrossed bill the words 'or place or deposit such refuse or waste, slabs, edgings, sawdust, chips, bark or other mill waste,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Throwing mill waste, etc., into Baskahegan stream, or depositing same on banks, prohibited.

'Section 1. No person shall cast or throw into the Baskahegan stream, in the town of Danforth in the county of Washington, or otherwise deposit therein, or allow the same to be done by any person in his employ, refuse or waste of any kind or description, or slabs, edgings, sawdust, chips, bark or other mill waste, or place or deposit such refuse or waste, slabs, edgings, sawdust, chips, bark or other mill waste along or upon the banks of said Baskahegan stream in such a manner that the same shall fall or be washed into said stream; provided, however, this act shall not apply to properly constructed sewers or drains entering said stream.'

—proviso.

Approved March 28, 1911.

Chapter 234.

An Act to extend the charter and rights of the Penobscot Bay Railroad Company.

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

Charter extended.

That the charter, rights, privileges and franchises of the Penobscot Bay Railroad Company, a corporation organized under chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, and the time for performing by said corporation the various acts provided for in said chapter, shall not lapse on account of anything in said chapter contained, and the same is hereby extended for a period of two years from the time when this act shall take effect.

Approved March 28, 1911.

Chapter 235.

An Act to amend Chapter six hundred and twenty-five of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to a Police Commission in the City of Biddeford.

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

Section 1, chapter 625, amended.

Section 1. Section one of chapter six hundred and twenty-five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and enacting in place thereof the following:

Board of Police for the city of Biddeford, election of.

'Section 1. At any regular election which may be held in the city of Biddeford not less than forty days nor more than ninety days after this act shall take effect, and, in case of no regular election within that time, at a special election to be

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called within that time for the purpose herein provided, there shall be elected by plurality vote three citizens of said Biddeford who shall constitute a board of police of said city of Biddeford in place of the present board of police, and who shall be sworn before entering upon the duties of their office; all nominations shall be made and elections held under the laws which govern the nomination and election of mayor in said city of Biddeford. Said members of said board shall serve from the time of their election and qualification for terms which shall terminate one, two and three years, respectively, as shall be designated at the time of their election, from the third Monday of March next succeeding such election; thereafter, their successors shall be elected for the term of three years each at the annual election next preceding the expiration of the term. Vacancies shall be temporarily filled by the municipal officers of said city; members so chosen shall hold office until the third Monday of March following their election and at the next annual municipal election occurring after such vacancy exists, some citizen shall be elected to serve during the remainder of the term. The board shall annually elect one of their number chairman. The board shall annually appoint one of their number clerk who shall be sworn and shall keep a record of all proceedings, issue all notices and attest all such papers and orders as the board directs.

—nomination and election.

—tenure.

—vacancies, how filled.

—chairman.

—clerk.

Section 2. Section four of said chapter six hundred and twenty-five is hereby amended by striking out the words, "appointed by the governor," in the second line thereof, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 4, chapter 625, amended.

'Section 4. The salaries of the members of said board shall be voted annually by the municipal officers of said city and paid quarterly from the treasury thereof, but the salary of any member of said board shall not be diminished during the term of his appointment. Said board of police shall be provided with such rooms as shall be convenient and suitable for the performance of its duties by said city and at its expense. The said city shall provide all suitable accommodations for the police of said city as said board shall require. All rooms in all buildings and all property used by said police, shall be under the control of said board of police. All expenses for the maintenance of said rooms, the pay of the police and all incidental expenses incurred in the administration of said police, shall be paid by said city upon the requisition of said board. But no such expenses shall be paid by said city until the bills therefor shall have been audited by the city auditor, approved by a majority of said board of police and allowed by the city coun-

Salaries.

—board shall be provided with suitable rooms.

—bills shall be audited.

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—compensation of police.

cil's committee on accounts. When thus audited, approved and allowed, the mayor of said city shall draw his warrant for the payment of such expenses. The compensation of the police in said city shall not be diminished below the amount paid said police for and during the year eighteen hundred ninety-two, without the consent of said board of police.'

Fees, how taxed.

Section 3. The fees of the chief of police, captain of police, and all other police officers of said city in criminal cases prosecuted in the municipal court of the city of Biddeford, including their fees as witnesses, shall be taxed and allowed as in behalf of the sheriffs of the county of York, and seventy-five per cent. of the criminal costs and fees in said municipal court, exclusive of the fees of witnesses other than police officers, shall be paid annually by the treasurer of said county to the city of Biddeford, provided, however, that when said percentage exceeds the annual salary or compensation of the chief of police, and captain of police of said city, the excess amount shall not be paid to said city, but shall be covered into the treasury of said county of York. Police officers may retain for their own use all fees received by them in civil cases. Neither the chief of police, captain of police, nor any other police officer of said city shall receive from any respondent in any criminal case any money, fine or costs, but in all such cases such fines and costs shall be paid to the judge issuing the precept against such respondent, but fees taxed and allowed to the officers for attendance as witnesses in any criminal case before the appellate court, or before any court held in some town other than the one in which such officers reside, shall be paid to them from the county treasury. The expenses of any such officer necessarily and reasonably incurred and actually disbursed in the services of any criminal precept shall be allowed and paid to him by the treasurer of said county upon his filing an itemized account thereof, under oath, accompanied by proper vouchers thereof.

—proviso.

Section 6, chapter 625, amended.

Section 4. Section six of said chapter six hundred and twenty-five is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and enacting in place thereof the following:

Annual report.

'Section 6. Said board of police shall make a report of its doings annually to the city council at the close of the fiscal year.'

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Section 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved March 29, 1911.