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OF THE

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STATE OF MAINE

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CHAP. 195 to be taken or acquired by private corporations, they shall charge three dollars a day and actual traveling expenses, and certify the same in a bill of items to the county attorney, who shall collect the sums so charged of the party seeking to exercise the right of eminent domain, and forthwith pay the same to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall pay to said commissioners actual travelling expenses aforesaid when collected by the county attorney.'

Approved April 9, 1913.

Chapter 195.

An Act to Amend Section Eighty-eight of Chapter Fifteen of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Forty-eight of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Five, as Amended by Chapter Forty-eight of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Seven, as Amended by Chapter One Hundred Ninety of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Nine, as Amended by Chapter Twenty-three of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Eleven, Relating to School Holidays.

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

Section 88
of chapter
15, R. S.,
as amended,
further
amended.

Section eighty-eight of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter forty-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred five, as amended by chapter forty-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred seven, as amended by chapter one hundred ninety of the public laws of nineteen hundred nine, as amended by chapter twenty-three of the public laws of nineteen hundred eleven, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "New Year's day, January one" in the second line thereof and by inserting after the word "council" in the eighth line thereof the words 'and provided, further, that Lincoln day shall be observed by devoting some part of the day to the study of the life and character of Abraham Lincoln' and by striking out the words "on the days above mentioned" in the thirteenth line thereof and by striking out the words "upon those days" in the fourteenth line thereof and substituting in place thereof the words 'on any of the following days: Patriot's day, April nineteen; Memorial day, May thirty; Independence day, July four; Labor day, first Monday in September; Christmas day, December twenty-five; Thanksgiving day, as appointed by the governor and council' and by striking out all of said section after the word "named" in the seventeenth line thereof and substituting in place thereof the following: 'in addition to the foregoing each of the days hereinafter named shall, upon vote of the superintending school committee of any town, be observed by teachers and pupils of the public schools of said town by an exercise appropriate there-

to, such exercise to be held during such part of the school session as the teacher of each school may designate. The exercises so held shall aim to impress on the minds of the youth the important lessons of character and good citizenship to be learned from the lives of American leaders and heroes and from a contemplation of their own duties and obligations to the community, state and nation of which they constitute a part. In the absence of any vote of the superintending school committee said days, hereinafter designated, shall be observed as legal school holidays with the closing of schools. The days thus designated for school observance upon vote of the superintending school committee of any town shall be as follows: Washington's birthday, February twenty-two; Columbus day, October twelve,' so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 88. The following days shall be observed as school holidays, namely: Washington's birthday, February twenty-two; Patriot's day, April nineteen; Memorial day, May thirty; Independence day, July four; Labor day, first Monday in September; Columbus day, October twelve; Christmas day, December twenty-five; Thanksgiving and Arbor day, as appointed by the governor and council. Provided, however, that Arbor day, shall not be recognized as a school holiday unless observed by teacher and pupils for the purpose for which it is designated by the governor and council. And provided, further, that Lincoln day shall be observed by devoting some part of the day to the study of the life and character of Abraham Lincoln. All teachers of public schools in the state may close their schools and draw pay the same as if their schools had been in session on any of the following days: Patriot's day, April nineteen; Memorial day, May thirty; Independence day, July four; Labor day, first Monday in September; Christmas day, December twenty-five; Thanksgiving day, as appointed by the governor and council. When any one of the above named holidays falls on a Sunday, the Monday following shall be observed as a school holiday, with all the privileges applying to any of the days above named. In addition to the foregoing each of the days hereinafter named shall, upon vote of the superintending school committee of any town, be observed by teachers and pupils of the public schools of said town by an exercise appropriate thereto, such exercise to be held during such part of the school session as the teacher of each school may designate. The exercises so held shall aim to impress on the minds of the youth the important lessons of character and good citizenship to be learned from the lives of American leaders and heroes and from a contemplation of their own duties and obligations

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—arbor day not a holiday unless observed for purpose designated.

—Lincoln day not a holiday unless observed in manner provided.

—holidays when schools may be closed and teachers may draw pay.

—when holiday falls on Sunday, Monday may be observed.

—exercises in schools hereinafter named.

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—Washington's birthday, and Columbus day.

to the community, state and nation of which they constitute a part. In the absence of any vote of the superintending school committee said days, hereinafter designated, shall be observed as legal school holidays with the closing of schools. The days thus designated for school observance upon vote of the superintending school committee of any town shall be as follows: Washington's birthday, February twenty-two; Columbus day, October twelve.'

Approved April 9, 1913.

Chapter 196.

An Act Creating a State Board of Charities and Corrections and Prescribing the Powers and Duties Thereof.

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

State Board of Charities and Corrections.

—expenses without compensation.

—terms of members of board.

—vacancies, how filled.

—board shall be non-partisan.

—officers of board.

—rules governing state institutions must be approved by the board.

Secretary, qualifications of.

—salary of secretary.

Section 1. The governor, by and with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint five persons, at least one of whom shall be a woman, who shall constitute a State Board of Charities and Corrections, to serve without compensation, except their travelling and other necessary expenses which shall be audited by the state auditor and paid by the state treasurer upon the certificate of the state auditor issued therefor, as provided by law. One of these persons, as selected by the governor upon the first appointment, shall serve for five years, one for four years, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year, and upon the expiration of the terms of each, his or her successor shall in like manner be appointed for the term of five years. Any vacancy arising before the expiration of a term of office shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the residue of the term. The board shall be non-partisan politically. Regular meetings of the board shall be held quarterly, or oftener, if required, and a suitable room shall be provided in the state house for its use. The board may elect a president, appoint a secretary and agents, all subject to approval and removal by the governor, and make such rules and orders for the regulation of its proceedings as it may deem necessary. All rules and regulations governing the administration of state institutions must be approved by the state board, and no superintendent, agent or other under-official shall have any discretionary power to change such rules and regulations.

Section 2. The board shall appoint a secretary, who shall not be chosen from their own number and who shall be qualified by special knowledge and experience in charitable, correctional and institutional work, and who shall receive for his