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Chapter 157.

An Act to Amend Sections Seventy and Seventy-one of Chapter Fifty-seven of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Disorderly Conduct on Railroad, Steamboat or Ferry Property, and Authorizing Employees to Arrest such Offenders.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 70 and § 71, relating to penalty for disorderly conduct on public conveyance, and authority of officer in charge, repealed. Sections seventy and seventy-one of chapter fifty-seven of the revised statutes are hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 70. Penalty for entering upon or loitering about property of railroads, steamboats and ferries. Any person in a state of intoxication and not in the custody of an officer who enters or remains in or on or loiters about the rolling stock, stations, station grounds, waiting rooms, platforms or yards of any steam or street railroad or the right of way, bridges or tracks of any steam railroad or the boats, wharves, or ships of any steamboat or ferry company, and any person who behaves in a disorderly or riotous manner or drinks intoxicating liquors or uses indecent or profane language in any such place, car or boat, is guilty of a breach of the peace and shall be fined not less than five nor more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned in jail not less than thirty days nor more than one year, in addition to any other penalty provided by law.'

'Sec. 71. Persons in charge may arrest violators of provisions of preceding section. Duty imposed upon sheriffs and police officers. Any person or persons in charge of the property mentioned in the preceding section and any person or persons thereunto authorized or called upon by such person or persons in charge of said property may refuse to permit any person in a state of intoxication and not in the custody of an officer to enter said premises or property and may eject in a reasonable manner and at reasonable places any person found violating the preceding section and may arrest and temporarily hold any person found violating the provisions of the preceding section until a warrant can be obtained or he can be placed in the custody of the proper officers of the law. It shall be the duty of every sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, city or deputy marshal or police officer to arrest, and detain until a legal warrant can be obtained, any person found violating the provisions of the preceding section.'

Approved April 3, 1917.

Chapter 158.

An Act to Amend Section Ten of Chapter One Hundred Two of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Discharge from Imprisonment in Bastardy Cases.

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

R. S., c. 102, § 10, relating to discharge from jail of father of bastard child, amended. Section ten of chapter one hundred two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "ninety days" in the

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second line thereof and substituting therefor the words 'six months', so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 10. Must remain in jail six months before being liberated by taking poor debtor's oath. When the father of such bastard child has remained for six months in jail, without being able to comply with the order of the court, he may be liberated by taking the poor debtor's oath, as persons committed on execution; but he shall give fifteen days' notice of his intention to do so, to the mother, if living, and to the clerk of the town where the child has its legal settlement, if in the state. The mother and said town may, after such liberation, recover of him by action of debt any sum of money, which ought to have been paid pursuant to the order of the court.'

Approved April 3, 1917.

Chapter 159.

An Act Prohibiting the Sale of Diseased or Disabled Horses.

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

Sec. 1. Sale of diseased horses illegal. It shall be unlawful for any person holding an auctioneer's license to receive or offer for sale or to sell at public auction, or for any person to sell at private sale, any horse which by reason of debility, disease or lameness or for other cause, could not be worked in this state without violating the laws against cruelty to animals, but this section shall not be construed to prohibit the sale to, and the purchase of animals by, humane societies incorporated under the laws of this state for the purpose of humanely killing the same.

Sec. 2. Penalty for violation. Any licensed auctioneer violating any provision of this act shall forfeit his license, and any person violating any provision of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than six months.

Approved April 3, 1917.

Chapter 160.

An Act to Amend Chapter Thirty-five of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 35, § 1, relating to office of live stock sanitary commissioner, amended. Section one of chapter thirty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out that part of the section beginning at and including the word "and" in the twelfth line so that said section as amended shall read as follows: