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ister in a book or upon suitable index cards to be kept for the purpose, the motor vehicle described in the application, giving to the owner of such motor vehicle a distinguishing number or other mark, and shall thereupon issue to the applicant a certificate of registration which shall contain the name, place of residence and address of the applicant and the registered number or mark, shall prescribe the manner in which said registered number or mark shall be inscribed or displayed on the motor vehicle, and shall be in such form as the secretary may determine. The secretary of state shall also furnish the applicant two enameled iron plates, containing the word "Maine" in letters not less than one inch in height, and the number of the registration in Arabic numerals not less than four inches in height. The number plates must be attached to the front and rear of the automobiles, auto trucks and traction engines. Motor cycles will be provided with a registration seal or other distinguishing mark as may be determined by the secretary of state. The number for motor cycles must be so placed as to be always plainly visible. A proper record of all applications for registration and of all certificates issued shall be kept by the secretary of state in his office and shall be open to the inspection of any person during reasonable hours. The certificate of registration shall always be carried on the person or in some easily accessible place in or about the motor vehicle. Upon the sale of any motor vehicle, registration shall expire and the vendor shall immediately return the certificate of registration to the secretary of state, with notice of sale and the name, place of residence and address of the vendee. Registration plates, seal or other distinguishing mark for automobiles, motor cycles and traction engines shall be furnished free from the office of the secretary of state. The express charge for delivery of registration plates shall be paid by the receiver. Plates lost or mutilated may be replaced for seventy-five cents each.

A motor cycle that has been registered in accordance with this section may be operated by the owner of such motor cycle without a license and the certificate of registration shall be evidence of the right to operate.'

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Chapter 235.

An Act to Amend Sections Ten, Seventeen and Eighteen of Chapter Thirty-five of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Importation of Horses and Cattle and also the Testing of Pure Blooded Cattle to be Sold for Breeding Purposes.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 35, § 10, relating to horses permitted to be shipped into state, amended. Section ten of chapter thirty-five of the revised statutes is amended by inserting in the sixth line of said section the words 'or the live stock sanitary commissioner may accept a certificate of health showing satisfactory mallein test or physical examination made by an inspector of the bureau of animal industry of the United States or by a veterinarian whose certificate is approved by the state official having authority to approve same under the laws of the state from which the animal is shipped,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Sec. 10. Commissioner may accept certificate of United States inspector, or approved veterinarian. Any person or persons bringing horses into the state must have a permit and shall notify the live stock sanitary commissioner within forty-eight hours after their arrival; the commissioner shall at once cause the same to be examined by a physical examination, or to be tested with mallein or cause the blood test to be used at the expense of the owner, or the live stock sanitary commissioner may accept a certificate of health showing satisfactory mallein test or physical examination made by an inspector of the bureau of animal industry of the United States or by a veterinarian whose certificate is approved by the state official having authority to approve same under the laws of the state from which the animal is shipped. If an animal is found to be glandered no compensation shall be allowed. No permit or examination will be required for horses used in circuses and to perform on the stage. Whoever violates this section shall be punished by a fine as provided in section seventeen.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 35, § 17, relating to physical test of pure blooded cattle, amended. Section seventeen of chapter thirty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the ninth line the words "one year" and inserting in place therefor 'six months', so that said section shall read as follows:

Sec. 17. Age of calves changed from one year to six months. All persons selling pure blooded cattle, or cattle represented to be pure blooded, for breeding purposes, shall before delivery, make a report to the live stock sanitary commissioner upon blanks furnished by him upon application, stating the number of cattle sold, the age and sex, and to whom sold; before delivery, such cattle shall be tested with tuberculin under the direction of, and a certificate of health given by the live stock sanitary commissioner, unless such a test has been carried out under his direction within one year; but this provision shall not apply to calves less than six months old. Such certificate of health shall be delivered to the buyer by the seller. Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five, or more than fifty dollars for each offense.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 35, § 18, relating to permit required for cattle entering state, amended. Section eighteen of chapter thirty-five of the revised statutes is amended by striking out in the seventh line of said section the words "regardless of any other test made," and inserting in the ninth line of said section the words 'or the live stock sanitary commissioner may accept a certificate of health showing satisfactory tuberculin test made by an inspector of the bureau of animal industry of the United States or by a veterinarian whose certificate is approved by the state official having authority to approve same under the laws of the state from which the animal is shipped,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Sec. 18. Commissioner may accept certificate of United States inspector, or approved veterinarian. No neat stock, (calves, cows, steers, oxen or bulls,) or stags of any age, shall be allowed to enter this state, from any other state or country, either for dairying purposes, breeding purposes or for slaughter, except cattle in transit under the control of the federal gov-

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ernment, without a permit duly authorized by the live stock sanitary commissioner, which permit shall accompany the shipment. Such animals shall be tested with tuberculin within thirty days of their arrival, and shall be held in quarantine upon the premises of the owner, until released by the live stock sanitary commissioner, or the live stock sanitary commissioner may accept a certificate of health showing satisfactory tuberculin test made by an inspector of the bureau of animal industry of the United States or by a veterinarian whose certificate is approved by the state official having authority to approve same under the laws of the state from which the animal is shipped. Whoever violates any provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine as provided in section seventeen.'

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Chapter 236.

An Act to Amend Paragraph Ten of Section Forty-five of Chapter One Hundred Seventeen of the Revised Statutes, Increasing the Clerk Hire in the Oxford County Registry of Probate.

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

R. S., c. 117, § 45, relating to clerk hire in county offices, amended. Paragraph ten of section forty-five of chapter one hundred seventeen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "two hundred" after the word "probate" in the second line of said paragraph and inserting in place thereof the words 'two hundred and fifty,' so that said paragraph ten of said section forty-five of chapter one hundred and seventeen as amended shall read as follows :

'Clerk hire in office of Oxford county register of probate increased to \$250. Oxford county ; for clerks in the office of register of deeds, six hundred dollars ; for clerks in the office of register of probate, two hundred and fifty dollars ; for clerks in the office of clerk of courts, two hundred dollars.'

Approved April 7, 1917.

Chapter 237.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty of Chapter Five of the Revised Statutes Relating to the Registration of Voters.

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

R. S., c. 5, § 20, relating to proceedings before boards of registration in case of challenge, amended. Section twenty of chapter five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "they," the first word in the fifth line of section twenty, and inserting in its place the words 'the board or any member thereof ;' and by striking out the words "selected by the board" in the seventh line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the