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amended by striking out the words "not having a seal" after the words "notary public" and before the word "a" in the twelfth line thereof, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 23. When acknowledgments taken outside state, authority of notary public to be authenticated whether he has a seal or not. Deeds shall be acknowledged by the grantors, or one of them, or by their attorney executing the same, before a justice of the peace, or notary public having a seal, or women otherwise eligible under the constitution and appointed for the purpose by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, in the state; or any clerk of a court of record having a seal, notary public, justice of the peace, or commissioner appointed by the governor of this state for the purpose, within the United States; or before a minister or consul of the United States or notary public in any foreign country. The seal of such court or the official seal of such notary if he have one, shall be affixed to the certificate of acknowledgment, but if such acknowledgment is taken outside the State of Maine before a justice of the peace, or notary public, a certificate under seal from the secretary of state, or clerk of a court of record in the county where the officer resides or took the acknowledgment, authenticating the authority of the officer taking such acknowledgment, and the genuineness of his signature, must be annexed thereto.'

Approved February 27, 1919. *

Chapter 15.

An Act to Amend Sections Twenty and Twenty-one of Chapter Eight of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Sixty-one of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to Moneys Received from the Sale of Timber and Grass on Reserved Lands.

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

Sec. 1, R. S., c. 8, § 20; 1917, c. 261, § 1; relating to interest on school fund derived from sale of timber and grass on reserved lands, amended. Section twenty of chapter eight of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixty-one of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby further amended by striking out all of said section, after the word "purposes" in the sixth line thereof and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Upon the first fund to be known as the unorganized townships fund, the state shall allow interest annually at four per cent, the income from said fund, after the expenditures provided by sections one hundred and fifteen and one hundred and sixteen of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes, shall be added to the school equalization fund; upon the second fund to be known as the organized townships fund the state shall allow interest annually at six per cent, the income from

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said fund to be dealt with as provided in the following section,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 20. Interest on organized townships fund increased from four to six per cent. The money arising from the sale of timber and grass or from trespasses on reserved lands, paid into the treasury of the county in which the township is situated, or into the state treasury shall be held by the state treasurer in two separate funds, the income of which only shall be expended and applied as is by law provided for school purposes. Upon the first fund to be known as the unorganized townships fund, the state shall allow interest annually at four per cent, the income from said fund, after the expenditures provided by sections one hundred and fifteen and one hundred and sixteen of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes, shall be added to the school equalization fund; upon the second fund to be known as the organized townships fund, the state shall allow interest annually at six per cent, the income from said fund to be dealt with as provided in the following section.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 8, § 21; 1917, c. 261; relating to disposition of organized township school fund when township is organized. Section twenty-one of chapter eight of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixty-one of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "four" in the thirteenth line thereof and inserting in place thereof the word 'six,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 21. Interest to be paid to treasurer of plantation at rate of six per cent annually. The income of the organized townships fund as provided in the preceding section shall be added to the principal of the funds, respectively, until the inhabitants of such township or tract are incorporated into a town or organized as a plantation, and establish in such plantation one or more schools, and until the first day of January next preceding the date upon which the treasurer of said plantation shall call for such interest, unless previously expended according to law. When any such township is incorporated as a town, said funds belonging to it shall be paid by the treasurer of state to the treasurer of the trustees of the ministerial and school funds therein, to be added to the funds of that corporation, and held and managed as other school funds of that town are required to be held and managed. If such township or tract is organized as a plantation, the interest of said fund at six per cent shall be paid annually by the treasurer of state to the treasurer of such plantation to be applied toward the support of schools according to the number of scholars in each school. Said interest shall be cast up to the first day of each January, by the treasurer of state. The state superintendent of public schools shall file a list of such plantations with the amount due for interest for the preceding year according to a record of such amounts to

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be furnished to him by the treasurer of state, in the office of the state auditor, who shall thereupon insert the name and amount due such plantations in the first warrant drawn in that year. The state superintendent of public schools shall be satisfied that all such plantations are organized, and that schools have been established therein according to law, that assessors are sworn and qualified, and that the treasurers of such plantations have given bonds as required by law.'

Approved February 27, 1919.

Chapter 16.

An Act Amendatory of and Additional to Section Twenty-seven of Chapter Eighty-four of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Examination of Applicants for Admission to the Bar.

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

R. S., c. 84, § 27; relating to qualifications of applicants for admission to the bar, amended. That section twenty-seven of chapter eighty-four of the revised statutes be, and hereby is, amended by inserting after the word "examination" in the sixth line of said section, the following: 'except any applicant, who has served the United States in the army or navy as an enlisted or drafted man, in the war with Germany and Austria, who has received an honorable discharge, and who at the time of his enlistment, or when he was drafted, was engaged in the study of law, shall be required to have pursued the study of law in the office of some attorney or in some well recognized law school or university for at least two years prior to such examination,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 27. Honorably discharged soldiers or sailors who were pursuing study of law at time of entering service may take examination at end of two years' study. The residences and names of the applicants shall be made to appear to said board and satisfactory evidence shall also be produced by said applicants of their good moral character and of their having pursued the study of law in the office of some attorney or in some recognized law school or university for at least three years prior to such examination; except any applicant, who has served the United States in the army or navy as an enlisted or drafted man, in the war with Germany and Austria, who has received an honorable discharge, and who at the time of his enlistment, or when he was drafted, was engaged in the study of law, shall be required to have pursued the study of law in the office of some attorney or in some well recognized law school or university for at least two years prior to such examination; and a fee to be fixed by said board of not more than twenty dollars shall accompany the application. The applicant shall be required to submit to a written examination which