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laws of this state without having been first authorized to do so by the commission. Every assignment, transfer, contract or agreement for assignment or transfer of any stock by or through any person or corporation to any corporation or otherwise in violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be void and of no effect; and no such transfer shall be made on the books of any public utility. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the holding of stock heretofore lawfully acquired or to prevent the acquiring of additional stock by a public utility which now owns a majority of the stock of such other utility.'

Approved March 14, 1919.

## Chapter 66.

An Act to Amend Sections Three and Five of Chapter Thirty-seven of the Revised Statutes, Regulating the Sale of Milk.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 37, § 3; relating to the publication by commissioner of agriculture of results of analyses of milk and dairy products, amended.** Section three of chapter thirty-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "shall" in the second line thereof and inserting in its place the words 'may, in his discretion,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 3. Discretionary with commissioner as to publication of analyses.** The commissioner of agriculture may, in his discretion, publish the results of all analyses with the names of the persons, firms, corporations, associations and societies from which the samples analyzed were taken, together with such suggestions as he may deem advisable, in the regular or special bulletins issued by the department of agriculture. He may also, in his discretion, issue each month a report of the results of all analyses, for distribution to such newspapers in the state as may request a copy.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 37, § 5; relating to registration of milk dealers, amended.** Section five of chapter thirty-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "year" in the sixth line thereof the words 'apply to the commissioner of agriculture for registration', and by striking out the words "register with the commissioner of agriculture" in the sixth line thereof; also by inserting after the word "required" in the thirteenth line the words 'and upon being satisfied that all milk is being produced and handled in a sanitary way and is from cows free from disease'; also by inserting after the word "vehicle" in the eighteenth line thereof the words 'the commissioner may cancel the certificate of any dealer, who, after due hearing by the commissioner or his authorized agent, is found to be selling milk produced or handled under unsanitary conditions, or milk from diseased cows'; also by inserting after the word "section"

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in the twenty-seventh line, the words 'or to surrender his certificate to the commissioner when notified in writing that the same has been cancelled and the reason given for cancellation'; also by inserting after the word "cream" in the second line, as so amended, the words 'as a business;,' also by inserting after the word "hearing" in the twenty-second line, as so amended, the words 'on complaint', so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 5. Persons, firms, etc., dealing in milk or cream as a business to apply for registration on or before April 1st annually; commissioner may cancel registration after hearing on complaint by commissioner or agent when milk or cream handled in manner not sanitary or from diseased cows; penalty for refusing to surrender license when revoked.** Any person, firm, corporation, association or society who shall sell or deliver milk or cream as a business to any person from a wagon or other conveyance, depot or store, or who shall sell or deliver milk to a hotel, restaurant, boarding-house or any public place, shall be considered a milk dealer within the meaning of this section, and shall on or before the first day of April in each year, apply to the commissioner of agriculture for registration, furnishing such information as may be required, upon blanks issued and furnished by the commissioner to such persons as may request the same. Every such registration shall expire on the first day of April, next after its issue and shall be granted only to the milk dealer owning or leasing the vehicle or place from which sales or supplies are to be made, and shall not be transferred. Upon receipt of the application for registration, containing the information required, and upon being satisfied that all milk is being produced and handled in a sanitary way and is from cows free from disease, the commissioner shall issue to the applicant a certificate of registration, which certificate shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the store or depot from which sale or supply is made, and the number of the certificate of registration for each wagon or other vehicle shall be placed in a conspicuous place on said wagon or other vehicle. The commissioner may cancel the certificate of any dealer, who, after due hearing on complaint by the commissioner or his authorized agent, is found to be selling milk produced or handled under unsanitary conditions or milk from diseased cows. If any person, firm, corporation, association or society desires to become a milk dealer, as provided by this section, before the first day of April in any year, he or they shall, prior to engaging in the business, register with the commissioner of agriculture in the manner hereinbefore provided, for each place or vehicle from which sale or supply is to be made. Any dealer who neglects or refuses to register with the commissioner of agriculture, or to post certificates of registration in the store or depot from which sale or supply is made, or to post the number of the certificate of registration on the wagon or other vehicle from which

sale or supply is made, as provided in this section, or to surrender his certificate to the commissioner when notified in writing that the same has been cancelled, and the reason given for cancellation, forfeits fifty dollars to be recovered in an action of debt, to be prosecuted in the name of the state by the county attorney for the county in which such violation has occurred; but the provisions of this section shall not apply to milk or cream delivered to a creamery or butter or cheese factory.'

Approved March 17, 1919.

## Chapter 67.

An Act to Amend Section Three of Chapter One Hundred and Two of the Public Laws of Massachusetts of Eighteen Hundred and Nineteen, as Adopted by the State of Maine in Eighteen Hundred and Twenty and Amended by Section One of Chapter One Hundred and Fifty-two of the Public Laws of Maine of Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-three, Relating to Ministerial Funds in the Town of Bridgton.

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

Mass. 1819, c. 102, § 3, adopted by Me. 1820, 1823, c. 152, § 1; relating to ministerial funds in town of Bridgton, southern parish, amended. Section three of chapter one hundred and two of the public laws of Massachusetts of eighteen hundred and nineteen, as adopted by the State of Maine in eighteen hundred and twenty and amended by section one of chapter one hundred and fifty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and twenty-three, is hereby amended by striking out the words "and settled" in the tenth line of said section, and the words "and settled" in the nineteenth and twentieth lines and the words "be settled in said town or that the one settled shall not," in the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth lines thereof, so that said amended section, as hereby further amended, shall read as follows:

'**Sec. 3. Minister need not have settlement in parish.** Be it further enacted, that it shall be the duty of said trustees to receive said two thousand dollars, and the same to put out and loan on interest, or vest in bank stock, at their discretion; and to pay over, annually, the interest of said fund to a learned protestant minister, of the congregational order, duly and regularly ordained, and statedly preaching in a house for the public worship of God, which house shall always be located southerly of the fourteenth range of lots, in said town of Bridgton, and not elsewhere: Provided, always, that if said town of Bridgton should ever hereafter be divided into two or more towns, or parishes, or parts of two or more towns, or parishes, the interest aforesaid shall, in that case, be applied and expended for the support of a minister aforesaid, who shall be duly ordained and statedly preach in a meeting house, which shall be located within the limits of the now town of Bridgton, and to the southward of the twentieth range of lots in said town; and provided, also, that if it shall so happen that no such congregational minister shall regularly preach, for at least