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Chapter 166.

An Act to Provide for the Acceptance by the State of Gifts of Land and for the Establishment of a State Park and Forest within the State of Maine.

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

Sec. 1. Acceptance of gifts to state of land for park and forest purposes authorized. The state land agent and forest commissioner may, with the advice and consent of the governor and council, accept on the part of the state gifts of land for forest and park purposes. The title to lands acquired under this section shall be investigated and approved by the attorney general of the state.

Sec. 2. Purposes for which lands may be used; not to be sold; may be improved; revenue derived from to be used for improvement or further acquisition. The purpose of this acquisition of land is hereby declared to be the preservation of scenic beauty, facility for recreation as nearly unrestricted and general as is practicable by the people of this state and those whom they admit to the privilege, and the production of timber for watershed protection and as a crop. The lands acquired within the limits described in section one shall never be sold. They shall be protected from fire and damage from other sources in an efficient and economical way. They may be improved by roads and trails and also reforested under direction of the land agent and forest commissioner according to his best knowledge and judgment when funds are available for that purpose. Timber may be sold and camp sites leased by the state land agent and forest commissioner with the approval of the governor and council when in accordance with the purposes of this act as previously stated; no contract of either character to be for a term of more than five years. Revenues derived from these uses shall be paid to the state treasury by the said land agent and forest commissioner and constitute a fund to be applied to the care and improvement of these lands or to the acquisition of other lands for similar purposes.

Approved April 3, 1919.

Chapter 167.

An Act to Amend Section Thirty-two of Chapter Sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Probate Appeals.

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

R. S., c. 67, § 32, relating to appeals in probate courts, amended. Section thirty-two of chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

‘Sec. 32. Service to be made upon all parties who have entered appearance; service upon attorney sufficient when party whether resident or non-

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resident appears through attorney. Within the time limited for claiming an appeal, the appellant shall file, in the probate office, his bond to the adverse party, or to the judge of probate for the benefit of the adverse party, for such sum and with such sureties, as the judge approves; conditioned to prosecute his appeal with effect, and to pay all intervening costs and damages, and such costs as the supreme court taxes against him, and he shall also file in the probate office the reasons of appeal; and, fourteen days at least before the sitting of the appellate court, he shall serve all the parties who appeared before the judge of probate on the case that have entered or caused to be entered their appearance in the docket of said court, with a copy of such reasons, attested by the register. When a party appears by an attorney residing in this state before the judge of probate in any case, and an appeal is taken, the service of a copy of the reasons of appeal upon such attorney shall be sufficient. In case of controversy between a person under guardianship and his guardian, the supreme court may sustain an appeal on the part of the ward without such bond.'

Approved April 3, 1919.

Chapter 168.

An Act Additional to Chapter Eight of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Burning of Brush.

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

Slash or debris caused by cutting of wood or timber not to be burned without permit. Any person, firm, corporation or agent who cuts any wood or lumber within the woodlands of this state and desires to dispose of the slash and debris caused by such cutting or clearing by burning shall be first required to obtain a permit therefor in accordance with the provisions of section fifty-three of chapter eight of the revised statutes, and on failure thereof shall be subject to the penalty provided in said section.

Approved April 3, 1919.

Chapter 169.

An Act to Provide for the Support of Dependents of Soldiers, Sailors and Marines.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, suitable provision for the support of dependent members of families of soldiers, sailors and marines who have served in the army and naval forces of the United States or of this state since April first, nineteen hundred and seventeen, is immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, now therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Towns to raise money for relief of soldiers' and sailors' de-