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dollars when the journal of the senate is completed, and one hundred dollars when the index of papers is completed.

'The assistant secretary of the senate shall receive a salary of six hundred dollars; his work to be performed under the direction of the secretary.

'The messenger of the senate shall receive a salary of four hundred dollars; the assistant messenger, folder, assistant folder, postmaster and doorkeeper shall each receive a salary of three hundred dollars; the pages shall each receive a salary of one hundred fifty dollars; the official reporter shall receive a salary of one thousand dollars.

'All of the above officers shall work under the direction of the president of the senate. The above salaries shall be in full for all official services by them performed during the term for which they are chosen, and no other compensation shall be allowed them, except in case of an adjourned or special session of the legislature.'

Approved April 4, 1921.

Chapter 108.

An Act to Amend Section Fifty-five of Chapter Two Hundred and Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Forty-four of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, and by Chapter Sixty-two of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Relating to the Protection of Game Birds.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 55; 1917, c. 219, § 55 and 244; 1919, c. 62; relating to protection of game birds, amended. Section fifty-five of chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, as amended by chapter two hundred and forty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen and by chapter sixty-two of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and by substituting therefor the following section:

'Sec. 55. Special provision as to partridge and woodcock in Androscoggin, York, Cumberland, Sagadahoc, Knox, Lincoln, Waldo and Kennebec counties eliminated as obsolete; special provision on certain water birds in Merrymeeting Bay and towns adjacent; number of woodcock that may be killed in any one day decreased; only 25 partridge to be killed by any one person during open season; only six woodcock to be transported in any one day; penalty for violation increased. There shall be an annual closed season for ruffed grouse, commonly called partridge, spruce partridge, woodcock, all varieties of wild ducks, brant, geese, plover, snipe, sora and other rails,

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coots and gallinules, as follows: On partridge and woodcock, above-named, from the first day of December of each year to the thirtieth day of September of the following year, both days inclusive; during which closed season it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, chase, catch, kill, destroy or have in possession at any time any partridge or woodcock except as hereinafter provided. On all varieties of ducks, brant and geese and on coots, gallinules and jacksnipe, or Wilson snipe, from the first day of January of each year to the fifteenth day of the following September, both days inclusive; on black-breasted and golden plover and greater and lesser yellowlegs, from the first day of December of each year to the fifteenth day of August of the following year, both days inclusive; on rails (except coots and gallinules) from the first day of December of each year to the thirty-first day of August of the following year, both days inclusive; provided, however, that in Merrymeeting Bay, so-called, in the Counties of Cumberland, Sagadahoc and Lincoln, and in the towns adjacent thereto, the closed season on black-breasted and golden plover and greater and lesser yellowlegs shall be from the first day of December of each year to the fifteenth day of the following September, both days inclusive; during which closed seasons it shall be unlawful to hunt, chase, catch, kill or have in possession any of the above-named birds except as hereinafter provided; provided, further, that it shall be unlawful to hunt, chase, catch, kill or destroy or have in possession at any time, any curlew, wood duck, swans, or any shore birds except black-breasted and golden plover, Wilson or jacksnipe, woodcock, and greater or lesser yellowlegs; and no person shall, during the respective open seasons for the above-named birds, take, catch, kill, destroy or have in possession in any one day more than five partridge or ruffed grouse, six woodcock, ten ducks, five plover and ten snipe; provided, further, that no person shall take, catch, kill, destroy or have in possession in any one open season for partridge or ruffed grouse more than twenty-five of said birds; nor shall any person at any time buy or sell any of the above-named birds; nor shall any person or corporation carry or transport from place to place any of the birds mentioned in this section in closed season (except that a person shall have a reasonable time after the beginning of closed season to transport, as hereinafter provided, to his home, game birds legally killed by him in open season), nor in open season unless open to view, tagged and plainly labeled with owner's name and residence, and accompanied by him, unless tagged with a transportation tag as hereinafter provided; nor shall any person or corporation carry or transport in any one day more than ten ducks, five plover, ten snipe, five partridges and six woodcock, as the property of one person. Provided, however, it shall be lawful for a citizen of this state who has purchased a transportation tag therefor of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game, and paid five dollars for the same, to take with him out of the state

five partridges or ten ducks or six woodcock, which he himself has lawfully killed, by attaching said tag to the birds being transported by virtue of this paragraph. Provided, further, that any citizen of this state who has lawfully in his possession, one pair of either of the birds named in this section, may send the same anywhere in this state without accompanying the same, by purchasing of the duly constituted agent therefor a transportation tag, paying therefor the sum of fifty cents, and attaching said tag to the pair of birds. Provided, further, that no person shall under any of the provisions of this paragraph send as aforesaid more than one pair of game birds once in seven days. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section shall pay a fine of not less than ten and not more than fifty dollars and costs for each offense, and in addition thereto five dollars for each bird of the above-named varieties taken, caught, killed, had in possession or transported in violation hereof.'

Approved April 5, 1921.

Chapter 109.

An Act to Provide for Temperance Day in the Public Schools of the State of Maine.

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

Sec. 1. First Friday in March to be observed as Temperance Day by public schools. The first Friday in March of each year or the school day in each year nearest that date shall be designated as Temperance Day, and in every public school in the State of Maine not less than forty-five minutes of the school session shall be set apart and used for instruction and appropriate exercises relative to the history and benefits of prohibition and prohibitory laws; said schools to continue their work so far as practicable during the remainder of the day.

Sec. 2. State superintendent of schools to prepare suitable material to aid in observance; school teachers to comply with provisions. It shall be the duty of the state superintendent of schools to prepare suitable material for the observance of Temperance Day. It shall be the duty of all school officials in the several towns of the state and all public school teachers within the state to comply with the provisions of this act.

Approved April 5, 1921.

Chapter 110.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty of Chapter Sixty-eight of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Administration Granted without Bond.

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

R. S., c. 68, § 20; relating to administration without bond in certain cases, amended. Section twenty of chapter sixty-eight of the