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petition the judge of probate for their county for leave to adopt a child and for a change of his name. Any unmarried inhabitant of another state, or any non-resident husband and wife jointly, may present such petition in the probate court of the county where such child lives.'

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Chapter 125.

An Act to Amend Chapter One Hundred and Eighteen, Section Two of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Fees of Trial Justices.

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

R. S., c. 118, § 2; relating to fees of trial justices and justices of the peace, amended. Chapter one hundred and eighteen, section two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "fifty cents" in the thirty-third and thirty-fourth lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the words 'one dollar'; said section is further amended by striking out the words "eighty cents" in the thirty-eighth line and inserting in place thereof the words 'three dollars,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Fee for receiving a complaint and issuing a warrant in a criminal case increased to one dollar; fee for trial of an issue in a criminal case increased to three dollars. The fees of trial justices and justices of the peace shall be as follows:

'For every blank writ of attachment and summons thereon, or original summons, ten cents.

'For every subpoena for one or more witnesses, ten cents.

'Entry of an action, or filing a complaint in civil causes, including filing of papers, swearing of witnesses, examining, allowing and taxing the bill of costs, and entering and recording judgment, thirty cents. Each continuance in a civil action, five cents.

'Trial of an issue, in a civil action, eight cents, and when more than one day is used in the trial, two dollars for each day, after the first, actually employed.

'Copy of a record or other paper, at the rate of twelve cents a page.

'Writ of execution, fifteen cents.

'For a recognizance to prosecute an appeal, including principal and surety, twenty cents.

'Taking a deposition, affidavit or disclosure of a trustee, in any cause not pending before himself, twenty cents; for writing the same with the

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caption, and for the notification to the parties and witnesses, at the rate of twelve cents a page; the justice who takes such affidavit, deposition or disclosure, shall certify the fees of himself, of the witnesses, or party disclosing, and of the officers serving the notifications.

'Taking a deposition in perpetual memory of the thing, the same fees as in taking other depositions.

'Administering an oath in all cases, except on a trial or examination before himself, and to qualify town and parish officers, and a certificate thereof, twenty-five cents, whether administered to one or more persons at the same time.

'Taking the acknowledgment of a deed with one or more seals, if it is done at the same time, and certifying the same, twenty-five cents.

'Granting a warrant of appraisal in any case, and swearing appraisers, fifty cents.

'Receiving a complaint, and issuing a warrant in criminal cases, one dollar.

'Entering a complaint in a criminal prosecution, swearing witnesses, rendering and recording judgment, examining, allowing, and taxing the costs, and filing the papers, seventy-five cents.

'Trial of an issue in a criminal case, three dollars; and when more than one day is used in the trial, two dollars for each day after the first, actually employed.

'Recognizing persons charged with crimes for their appearance at the supreme judicial or superior courts, and for certifying and returning the same, with or without sureties, twenty-five cents.

'Mittimus for the commitment of any person on a criminal accusation, twenty-five cents.

'In a bastardy process, the fees may be charged as for like services in a criminal prosecution.

'Drawing a rule for submission to referees, and acknowledging the same, thirty-three cents.

'Writ to remove a nuisance, thirty-three cents.

'Calling a meeting of a corporation, fifty cents.

'For an examination of a debtor under chapter one hundred and fifteen, two dollars for each day employed in such examination, in full payment for all official services and expenses in such examination, exclusive of travel. For travel on official duty, twelve cents a mile one way; but not to be

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taxed for over ten miles one way, and in no case shall there be constructive travel.

'In all cases where the attendance of two or more justices is required, each is entitled to the fees prescribed for all services rendered by him personally.'

Approved April 5, 1921.

Chapter 126.

An Act to Amend Chapter One Hundred and Eighteen, Section Twenty of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Fees of Town Clerks.

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

R. S., c. 118, § 20; 1917, c. 13; relating to the fees of town clerks, amended. Chapter one hundred and eighteen, section twenty of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the word "ten" in the eighteenth line and inserting in place thereof the word 'twenty-five,' by striking out the word "fifteen" in the twenty-second line and inserting in place thereof the word 'twenty-five,' and by striking out the word "five" in the twenty-sixth line and inserting in place thereof the word 'twenty,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 20. Fee for certificates of birth, death or marriage increased to 25 cents; fee for receiving, recording and returning facts required by R. S., c. 64 in connection with vital statistics, increased; fee for recording oath increased. Clerks of cities and towns shall receive for recording mortgages of personal property and notices of foreclosure of the same, and descriptions of family burying-grounds, fifty cents.

'For recording assignments of wages, certificates of discharge of attachments and notices of finding lost money, goods or stray beasts, twentyfive cents.

'For receiving of an officer a copy of return of attachment of personal property, noting thereon the time when it is received, entering it in a suitable book and keeping it on file, ten cents.

'For filing copy of petition for release of attachment and certificate, and making necessary certificate thereof, twenty cents.

'For entering and recording intentions of marriage, giving certificate of same, one dollar, to be paid on issuing the certificate of intention.

'For recording sheep marks, ten cents.

'For recording certificates of partners, withdrawal of a partner, and of persons engaging in trade under a name, style or designation other than his own, twenty-five cents each.

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