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hereby amended by striking out all of the words between the word "messenger" in the first line of the twenty-second paragraph and the word "while" in the fourth line of said paragraph, and by striking out all of the words between the word "day" in the sixth line of said paragraph and the word "and" in the eighth line of said paragraph, so that the twenty-second paragraph of section five, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Fee of four dollars a day made uniform in all counties. Every deputy sheriff and court messenger while in attendance upon the supreme judicial court or the superior court in their several counties shall receive for said attendance and service four dollars a day; and the sheriff, at its opening, shall present to the court, a list of the officers attending, with the statement of the duties of each; and the court shall determine the number necessary, and disallow charges for others.'

Approved April 9, 1921.

Chapter 206.

An Act to Amend Section Seven of Chapter One Hundred and Seventeen of the Revised Statutes.

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

R. S., c. 117, § 7; 1919, c. 226; relating to compensation of judges, upon retirement, amended. Section seven of chapter one hundred and seventeen of the revised statutes is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

'Sec. 7. Qualification as to service changed from ten years to "seven consecutive years"'. Any justice of the supreme judicial court or any superior court who, having attained the age of seventy years and having served as such justice for at least seven consecutive years, resigns his said office, or ceases to serve at the expiration of any term thereof, shall receive annually an amount equal to one-half of the salary which shall by law be payable annually to the justices of said courts, respectively, during the remainder of the life of such retired justice, to be paid in the same manner as the salaries of the justices of said courts are paid.

'The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to present and former justices of said courts. Provided, however, that such justice shall within one year after attaining the age of seventy years, and serving as such justice for at least seven consecutive years, cease to serve as such justice. Any justice of the supreme judicial court or superior court, who having attained the age of seventy years, and having served as such justice for at least seven consecutive years, continues to serve as such justice for more than

one year shall waive his right to the compensation hereinbefore mentioned and shall make no claim therefor at the close of his term of service as such justice, whether such term of service is ended by resignation or by the expiration of the term for which he is appointed.'

Approved April 9, 1921.

Chapter 207.

An Act Authorizing the Division of Towns and Wards of Cities into Convenient Polling Places.

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

R. S., c. 7, § 12; 1917, c. 205; relating to division of towns and wards of cities into polling places, amended. Section twelve of chapter seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and substituting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 12. Made applicable to all towns without any special reservations. The municipal officers, sixty days before any election, may, after public notice and hearing divide towns and wards of cities into not more than three convenient polling districts. By writing under their hands to be filed with and recorded by the city or town clerk, they shall define the limits and designate the polling places of each district, and attested copies thereof shall forthwith be posted by said clerks in not less than six public and conspicuous places in said town or ward, and the same shall be published in one or more of the newspapers, if any, printed in said city or town, thirty days at least before such election. They shall also ten days before any such election, appoint a warden or presiding officer and clerk, in addition to the regular ballot clerks for each polling place other than the one in which the wardens duly elected for such ward shall preside, who shall perform the same duties at elections as presiding officers and clerks of towns and wards now perform. Any vacancy occurring after appointment may be filled by the voters of said polling district as similar vacancies are now filled. All such officers shall be sworn and make all returns of all elections directly to town or city clerk. The board of registration of voters for any city in which a ward has been so divided, and the municipal officers of any town which has been so divided, shall in the manner now provided for by law, prepare check lists of the qualified voters for each of said polling districts, in lieu of the check lists now provided by law for the entire town or ward, to be used as hereinafter provided, and all provisions of law applicable to check lists for towns and wards shall apply to check lists for such polling district.'

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