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are not paid on or before such first Monday in February, so much of the estate as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor with interest and charges, will be sold without further notice, at public auction, on said first Monday in February, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of the collector of taxes, in cities, and at the place where the last preceding annual town meeting was held, in towns. The date of the commitment shall be stated in the advertisement. In all cases, said collector shall lodge with the town clerk a copy of each such notice, with his certificate thereon that he has given notice of the intended sale as required by law. Such copy and certificate shall be recorded by said clerk and the record so made shall be open to the inspection of all persons interested. The clerk shall furnish to any person desiring it an attested copy of such record, on receiving payment or tender of payment of a reasonable sum therefor; but notices of sales of real estate within any village corporation for unpaid taxes of said corporation may be given by notices thereof, posted in the same manner, and at the same places as warrants for corporation meetings, and by publication, as aforesaid. No irregularity, informality or omission in giving the notices required by this section, or in lodging copy of any of the same with the town clerk, as herein required, shall render such sale invalid, but such sale shall be deemed to be legal and valid, if made at the time and place herein provided, and in other respects according to law, except as to the matter of notice. For any irregularity, informality or omission in giving notice as required by this section, and in lodging copy of the same with the town clerk, the collector shall be liable to any person injured thereby.'

Approved March 27, 1923.

Chapter 94.

An Act to Amend Sections Twenty-seven and Twenty-eight of Chapter Thirty-six of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Packing and Grading of Apples.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 36, sec. 27; relating to establishing standard grades for apples, amended. Section twenty-seven of chapter thirty-six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding the following paragraphs: 'The minimum size of the fruit in all classes or grades, including the fancy and unclassified, shall be determined by taking the transverse diameter of the smallest fruit in the package at right angles to the stem and blossom end. Minimum sizes shall be stated in variations of one-quarter of an inch, like two inches, two and one-quarter inches, two and one-half inches, two and three-quarter inches, three inches, three and one-quarter inches, and so on, in accordance with the facts.'

Minimum sizes may be designated by figures instead of words. The word "minimum" may be designated by using the abbreviation "min." so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 27. Minimum sizes, how determined; sizes may be indicated by figures; word "minimum" may be abbreviated to "min." The standard grade for apples, when packed in closed packages, shall be as follows: First. Fancy, shall consist of apples of one variety, above the average size and color for the variety, and none smaller than two and one-half inches in diameter, sound and free from worm holes, bruises, scab or any other defect that materially injures the appearance or useful quality of the apples, and shall be properly packed in clean, strong packages.

Second. Number one, or class one, shall consist of well matured apples of one variety of normal shape and good color for the variety, not less than two and one-quarter inches in diameter, sound and free from all defect such as worm holes, bruises, scab or any other defect that materially injures the appearance or useful quality of the apple, and shall be properly packed in clean, strong packages.

Third. Number two, or class two, shall consist of well matured apples of one variety not less than two inches in diameter, of medium color for the variety and normal shape. Apples two and one-quarter inches in diameter or less must be sound. Apples more than two and one-quarter inches in diameter may have one defect such as a worm hole or a bruise, if the skin is not broken and shall be properly packed in clean, strong packages.

Fourth. Unclassified. Apples not conforming to the foregoing conditions as to variety, size and other conditions, shall be classed as Unclassified.

Fifth. The minimum size of the fruit in all classes or grades, including the Fancy and Unclassified, shall be determined by taking the transverse diameter of the smallest fruit in the package at right angles to the stem and blossom end. Minimum sizes shall be stated in variations of one-quarter of an inch like two inches, two and one-quarter inches, two and one-half inches, two and three-quarter inches, three inches, three and one-quarter inches, and so on, in accordance with the facts.

Minimum sizes may be designated by figures instead of words. The word "minimum" may be designated by using the abbreviation "min."

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 36, sec. 28; relating to marks on outside of package, amended. Section twenty-eight of chapter thirty-six of the revised statutes is hereby amended in the eighth line thereof after the words "contained therein" by adding the clause 'and the minimum size of the fruit in the

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packages,' and in the last line thereof after the word "designated" by adding the clause 'and the word apples must appear in all instances,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 28. Minimum size to be stated; word "apples" to appear. Every closed package of apples, which is packed, sold, distributed, transported, offered or exposed for sale, distribution or transportation in the state by any person shall have affixed in a conspicuous place on the outside thereof a plainly printed statement clearly and truly stating the size of the package in terms of standard bushel box or standard barrel, the name and address of the owner or shipper of the apples at the time of packing, the name of the variety, the class or grade of the apples contained therein, and the minimum size of the fruit in the packages, and if the apples were grown in Maine, that fact shall be plainly designated and the word apples must appear in all instances.'

Approved March 27, 1923.

Chapter 95.

An Act to Amend Paragraph Fifteen of Section Forty-five of Chapter One Hundred and Seventeen of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, Relating to Clerk Hire in Office of Register of Deeds in Waldo County.

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

R. S., c. 117, sec. 15; P. L., 1921, c. 219, relating to clerk hire in county offices, amended. Paragraph fifteen of section forty-five of chapter one hundred seventeen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-one, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "eleven hundred and forty-four" in the first and second lines of said paragraph, and inserting in place thereof the words 'fourteen hundred and four' so that said paragraph, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Waldo county: Clerk hire in office of register of deeds increased. For clerks in the office of register of deeds, fourteen hundred and four dollars; for clerks in the office of register of probate, two hundred dollars; for clerks in the office of the clerk of courts, five hundred dollars.'

Approved March 27, 1923.

Chapter 96.

An Act to Provide for the Designation and Registration of Farm Names.

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

Sec. 1. Owner of farm lands may designate specific name for such lands