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virtue of this section shall be filed in the office of the clerk of courts, in the county in which the waters are situated, and shall be published three times in a newspaper printed in the county wherein the waters are situated. Whoever violates any provision of any rules and regulations of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game and the forest commissioner promulgated by virtue of this section, shall be subject to a fine of not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars and costs for each offense.'

Approved April 7, 1925.

Chapter 175.

An Act to Amend the Law Relating to Municipal Aid for Public Libraries.

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

Sec. 1. P. L., 1921, c. 210, sec. 28; relating to authorizing towns to establish and maintain free public libraries, amended. Section twenty-eight of chapter two hundred and ten of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one is hereby amended by striking out beginning in the fourth line thereof the words "appropriate, for the foundation and commencement of such library, a sum not exceeding ten dollars, and for its maintenance and increase annually, a sum not exceeding two dollars for each of its ratable polls in the year next preceding," and inserting in place thereof, the following: 'levy and assess a tax and make appropriation therefrom for the foundation and commencement of such library and for its maintenance and increase annually'; and by inserting between the words "the" and "general" in the eighth line thereof the word 'same,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 28. Fixed amount for founding and maintaining libraries, abolished; towns authorized to levy tax and make appropriations. Any town may establish a free public library therein, for the use of its inhabitants, and provide suitable rooms therefor, under such regulation for its government as the inhabitants from time to time prescribe; and may levy and assess a tax and make appropriation therefrom for the foundation and commencement of such library and for its maintenance and increase annually. Any town in which there is a public library may establish and maintain under the same general management and control, such branches of the same as the convenience and wants of its citizens seem to demand.'

Sec. 2. P. L., 1921, c. 210, sec. 29; relating to authorizing village corporations to establish free public libraries, amended. Section twenty-nine of chapter two hundred and ten of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one is hereby amended by striking out beginning in the fourth

line thereof the words "appropriate therefrom for its maintenance and increase annually a sum not exceeding one dollar for each ratable poll within the limits of such village corporation in the year next preceding" and inserting in place thereof, the following: 'make appropriation therefrom for its maintenance and increase annually,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 29. Fixed amount for establishing and maintaining free public libraries, abolished; authorized to levy and assess corporate tax and make appropriations. Any village corporation located in a town where no free library exists, may establish a library within its limits for the free use of all its inhabitants and may levy and assess a corporate tax and make appropriation therefrom for its maintenance and increase annually. Village libraries established under this section shall be subject to all the duties and entitled to all the privileges prescribed by the laws relating to free public libraries in towns.'

Sec. 3. P. L., 1921, c. 210, sec. 30; relating to state aid for free public libraries, amended. Section thirty of chapter two hundred and ten of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one is hereby amended by striking out beginning in the second line thereof the words "not exceeding the legal limit established for maintaining free libraries"; and by striking out in the ninth line thereof the words "seventy-eight" and inserting in place thereof the words 'thirty-two,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 30. Limited appropriation clause, stricken out; section reference corrected. Any town may raise and appropriate annually a sum of money for the purpose of securing to its inhabitants the free use of a library located in an adjoining town, and shall be entitled to receive from the treasurer of state a sum not less than seven per cent nor more than ten per cent of the amount so raised, appropriated and expended yearly, provided that no town shall receive annually more than five hundred dollars, to be paid on the certificate of its municipal officers returned as provided in section thirty-two.'

Sec. 4. P. L., 1921, c. 210, sec. 31; relating to authority of adjacent towns to appropriate money to establish a free public library, amended. Section thirty-one of chapter two hundred and ten of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one is hereby amended by striking out in the third line thereof the word "appropriate" and inserting in place thereof the words 'make appropriation' and by striking out beginning in the fourth line thereof the words "a sum not exceeding the legal limit established for maintaining free libraries," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

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'Sec. 31. **Limited appropriation clause, stricken out.** Two or more adjacent towns may unite in establishing and maintaining a free public library with branches thereof in each town, for the free use of all the inhabitants of said towns, and may each raise and make appropriation for that purpose annually, and such towns shall be subject to all duties and entitled to all the benefits prescribed by the laws relating to free libraries.'

Sec. 5. P. L., 1921, c. 210, sec. 33; relating to authority of towns to assist in maintaining libraries controlled by associations, amended. Section thirty-three of chapter two hundred and ten of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one is hereby amended by striking out beginning in the second line thereof the words "appropriate a sum not exceeding one dollar for each of its ratable polls in the year next preceding" and inserting in place thereof the words 'levy and assess a tax and make appropriation therefrom annually,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 33. **Limited appropriation clause stricken out.** Any town or city, in which there is a library owned or controlled by a corporation or association or by trustees may levy and assess a tax and make appropriation therefrom annually to procure from such library the free use of its books for all the inhabitants of the town or city, under such restrictions and regulations as shall insure the safety and good usage of the books; and such library shall then be considered a free public library within the meaning of this chapter, and said town or city shall be entitled to the benefits of the preceding section, provided that any books and documents purchased with said stipend, and all books and documents donated by the state, shall be and remain the property of said municipality.'

Approved April 7, 1925.

Chapter 176.

An Act Relating to Recording of Instruments of Conveyance.

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

R. S., c. 78, sec. 23; P. L., 1921, c. 40; relating to acknowledgment of deeds, amended. Section twenty-three of chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes, as re-enacted by chapter forty of the laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, is hereby amended by striking out the whole thereof, and inserting instead thereof the following to be known as section twenty-three:

'Sec. 23. All written instruments before recording in registries of deeds, must be acknowledged; instruments issued by a court and duly attested,