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CHAP. 176

'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,

exempt. Deeds and all other written instruments before recording in the registries of deeds, except those issued by a court of competent jurisdiction and duly attested by the proper officer thereof, and excepting plans shall be acknowledged by the grantors, or one of them, or by their attorney executing the same, before a justice of the peace, or notary public having a seal, or woman otherwise eligible under the constitution and appointed for the purpose by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, in the state; or before any clerk of a court of record having a seal, notary public, justice of the peace, or commissioner appointed by the governor of this state for the purpose or a commissioner authorized in the state where the acknowledgment is taken, within the United States; or before a minister or consul of the United States or notary public in any foreign country. The seal of such court or the official seal of such notary or commissioner, if he have one, shall be affixed to the certificate of acknowledgment, but if such acknowledgment is taken outside the state of Maine before a justice of the peace, notary public not having a seal, or commissioner, a certificate under seal from the secretary of state, or clerk of a court of record in the county where the officer resides or took the acknowledgment, authenticating the authority of the officer taking such acknowledgment, and the genuineness of his signature, must be annexed thereto.'

Approved April 7, 1925.

Chapter 177.

An Act to Authorize the Treasurer of State to Negotiate a Temporary Loan.

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

P. L., 1917, c. 204; relating to authority for state treasurer making a temporary loan, amended. Chapter two hundred and four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen is hereby amended by inserting after the words "temporary loan" in the third line the words 'in anticipation of and pending the receipt of taxes levied for such year, and of the proceeds of bonds authorized to be issued,'; by adding after the word "Maine" in the fourth line the words 'as amended by article forty-two of the constitution,'; by striking out the whole of the second and third sentences of said chapter, and inserting in place thereof the words "The treasurer of state and the governor and council are hereby authorized and directed to pay such loan during such year, and, for the purpose of such loan and the payment thereof there is hereby appropriated for any year in which the treasurer of state and the governor and council may deem it necessary to borrow as aforesaid, the sum of eight hundred thousand dollars,' so that said chapter, as amended, shall read as follows: