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plates, amended. Section seventy-seven of chapter two hundred and eleven of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, is hereby amended by striking out the word "three" in the eighth line, and inserting in place thereof the word 'five,' so that said section seventy-seven, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 77. Pleasure car reserved plates increased from 2000 to 5000. Whenever the owner has once registered a motor vehicle, under the provisions of this act, the secretary shall, at the request of such owner, allow him to keep and use the same number plates for the entire calendar year for which the plates were issued, provided he complies with the other provisions of the motor vehicle law. The secretary shall reserve until December first of each year the same registration number for the succeeding year for persons having registration numbers two to five thousand for pleasure vehicles, and numbers one to five hundred for commercial vehicles, if such person shall, previous to the first day of December of the current year, pay for the registration of his vehicle for the succeeding year and otherwise comply with the provisions of the motor vehicle law.'

Approved March 14, 1927.

Chapter 15.

An Act Relating to Close Time on Scallops.

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

R. S., c. 45, sec. 67; P. L., 1917, c. 22; 1923, cc. 83 and 130; relating to close time on scallops and penalties for violation, amended. Section sixty-seven of chapter forty-five of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter twenty-two of the public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen, as amended by chapter eighty-three of the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-three, and as amended by chapter one hundred and thirty of the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-three, is hereby further amended by adding in the fourth line thereof the words 'or in the waters of Bagaduce river to a point at the mouth of said river marked by a line and bound, extending from Dice's Head in Castine through the southernmost point of Nautilus Island to the Brooksville shore, between the fifteenth day of April and the first day of January next following of each year,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 67. Special provision for waters of Bagaduce river. No person shall catch, buy or sell, expose for sale, give away, or have in his possession for any purpose, any scallops, shelled or in the shell, between the fifteenth day of April and the first day of November of each year, or in

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the waters of Bagaduce river to a point at the mouth of said river marked by a line and bound, extending from Dice's Head in Castine through the southernmost point of Nautilus Island to the Brooksville shore, between the fifteenth day of April and the first day of January next following of each year. It shall be unlawful to ship scallops so taken out of the state. Whoever violates this section shall be liable to a penalty of fifty dollars, and in addition shall pay a penalty of five dollars for each and every gallon or part thereof of shelled scallops, so bought, sold, exposed for sale, given away or in his possession; and shall pay a penalty of five dollars for each one hundred scallops or any part thereof, in the shell, so bought, sold, exposed for sale, given away or in his possession; and any boat with its equipment, engaged and used in such unlawful catching or selling of scallops may be seized and detained by an officer or warden, not exceeding twenty-four hours, in order that it may be attached or taken by due process of law, to satisfy any judgment that may be recovered; but said boat and equipment shall be released at any time on payment of penalty and costs legally due. Scallop gear found on board any boat in close time shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section. So much of this section as relates to buying or selling or exposing for sale or the possession of scallops shall not apply to scallops taken outside of the waters of the state of Maine.

Approved March 14, 1927.

Chapter 16.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty-one of Chapter Seven of the Revised Statutes,
Relating to Closing of Polls at Elections.

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

R. S., c. 7, sec. 21; P. L., 1919, c. 10; relating to time for opening and closing of polls at state and city municipal elections, amended. Section twenty-one of chapter seven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter ten of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, is hereby further amended by striking out in the fifth line thereof the word "six" and inserting in place thereof the word 'seven,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 21. Polls to be kept open until seven o'clock. Meetings for the election of state and county officers, and for the election of municipal officers in cities, may be opened at six o'clock in the forenoon, and shall be opened not later than ten o'clock in the forenoon; the polls shall be kept open until seven o'clock in the afternoon and shall then be closed. Notice of the time of opening and closing shall be given in the warrant calling the meeting.'

Approved March 17, 1927.