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Chapter 86.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty of Chapter Four of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Appointment of Deputy Town Clerks.

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

R. S., c. 4, sec. 20; relating to appointment of deputy town clerks, amended. Section twenty of chapter four of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "woman, otherwise qualified by the constitution," in the first and second lines of the last paragraph of said section, and by inserting in place thereof the words 'citizen thereof,' so that said last paragraph of said section shall read as follows:

Clerk may appoint deputy clerk. 'The clerk may also appoint a citizen thereof, who in his absence may so far act as deputy clerk as to receive and record chattel mortgages and other papers, and make certified copies of the records in the clerk's office.'

Approved March 15, 1929.

Chapter 87.

An Act Increasing the Amount Paid by the State for Condemned Cattle.

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

R. S., c. 35, sec. 3; P. L., 1921, c. 54 and c. 188; relating to prevention of contagious disease among animals, further amended. Section three of chapter thirty-five of the revised statutes as amended by chapters fifty-four and one hundred and eighty-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, is hereby further amended by striking out in the fourteenth and succeeding lines the words: "he shall pay to the owner or owners, thereof, their value as determined at the time of appraisal, out of moneys appropriated by the legislature for that purpose, provided, however, that no appraised value shall be more than one hundred and fifty dollars for cattle, with a pedigree recorded, or recordable in the recognized herd book of the breed in which the cattle destroyed may belong, nor more than seventy-five dollars," and substituting therefor the words: 'he or his approved agent shall appraise each animal at its true market value at the time it is condemned, and shall pay out of any moneys appropriated by the legislature for that purpose, an indemnity, but such indemnity paid by the state shall not exceed two hundred dollars for cattle, with a pedigree recorded, or recordable, in the recognized herd book of the breed in which the cattle destroyed may belong, nor more than one hundred dollars,' and also by inserting in the twenty-eighth line of said section three, after the words "of such disease" the following: 'except cattle that are accompanied by tuberculin test papers showing that they are from

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an accredited herd or a herd under supervision of the state or country from which they come, tested within one year and no disease found'; and also by striking out in the thirtieth and succeeding lines after the words "compensation be allowed" the words: "to any owner who in person or by agent, knowingly or wilfully conceals," and substituting therefor the following: 'for any cattle condemned that have been illegally brought into any modified accredited area, nor to any owner who in person or by agent knowingly or wilfully conceals animals that should be tested,' so that said section three, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Condemned animals shall be appraised at true market value; indemnity for pedigreed animals not to exceed \$200; animals without pedigree not more than \$100; no compensation for cattle illegally brought into modified area. Upon the discovery of any disease mentioned in the preceding section, the commissioner of agriculture, or his agent in charge of live stock sanitary work shall give notice of the existence and the locality thereof, by publication in such newspapers as he may select, and shall notify in writing the officials or agents of any railroad, steamboat or other transportation company doing business in or through such infected locality, of the existence of such disease; he shall establish and maintain such quarantine of animals, places, premises or localities, as he may deem necessary to prevent the spread of any such disease; he shall cause the animal or animals affected with the said disease, to be appraised in accordance with the rules and regulations made by him as hereinafter authorized and provided and shall cause the same to be destroyed and a proper disposition of the carcass made, according to the rules and regulations aforesaid; he or his approved agent shall appraise each animal at its true market value at the time it is condemned and shall pay out of any moneys appropriated by the legislature for that purpose, an indemnity, but such indemnity paid by the state shall not exceed two hundred dollars for cattle with a pedigree recorded, or recordable, in the recognized herd book of the breed in which the cattle destroyed may belong, nor more than one hundred dollars for cattle which have no recordable pedigree and all other animals so destroyed shall be paid for at the rate of one-half their cash value; provided that no appraised value shall exceed one hundred dollars for any horse condemned; provided, further, that in no case shall compensation be allowed for any animal destroyed under the provision of this chapter, which may have contracted or been exposed to such disease in a foreign country or on the high seas, or that may have been brought into this state within one year previous to such animal showing evidence of such disease, except cattle that are accompanied by tuberculin test papers showing that they are from an accredited herd, or a herd under supervision of the state or country from which they

come, tested within one year and no disease found; and the owner or owners thereof shall furnish satisfactory evidence as to the time during which such animal or animals shall have been owned in the state; nor shall compensation be allowed for cattle condemned that have been illegally brought into any modified accredited area; nor to any owner who in person, or by agent, knowingly or wilfully conceals animals that should be tested, the existence of disease, or the fact of exposure thereto in animals of which the person making such concealment, by himself or agent, is in whole or in part owner.'

Approved March 15, 1929.

Chapter 88.

An Act Establishing Moosehead Lake Game Preserve, in the County of Piscataquis.

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

Sec. 1. Moosehead lake game preserve established. No person shall at any time hunt, chase, catch, kill or destroy any wild bird or wild animal within the limits of the following described tracts, or territory situated in Piscataquis county, to wit: Moose island and Farm island, in Moosehead lake, and the territory bounded as follows: Beginning on the shore of Moosehead lake at a point nearest to the easterly end of the state road leading westerly from Greenville Junction, so-called, to the State Fish Hatchery on Squaw brook, thence westerly by said state road to said hatchery, thence northeasterly down said brook to the shore of Moosehead lake, thence by the shore of said lake to the point of beginning. It shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession at any time any wild bird or wild animal, or part thereof, taken within the above described territory.

Sec. 2. Penalty for violations of act. Whoever violates any provision of this act shall be subject to a penalty of not less than ten dollars nor more than three hundred dollars and costs for each offense, or imprisonment for sixty days, or both said fine and imprisonment.

Approved March 15, 1929.

Chapter 89.

An Act for the Better Care of Inmates of the Reformatory for Women.

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

P. L., 1921, c. 31; relating to inmates of state prison or reformatories afflicted with tuberculosis, amended. Chapter thirty-one of the public laws