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notice and a copy of such libel wherein are inserted, in place of such names, the words, "(a certain man named in the libel)" or "(a certain woman named in the libel)," as the case may be, shall, if otherwise correct, be considered and held to be for all purposes a true copy of such libel.'

Approved February 19, 1931.

#### Chapter 6.

AN ACT Relating to Terms of the County Commissioners' Court for the County of Washington.

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

R. S., c. 92, sec. 5; relating to regular sessions of county commissioners' courts; amended. Section five of chapter ninety-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "at Machias, on the first Tuesday of January and second Tuesday of October, and at Calais, on the first Tuesday of May," after the word "Washington" in the twenty-third and twenty-fourth lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the words: 'at Machias, on the first Tuesday of February and second Tuesday of October, and at Calais, on the first Tuesday of June', so that said lines as amended shall read as follows:

Change in Washington county. 'Washington, at Machias, on the first Tuesday of February and second Tuesday of October, and at Calais, on the first Tuesday of June.'

Approved February 19, 1931.

#### Chapter 7.

#### AN ACT Relative to County Buildings.

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

R. S., c. 92, sec. II; relating to duties as to court houses, jails and rooms for records and papers of county officers; amended. Section eleven of chapter ninety-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "buildings" in the eighth line the sentence 'They may also in any town in which a nisi prius term of the superior court is held contribute such amount as in their judgment seems proper to the repair and upkeep of any room used for the holding of such term of court' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 11. County commissioners may contribute to repair and upkeep. They shall, in the shire town of their county, provide and keep in repair,

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court-houses, with a suitable room in each for the county law library; jails, with apartments for debtors separate from criminals; and fire-proof buildings of brick or stone for the safe-keeping of records and papers belonging to the offices of registers of deeds, and of probate and insolvency, and of the clerk of courts, with separate fire-proof rooms, and suitable alcoves, cases, or boxes for each office, and also any other necessary buildings. They may also in any town in which a nisi prius term of the superior court is held contribute such amount as in their judgment seems proper to the repair and upkeep of any room used for the holding of such term of court. If, in the judgment of the county commissioners, public convenience so requires, they may, at the expense of the county, cause the files and records of the probate and other county courts to be rearranged, indexed, and docketed; the dockets which are worn or defaced to be renewed and the indexes to be consolidated, under the direction of their respective registers and clerks of said courts.'

Approved February 19, 1931.

#### Chapter 8.

AN ACT Relating to Manner of Payment of Teachers' Retirement Fund Collections.

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

- R. S., c. 19, sec. 229; relating to organization; membership, how acquired; amended. Section two hundred twenty-nine of chapter nineteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting in the twenty-third line thereof after the word "shall" the word 'annually', and by inserting after the word "forward" in the said twenty-third line the words 'in one payment', and by inserting after the word "the" in the twenty-fourth line of said section the words 'total of the', and by deleting the last sentence of said section, so that said section when amended shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 229. How town treasurer shall forward amount of deductions. An association to be known as the Maine teachers' retirement association, hereinafter called the retirement association, may be organized by and among the teachers in the public schools of the state. Membership in said association may be acquired under the following conditions:
- I. All teachers who shall serve in the public schools or in any academy which has contract relations with a town under section ninety-two and which receives at least three-fifths of its support from the state, or who teach in a normal school which is under the control of the state, or members of the state department of education, on or after July first, nineteen