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the cremation of bodies of the dead, and subject to such regulations as said department may from time to time make, may cremate such bodies and dispose of the ashes of the same.

Approved March 8, 1933.

Chapter 38.

AN ACT Relating to Bail in Municipal Courts.

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

P. L., 1931, c. 162, amended. Chapter 162 of the public laws of 1931 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Sec. 2-A. Provisions for bail in municipal courts. All recognizances or bail given in any of said courts in compliance with any provision of law to secure the appearance of a respondent in a criminal prosecution, shall continue in force until the case pending against such respondent is finally disposed of either by sentence or the finding of probable cause, and need not be renewed, and the sureties on such recognizances or bail shall be responsible on their original recognizance or bail for the appearance of the principal at any and all times to which the case in which said recognizance or bail was given is continued; provided however, that this provision shall not apply to bail or recognizances given before bail commissioners.'

Approved March 8, 1933.

Chapter 39.

AN ACT Relating to Registration of Women Voters.

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

- R. S., c. 6, § 6, amended. Section 6 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 6. Appearance in person to register; where person qualified shall vote; name under which women voters shall register; to notify board of change in surname. Every person whose name has not been entered upon the voting lists in any city in accordance with the provisions hereof must, if he desires to vote, appear in person at a place provided for registration and prove that he possesses all the qualifications of a voter. Every person qualified to vote, as hereinbefore provided, shall vote only in the ward of the city, and voting precinct thereof, if any, in which he had his residence on the 1st day of April preceding, or of his becoming an inhabitant after said day. Every married woman now registered, or who shall hereafter

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register as a voter, shall be registered under her given and married surname. Any married woman or widow may use her family name as a part of the name by which she shall be registered as a voter. Whenever a registered woman voter shall assume through marriage or any process of law a new surname, she shall notify the registration board of said change, in person, and the board shall then register her again; but when the open session for registration of voters, as hereinafter provided has ended, and before the close of the day of election, she may present to said registration board a duly executed certificate of her said marriage, or of her change of name by process of law, and the said board of registration shall cause her name to be accordingly changed on said voting lists and general register, and shall issue its certificate directed to the officers presiding over the election, in the same manner and to the same effect as hereinafter provided by reason of clerical error or omission of name from said voting lists.'

Approved March 9, 1933.

Chapter 40.

AN ACT Relating to Appointment of Town Road Commissioners.

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

R. S., c. 5, § 16, relating to town to elect road commissioner or authorize selectmen to appoint; provisions for removal, amended. Section 16 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 16. Road commissioners to be removed by selectmen only if appointed. Each town shall hereafter, at its annual meeting, elect by majority vote a road commissioner, who shall hold his office for the term of I year from the date of his election; except that any town may, at its option, by vote at such meeting pursuant to an appropriate article in the warrant calling the same, instruct the selectmen to appoint such road commissioner, in which case the selectmen shall appoint as heretofore; and except, further, that any town may, at its option, by vote at such meeting pursuant to an appropriate article in the warrant calling the same, fix the term of office of said road commissioner at a longer period, not to exceed 3 years. Any town may, at its option, elect not more than 3 road commissioners, or require their appointment as aforesaid, whose powers and duties shall be the same as prescribed for a single commissioner. Any road commissioner appointed by the selectmen may be removed from office by the selectmen for inefficiency or other cause. Upon written complaint made against any road commissioner by ten taxable inhabitants of the town, the selectmen the county commissioners, after notice to such commissioner, shall hold a public hearing thereon within