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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 1 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

10 days from the filing of the complaint, and if the charges are sustained remove said commissioner forthwith. Selectmen may act as road commissioners. This section shall not apply to cities and towns which choose road commissioners under special acts of the legislature.'

Approved March 9, 1933.

Chapter 41.

AN ACT Relating to Superintending School Committees.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 35, amended. Section 35 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 35. Superintending school committees, when first chosen, to arrange terms of office; vacancies; no member to be employed to teach in the supervisory union in which he is a member. School committees first chosen shall designate by lot a member or members to hold office for 1, 2, and 3 years respectively, in manner as follows: one for 1 year, one for 2 years, and one for 3 years; and they shall certify such designation to the town clerk to be by him recorded; and thereafterwards one member shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the town, to hold office for 3 years. Said committee may fill vacancies occurring between annual meetings, and the term of office of any member of the committee so chosen shall expire at the next annual meeting. No member of the superintending school committee of any town shall be employed as a teacher in any public school ~~in said town~~ or contract high school or academy located within a supervisory union of which he is a member of the joint committee. In case any member of the superintending school committee shall remove from the town or be absent for more than 90 days a vacancy shall be declared to exist and the remaining members shall within 30 days thereafter choose another member as hereinbefore provided. Whenever the remaining members fail to appoint a person to fill a vacancy the same may be filled by election at a town meeting called for the purpose.'

Approved March 9, 1933.

Chapter 42.

AN ACT Relating to Plant Railroads and Definition Thereof.

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

R. S., c. 63; additional. Chapter 63 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after section 65 the following new section, to be designated as "Sec. 65-A."