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shall make all expenditures upon vouchers authenticated and approved in a manner designated by the trustees. The treasurer shall have no authority to contract debts and obligations, excepting loans in anticipation of assured revenues when approved by vote of the trustees, and other loans when directed by vote of the trustees and duly and properly authorized by the governor and council.'

Approved March 10, 1939.

Chapter 58

AN ACT Relating to the Proper Branding of Potatoes.

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

P. L., 1935, c. 51, § 4, amended. Section 4 of chapter 51 of the public laws of 1935 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 4. Sale without grading by grower permitted. No provision of this act shall be construed to prevent a grower of potatoes ~~within this state~~ from selling or delivering the same within the state unpacked or unmarked, or selling his crop in bulk, or any part thereof, to a packer for grading, packing or storage within the state. Nor shall any provision of this act prevent ~~a grower or packer~~ any person from manufacturing the same into any by-product, or from selling the same unpacked or unmarked to any person actually engaged in the operation of a commercial by-products factory for the sole and express purpose of being used within the state in the manufacture of a by-product for resale.'

Approved March 10, 1939.

Chapter 59

AN ACT Relating to Loan and Building Associations.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 107, amended. Section 107 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 107. When shares reach maturity, holders to be paid value; shares subject to lien for unpaid dues. When each unpledged share of a given series reaches the value of \$200, all payment of dues thereon shall cease, and the holder thereof shall be paid out of the funds of the association, \$200 therefor, with interest ~~at the rate of not less than 3% nor more than~~

6% a year at a rate to be determined by the board of directors, from the time of such maturity to the time of payment, or the shareholder may at his option continue the same under the permanent plan; provided, that at no time shall more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of the funds in the treasury be applicable to the payment of such matured shares, without the consent of the directors, and that before paying matured shares, all arrears and fines shall be deducted. Every share shall be subject to a lien for the payment of any unpaid dues, fines, interest, premiums and other charges received thereon, which may be enforced in the manner hereinafter provided. Any association may permit the holders of matured shares issued on the serial plan to allow the same to remain after maturity, giving proper certificates therefor, but the amount due on matured shares so permitted to remain may not be demanded except upon 1 month's notice of such intention, if required by the association.'

Approved March 11, 1939.

Chapter 60

AN ACT Relating to Set-offs Against Taxes.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 14, amended. Chapter 14 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding a new section thereto to be numbered 21-A and to read as follows:

'Sec. 21-A. Municipal officers required to set off certain monies against unpaid taxes. Subject to the approval of such officers of the city or town as are legally qualified to draw warrants directed to the treasurer or other disbursing officer for the disbursement of the funds of the city or town, the treasurer or any disbursing officer of any city or town may, and if so requested by the collector shall, withhold payment of any money then due and payable to any person or legal entity whose taxes are then due and wholly or partially unpaid, to an amount not in excess of the unpaid taxes together with any interest and costs. The sum withheld shall be paid to the collector, who shall, if required, give a receipt in writing therefor to the officer paying and to the person or entity taxed. The collector's rights under this section shall not be affected by any assignment or trustee process made or instituted after the effective date of this act.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 96, § 77, amended. Section 77 of chapter 96 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 77. What demands may be set off. A demand originally payable to the defendant in his own right, founded on a judgment, or contract ex-