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longing to the state, and may lease camp sites, mill privileges, dam sites and flowage rights, on lands belonging to the state, on such terms as they direct; also the right to cut timber and grass and lease camp sites, mill privileges, dam sites and flowage rights, on public reserved lots in any township or tract of land until the same is incorporated, on such terms as they direct. Preference in such sales or leases shall be given to citizens of this state.'

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 153

AN ACT to Clarify the State Library Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 38, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'**Sec. 3. Admission to library.** The librarian shall keep the library open from 9 in the morning until ~~12 noon on every day except Sundays and public holidays, and from 1.30 to 4~~ in the afternoon on every day, except Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays; and the superintendent of public buildings and his assistants shall see that no one is admitted to the library rooms out of library hours or that any book is taken therefrom without the consent of the librarian.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 38, § 11-A, additional. Chapter 38 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 11-A, to read as follows:

'**Sec. 11-A. Public library services.** The state librarian, with the approval of the governor and council, may also make any regulations necessary to enable the state to comply with the provisions of any law of the United States, heretofore or hereafter enacted, intended to promote public library services. The treasurer of state shall be custodian of any money that may be allotted by the federal government for general public library services.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 38, § 21, amended. Section 21 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'**Sec. 21. Published records of vital statistics to be purchased.** Whenever the record of the births, marriages and deaths of any town in the state, previous to the year 1892, beginning at the very earliest date, shall be col-

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lected from church records, church registers, records of clergymen, family Bibles, public records and other available sources, and shall be printed and verified in the manner required by the standing committee of the Maine Historical Society, under the editorship of some person selected by said committee, whose services shall be rendered free and without any compensation, and the work shall appear to them to have been prepared with accuracy, the librarian of the state library shall purchase ~~250~~ 50 copies of such record at a price not exceeding 2c per page; provided that the written copies of the town records shall become the property of the state, and shall be deposited in the office of the registrar of vital statistics; and provided further, that not more than \$3,000 shall be expended by authority of this section in any one year ~~and provided further, that on and after August 1, 1937, all projects to be undertaken within the provisions of this section shall first be listed with and approved in writing by the state librarian and the state historian.~~

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 38, § 26, amended. Section 26 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 26. Towns may unite in establishment and maintenance of libraries; entitled to same benefits as single towns. Two or more ~~adjacent~~ towns may unite in establishing and maintaining a free public library with branches thereof in each town for the free use of all the inhabitants of said towns and may each raise and make appropriation for that purpose annually, and such towns shall be subject to all duties and entitled to all the benefits prescribed by the laws relating to free libraries.'

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 38, § 29, amended. Section 29 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 29. Duty to keep custody of public documents furnished by state librarian; duty to report list of books purchased with state stipend. In every town and city where a free public library exists, the librarian of the state library shall transmit to such library all laws, Maine reports, and other documents which the town or city is by law entitled to receive from the state, except as provided in sections 18 and 19, and the same shall be constantly kept in such library for the use and benefit of all the citizens; and the officers of said library, on or before the 1st day of May of each year, shall send to the librarian of the state library a report containing a list of all books and documents purchased with the state stipend for the preceding year ~~and of all books and documents received from the state in said library.~~ The aid from the state, provided by section 27, shall be withheld from any city, town, or village corporation until the report herein required to be made ~~on or before the 1st day of May of each year~~ shall

have been received by the librarian of the state library; and the same shall also be withheld unless said report shall show that the laws, Maine reports and other documents furnished ~~to said town or city~~ by the state are kept in said library as required by this section.'

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 38, § 30, repealed and replaced. Section 30 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 30. Donation of books and gifts to assist in foundation of library. Whenever a municipality shall purchase books to aid in the establishment of a free public library, the librarian of the Maine state library shall make a gift of money or new books to such library; the gift to equal 50% of the value of the books purchased by said municipality for said purpose, and in no instance to exceed \$100.'

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 154

AN ACT Relating to Liens on Vehicles, Aircraft or Component Parts Thereof, and Parachutes.

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

R. S., c. 164, § 61, amended. Section 61 of chapter 164 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 61. Liens on vehicles, aircraft or component parts thereof, and parachutes. Whoever performs labor by himself or his employees in manufacturing or repairing the ironwork or woodwork of wagons, carts, sleighs and other vehicles, ~~aircraft or component parts thereof, and parachutes~~, or so performing labor furnishes materials therefor or provides storage therefor by direction or consent of the owner thereof, shall have a lien on such vehicle, ~~aircraft or component parts thereof, and parachutes~~, for his reasonable charges for said labor, and for materials used in performing said labor, and for said storage, which takes precedence of all other claims and incumbrances on said vehicles, ~~aircraft or component parts thereof, and parachutes~~, not made to secure a similar lien, and may be enforced by attachment at any time within 90 days after such labor is performed or such materials or storage furnished and not afterwards, provided that a claim for such lien is duly filed as required in the following section; said lien, however, shall be dissolved if said property has actually changed ownership prior to such filing.'

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