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FOURTH REVISION.

THE  
REVISED STATUTES

OF THE

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**CHAP. 56.** and the last clerk chosen shall continue in office until the records are so deposited.

Certain corporate powers continued for ten years after final division.  
R.S., c. 56, § 13.

**SEC. 13.** Such a final division shall not dissolve the corporation until ten years thereafter; but the last proprietors in common and their heirs shall continue in their corporate capacity, for the collection and payment of all debts due to or owing by the corporation; and may call and hold meetings, and vote assessments to pay their debts and all other charges necessary for closing their business.

Money may be raised for highways.  
R.S., c. 56, § 14.

**SEC. 14.** The owners of an unincorporated township or tract may call meetings to raise money, for making and repairing highways lawfully laid out, and to choose officers to assess and collect it.

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## CHAPTER 57.

### MILLS AND THEIR REPAIRS.

- SEC. 1.**
1. Manner of calling a meeting of mill owners.
  2. Owners of half or more may repair or rebuild.
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Manner of calling a meeting of mill owners.  
R.S., c. 57, § 1.  
31 Me., 35.  
57 Me., 103.

**SEC. 1.** When an owner of a mill, or of the dam necessary for working it, thinks it necessary to rebuild or repair it in whole or in part, he may apply in writing to a justice of the peace in the county where it is situated, or if partly in two counties, to a justice in either, to call a meeting of the owners, stating the object, time, and place of the meeting, and such justice may issue his warrant for the purpose, directed to such owner, which shall be published in some newspaper printed in such county, if any, three weeks successively, the last publication to be not less than ten, nor more than thirty days before the meeting; or a true copy of the warrant may be delivered to each of said owners, or left at his last and usual place of abode; and either notice is binding on all the owners.

Owners of half or more may repair or rebuild.  
R.S., c. 57, § 2.  
11 Me., 172.  
53 Me., 553.

**SEC. 2.** At such meeting, whether all the owners attend or not, the owners in interest of at least one half of such mill or dam may rebuild or repair so far as to make them serviceable; and shall be re-imbursed out of said mill or its profits, what they advanced therefor beyond their proportions, with interest in the meantime.

How to be re-imbursed.  
R.S., c. 57, § 3.  
53 Me., 553.

**SEC. 3.** If they are not re-imbursed by the profits of the mill, or paid by the other owners, within six months after the work is completed, they may charge one per cent. a month on the amount advanced, from the end of six months until so re-imbursed; and if a delinquent owner dies, or alienates his interest in the premises, the advancing owners have a

continuing lien thereon for re-imbusement; but no special contract, made by the owners, respecting the building or repair of such mill or dam, is hereby affected. CHAP. 57.

SEC. 4. Where any part of such mill or dam, at the time of meeting and notice, is owned by minors, married women, tenants by courtesy, in tail, for life or years, or by mortgagor or mortgagee, the guardians of such minors, husband of such married woman in her right, such tenant, mortgagor, or mortgagee shall be deemed, for the purposes of this chapter the proprietors thereof, and shall be notified, vote, and contribute accordingly; and all advances so made by them, if not paid, may be recovered in a special action on the case, with interest.

Proceedings, if a part owner is a minor, or otherwise disqualified. R. S., c. 57, § 4.

SEC. 5. The owner of every grist mill shall keep scales and weights therein, to weigh corn, grain, and meal, when required; and for neglecting so to do, or refusing to weigh the same when required, or for taking more than lawful toll, he forfeits five dollars, to be recovered by action of debt.

Owners of grist mills to furnish scales for weighing grain. R. S., c. 57, § 5. Tolls established. 1883, c. 139.

SEC. 6. The toll for grinding, cleansing and bolting all kinds of grain, shall not exceed one sixteenth part thereof.

## CHAPTER 58.

### AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTIONS.

#### BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

- SEC. 1. Board of agriculture, how constituted, and tenure of office.
2. If more than one society in a county, convention of delegates from each to elect a member therefor. If not so elected, the governor and council shall elect from highest candidates. Credentials of members.
3. Annual session of board, to be held at capitol in January.
4. Farmers' institutes to be held annually in each county. Re-imbusement of personal expenses. Expense of institutes, limited.
5. Secretary, appointment and duties. Annual report, how distributed.
6. Secretary is, ex-officio, trustee of state college, and commissioner of contagious diseases.
7. Duties of board. May take and hold gifts.

#### STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

- SEC. 8. Officers to be elected.
9. Society may hold property, with annual income not exceeding five thousand dollars, to be paid in premiums. Treasurer to give bond and render annual account, and secretary to make annual report.

#### COUNTY AND LOCAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

- SEC. 10. County and local societies or their treasurers, may hold property in trust, and convey or mortgage it.
11. On application of treasurer of society, state treasurer to pay to him as much as society raises. Limitations of amount. If more than one society in a county, each to have in proportion. Exceptions.
12. No payments made until certain certificates and specifications are filed.
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14. Statements required of competitors, and specifications in treasurer's certificate to treasurer of state. Form of application.