

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 61.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT to amend section twelve of chapter eightythree of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Rep^{*}esentatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

That the words "is unable" in the first line there-2 of be stricken out and the word "fails" inserted in 3 lieu thereof; and that all the words after the word 4 "if" in the seventh line thereof to and including the 5 word "continuance" in the ninth line thereof be 6 stricken out and the words "said trial justice, who 7 so appointed such time and place, or before whom 8 such writ is returnable fails to attend at the time 9 and place fixed in such continuance, such action 10 then and there" be inserted in lieu thereof, so that 11 said section as amended shall read as follows:

12Sect. 12. Where a trial justice fails to attend at 13 the time and place appointed by him for the trial of 14 any suit already entered, or at which any writ is 15 returnable before him, any other trial justice who 16 might legally try the same, or any justice of the 17 peace and quorum, residing in the same or 18 adjoining town, may attend and continue such 19 action, once, to a day certain, not exceeding thirty 20 days, and note the fact on the writ, and in his own 21 docket; and if said trial justice, who so appointed 22 such time and place, or before whom such writ is 23 returnable fails to attend at the time and place 24 fixed in such continuance, such action then and 25 there may be entered before and tried by some 26 other trial justice of the same town, or, if none 27 such resides therein, then before some trial justice 28 of the same county; who may render judgment and 29 issue execution as if the action had been originally 30 returnable before him.

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In House of Representatives, February 7, 1883. ,

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