

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 193.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend sections fifteen and sixteen of
chapter forty-eight of the revised statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECTION 1. Section fifteen of said chapter is
2 amended so as to read as follows:
3 No child less than twelve years old can be
4 employed or suffered to work in a cotton or woolen
5 manufactory; if over twelve and under fifteen, he
6 shall not be so employed without having attended
7 a public school, or a private one taught by a person
8 qualified to be a public teacher, three months of
9 the twelve, next preceding such employment, in
10 each year. A certificate under oath of such

11 teacher, filed with the clerk or agent before
12 employment, is to constitute the proof of such
13 schooling.

SECT. 2. Any owner, agent or superintendent of
2 such manufactory, for each violation of the preced-
3 ing section, forfeits fifty dollars, to be recovered
4 by indictment, one-half to the prosecutor and the
5 other to the town where the offence was committed,
6 to be added to its school money. It is the duty of
7 the school committee of the several towns to
8 inquire into such violations and report them to a
9 county attorney, who, on reception thereof, shall
10 prosecute therefor.

STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. }
March 8, 1883. }

Reported by Mr. DONOVAN, from Committee on Legal Affairs,
and ordered printed.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*