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Sixty-Second Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 12.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT additional to chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes, relative to Insolvency.

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

SECTION 1. The assignee shall, unless the judge

- 2 otherwise directs, make and return upon oath into
- 3 the court of insolvency a true inventory of all the
- 4 property of the debtor, real and personal, which
- 5 the assignment vests in such assignee, and which
- 6 has come to his possession or knowledge; and the
- 7 estate comprised in such inventory shall be ap-
- 8 praised in the same manner that the estates of
- 9 deceased persons are required by law to be ap-
- 10 praised. Such inventory and appraisement shall

- 11 be made and returned on or before the second 12 meeting of creditors.
 - Sect. 2. The assignee shall account for all the
 - 2 estate and effects of the debtor that vest in him
 - 3 by the assignment, at the appraisement, except as
 - 4 herein provided: He shall make no profit by the
 - 5 increase, and sustain no loss by the decrease or
 - 6 destruction, without his fault, of any part of the
 - 7 estate; if he sells any thereof for more than the
 - 8 appraised value, he shall account for the excess,
 - 9 and, if he sells for less, he shall be allowed for
- 10 the loss, if it appears to the court that the sale
- 11 was expedient and for the interest of all concerned
- 12 in the estate; and in either case the assignee shall
- 13 exhibit to the court a true account of sales, and
- 14 shall sell the estate at public auction unless the
- 15 court for sufficient cause, upon petition therefor
- 16 filed, otherwise orders.
 - Sect. 3. A discharge shall not be granted to a
 - 2 debtor, adjudged insolvent upon his own petition,
 - 3 whose assets do not pay twenty-five per cent of
 - 4 the claims proved against his estate, unless the
 - 5 assent in writing of a majority in number, and
 - 6 value of his creditors who have proved their
 - 7 claims is filed in the case within six months from
 - 8 the date of the assignment.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, January 22, 1885.

Presented by Mr. HEATH of Augusta, and on his motion ordered printed.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.