

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty - Second Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 170.

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STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT relating to the Appointment of Administrators in cases where wills have been destroyed or lost, on estates interested in French Spoliation Claims.

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

In all cases of claims against the United States  
2 arising out of French Spoliations, in those counties  
3 where the records of the probate court relating to  
4 the estate of any claimant have been lost or de-  
5 stroyed, and have not been restored, the judge of  
6 probate having jurisdiction may petition and, after  
7 public notice and hearing, appoint a special admin-  
8 istrator upon the estate of any original claimant,

9 deceased testator or intestate who may prosecute  
10 such claim against the United States as aforesaid,  
11 for the benefit of such estate, and at any time after  
12 six months from the date of his giving notice of  
13 his appointment, and after public notice and order  
14 of distribution, may distribute said estate to those  
15 determined by the court to be entitled thereto; but  
16 no such distribution shall be disturbed by reason  
17 of any debt or claim afterwards filed against said  
18 estate. Such special administrators shall give  
19 such a bond as the judge may determine; but  
20 nothing herein contained shall prevent the appoint-  
21 ment of an administrator under the general law.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 25, 1885. }

Reported from Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. HALE; ordered  
printed under joint rule.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk.*