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Sixty - Third Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 222.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to Wills, lost, suppressed, concealed or carried out of the State.

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

Section seven of chapter sixty-four of the Revised 2 Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the 3 following words: 'And when such original will 4 is produced for probate the time during which 5 it has been lost, suppressed, concealed or carried 6 out of the State shall not be taken as a part of the

7 limitation provided in the first section of this

8 chapter,' so that said section as amended shall read 9 as follows:

'Section 7. When the last will of any deceased 11 person who had his domicile in the State at the 12 time of his death is lost, destroyed, suppressed 13 or carried out of the State and cannot be obtained 14 after reasonable diligence its execution and con-15 tents may be proved by a copy and by the testi-16 mony of the subscribing witnesses thereto, or by 17 any other evidence competent to prove the execu-18 tion and contents of a will, and upon proof of the 19 continued existence of such lost will unrevoked up 20 to the time of the testator's death letters testa-21 mentary shall be granted as on the last will of the 22 deceased, the same as if the original had been pro-23 duced and proved. And when such original will 24 is produced for probate the time during which it 25 has been lost, suppressed, concealed or carried out 26 of the State shall not be taken as a part of the 27 limitation provided in the first section of this 28 chapter.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives. }
March 4, 1887.

Reported from Committee on Judiciary by Mr. POWERS of Houlton; ordered printed under joint rule.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.