

#### ACTS AND RESOLVES

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#### Chapter 189.

An Act to amend chapter eighty-seven of the Revised Statutes, in relation to actions by or against executors and administrators.

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

Chapter eighty-seven of the revised statutes is Ch. 87, R. S., SECT. 1. hereby amended as follows: By inserting at the end of section eighteen, the following, to wit:

'SECT. 19. If the supreme judicial court, upon a bill in equity filed by a creditor whose claim has not been prosecuted within the time limited by the preceding sections, is of opinion that justice and equity require it, and that such creditor is not chargeable with culpable neglect in not prosecuting his claim within the time so limited, it may give him judgment for the amount of his claim against the estate of the deceased person; but such judgment shall not affect any payment or distribution made before the filing of such bill.'

By striking out the figures nineteen, twenty, SECT. 2. twenty-one and twenty-two, after the word section, and inserting in place thereof the figures twenty, twenty-one, twentytwo and twenty-three.

Approved March 10, 1883.

Chapter 190.

An Act to amend section six of chapter one hundred and thirty-four of the Revised Statutes, relative to the swearing of witnesses.

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

That section six of chapter one hundred and thirty-four of sec 6, ch. 134, R. S., amended. the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting in the third line thereof, between the words "thereof" and "shall," the following words: 'stating the cases in which they testified,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows :

The attorney general, county attorney, or fore- Oath of witnesses <sup>•</sup>Sect. 6. man of the grand jury shall swear or affirm, in the presence jury. of the jury, all witnesses who are to testify before them, and a list thereof, stating the cases in which they testified, shall be returned into court by the foreman before the jury is discharged, and shall be filed and entered on record by the clerk.'

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When claim is not presented within the time limited, S. J. court may give judgment upon a bill filed in couity by creditor.

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