

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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[No. 7.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to the property of deceased married
women.

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

When a husband waives a provision made for him
2 in the will of his deceased wife, and in all cases
3 where she dies intestate, he shall be entitled to an
4 allowance from her personal estate, and a distributive

5 share in the residue thereof, in the same manner as a
6 widow is in the estate of her husband; and if she
7 leaves issue, he shall have the use of one third, if no
8 issue, one half of her real estate, for his life, to be
9 recovered and assigned in the manner and with the
10 rights of dower.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 11, 1857. }

Read twice, laid on the table, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the
use of the Legislature.

GEO. W. WILCOX, *Clerk.*