MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 67.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE.

AN ACT relative to the equity powers of the supreme judicial court.

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

Section 1. The supreme judicial court shall have

- 2 jurisdiction in equity between partners or part owners
- 3 to adjust all matters of the partnership and between
- 4 such part owners, compel contribution, make final
- 5 decrees, and enforce their decrees by proper process,
- 6 in all cases where all persons interested within the
- 7 jurisdiction of the court are made parties -- not with-
- 8 standing there may be other persons interested, not
- 9 within the jurisdiction of the court, who are not made
- 10 parties—but in such cases no decree shall affect the
- 11 rights of any person not a party to the suit, unless

- 12 such person shall voluntarily become a party before
- 13 final decree, except as hereinafter provided.
 - SECT. 2. In all such cases, the court shall have
 - 2 jurisdiction if the case requires it, over all property of
 - 3 the partnership or cotenancy within the state. And
 - 4 the other partners or cotenants out of the jurisdiction
 - 5 may protect their interest by coming in at any time
 - 6 as parties to the bill; but, if there is no such property
 - 7 within the state, the jurisdiction of the court shall be
 - 8 limited to the adjustment of accounts and compelling
 - 9 contribution between the parties, over whom the court
- 10 has jurisdiction.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, February 20, 1873.

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, by Mr. Vinton, and laid aside to be printed under the Joint Rule.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.