

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 25.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend chapter sixty-four of the revised statutes relating to exectuors and administrators.

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

SECTION 1. Section fourteen of chapter sixty-four
2 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking
3 out all of said section between "manner" in the third
4 line and "give" in the sixth line and inserting "but
5 nothing herein shall" instead, so that the section as
6 amended shall read :

7 "Sect. 14. Such will shall have the same force as if
8 it had been originally proved and allowed in the same
9 court in the usual manner, but nothing herein shall
10 give any operation and effect to the will of an alien

11 different from what it would have if originally proved
12 and allowed in this State.”

SECT. 2. Section seventeen of the same chapter is
2 hereby amended by striking out “other person” in the
3 last line of said section and inserting instead “ person
4 or persons,” so that the section as amended shall read :
5 “*Sect. 17.* Upon the decease of any person intestate
6 the judge of probate having jurisdiction shall grant
7 administration of such intestate goods or estate to the
8 widow, husband, next of kin, or husband of the daugh-
9 ter of the deceased, or to two or more of them, as he
10 thinks fit, if the applicant is over the age of twenty-
11 one years and in other respects suitably qualified for
12 the trust, but if they are unsuitable, or being residents
13 in the county, they after due notice neglect or refuse
14 for thirty days from the decease of the intestate to
15 take out letters of administration he may commit
16 administration on such estate to such person or persons
17 as he deems suitable.”

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 4, 1874. }

Reported from the Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. WILSON,
and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*