## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## FIFTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 47.

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to unclaimed goods held by common carriers.

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

Section 1. Whenever any goods, merchandise, pack-

- 2 ages or parcels, transported by any railroad, steam-
- 3 boat, express or stage company, shall remain unclaimed
- 4 for six months, the same may be sold by auction to
- 5 pay the charges thereon and the expense of advertis-
- 6 ing and selling the same.
  - SECT. 2. Before selling any of said articles as afore-
- 2 said, the company holding the same shall give thirty
- 3 days' notice of the time and place of sale, in a news-
- 4 paper published at the place where said articles are
- 5 held, and if no paper is published at said place, then
- 6 in a newspaper published at a place nearest thereto;

- 7 said notice shall describe said articles by all such
- 8 marks on them as serve to identify them, and the pro-
- 9 ceeds of sale, after deducting all charges and expense
- 10 of advertising and sale, shall be held for the persons
- 11 entitled thereto.
  - Sect. 3. All sales, under the provisions of this act,
  - 2 shall be recorded in a book kept for that purpose, in
  - 3 which the articles sold shall be correctly described,
  - 4 and the charges and expense on them, and the price
  - 5 at which they were sold, shall be entered, and the
  - 6 book shall be open to the inspection of all claimants.

## STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, February 12, 1874.

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

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.