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FIFTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE. No. 63.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT in relation to the execution of sentence in capital cases.

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

SECTION 1. Section eight of chapter one hundred and

2 thirty-five of the revised statutes, is hereby repealed.

SECT. 2. When any person is hereafter convicted of

- 2 a crime punishable with death and sentenced therefor,
- 3 the time for the execution of said sentence shall be
- 4 fixed by the court, which time shall be not less than
- 5 six months nor more than one year from the day on
- 6 which said sentence is passed, and the convict shall at
- 7 the same time be sentenced to solitary confinement in
- 8 the state prison till such punishment is inflicted.

SECT. 3. The governor shall seasonably issue his 2 warrant under the great seal of the state, directed to 3 the sheriff or one of his deputies of the county wherein 4 the state prison is situated, commanding him to carry 5 said sentence into execution at the time fixed by the 6 court, unless the governor with the advice and consent 7 of the council, shall pardon the convict or commute his 8 sentence.

Sect. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with 2 this act are hereby repealed.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, February 12, 1875.

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

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.