

FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 18.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section eighteen of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, relating to service on corporations in civil actions.

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

SECTION 1. Section eighteen of chapter eighty-one 2 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting 3 after the word "thereof" in the tenth line of said sec-4 tion, the words "and in all suits and proceedings at 5 law or in equity against any foreign or alien company 6 or corporation established by the laws of any other 7 state or country, and having a place of business within 8 this state or doing business therein, service of the writ, 9 bill, petition, or other process shall be sufficient if made 10 by leaving an attested copy thereof with the president, 11 clerk, cashier, treasurer, agent, director or attorney of

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12 such company or corporation, or by leaving such copy
13 at the office or place of business of such company or
14 corporation within this state," so that when amended
15 said section shall read as follows:

16In suits against a county, the summons Sect. 18. 17 shall be served by leaving an attested copy thereof 18 with one of the county commissioners or their clerk; 19 against a town, parish, religious society or school dis-20 trict, with the clerk, or one of the selectmen or asses-21 sors, if there is any such officer, if not, with a member 22 of such corporation; and against any other corpora-23 tion, however created, with its president, clerk, cashier, 24 treasurer, general agent, or director, if there is no such 25 officer or agent found within the county where such cor-26 poration is established, or where its records or papers 27 are by law required to be kept, with any member 28 thereof; and in all suits and proceedings at law or in 29 equity against any foreign or alien company or cor-30 poration established by the laws of any other state or 31 country, and having a place of business within this 32 state or doing business therein, service of the writ, 33 bill, petition, or other process shall be sufficient, if 34 made by leaving an attested copy thereof with the 35 president, clerk, cashier, treasurer, agent, director or 36 attorney of such company or corporation, or by leav-37 ing such copy at the office or place of business of such

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38 company or corporation within this state; and in each39 case it shall be so served thirty days before the return40 day thereof.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 19, 1877.

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

ORAMANDAL SMITH, Clerk.