

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 79.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to obtain uniform returns from railroad corporations.

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

Section thirty of the revised statutes, as amended by
2 an act amendatory of and additional to chapter fifty-
3 one of the revised statutes, concerning railroads, ap-
4 proved March three, eighteen hundred and seventy-
5 four, is hereby amended, by striking out section one of
6 said amendatory act, chapter two hundred and eigh-
7 teen of acts of eighteen hundred and seventy-four,
8 and substituting in its stead the following :

9 *Sect. 30.* The railroad commissioners shall pre-
10 scribe a form of returns uniform for all the railroads
11 in the state, and designed to produce uniformity in

12 the annual railroad returns of all the railroads in New
13 England, in substance the same as that exhibited in
14 an appendix to their report made to the governor De-
15 cember thirty, eighteen hundred and seventy-six.
16 Every railroad corporation shall make an annual re-
17 turn to the railroad commissioners on or before Decem-
18 ber first of its operations for each year ending Septem-
19 ber thirtieth, to be verified by the oath of its treasurer,
20 and said return shall conform as near as practicable to
21 the blank forms to be prescribed and furnished by the
22 railroad commissioners. If any railroad corporation
23 shall wilfully neglect to make such return, it shall
24 forfeit one hundred dollars to the use of the state.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 31, 1877. }

Reported from the Committee on Railroads, by Mr. ROBIE of Gorham, and ordered
printed under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*