

## Sixty-Second Legislature.

No. 133.

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section forty-six of chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes, relating to Discharges under the Insolvent Law.

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

SECTION 1. Section forty-six of chapter seventy 2 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by 3 striking out the words "a cash book and other," 4 in the nineteenth line, so that said section, when 5 amended, shall read as follows:

'SECT. 46. A discharge shall not be granted, 7 or if granted, be valid, if the debtor has sworn 8 falsely, or if he has concealed any property, books 9 or papers relating to his estate and business, or if,

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10 having reasonable cause to believe himself insol-11 vent, or being contemplative of insolvency, he has, 12 within four months of the issuing of the warrant, 13 paid or secured, directly or indirectly, in whole or 14 in part, any borrowed money or pre-existing debt, 15 or any liability of his or for him, or if he has 16 caused his effects to be attached, or if he has 17 destroyed, altered, mutilated or falsified any of his 18 books, documents, papers, writings or securities, 19 or has made or been privy to the making of any 20 false or fraudulent entry in any book of account 21 or other document, with intent to defraud his cred-22 itors, or give a preference contrary to this chapter, 23 or has moved or allowed to be moved, any property 24 with a like intent, or has made any fraudulent 25 payment, gift, transfer, conveyance or assignment 26 of any part of his property, or if, having knowl-27 edge that any person has proved a false debt 28 against his estate, he has not disclosed the same to 29 the assignee within thirty days after such knowl-30 edge, or if, being a merchant or trader, he has not, 31 since March twenty-three, eighteen hundred and 32 seventy-eight, kept proper books of account. 33 And the discharge is null and void, if the debtor, 34 or any person in his behalf, has procured the 35 assent of any creditor thereto, by any pecuniary 36 consideration, or promise of any future prefer-37 ence.'

SECT. 2. This act shall not apply to pending 2 proceedings.

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IN SENATE CHAMBER, February 25, 1885.

Reported by Mr. RAY, from Committee on Judiciary, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

C. W. TILDEN, Secretary.