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Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 100.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to abolish the Superior Court established in and for the County of Kennebec and to establish two additional terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in said County.

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

- Section 1. The superior court established in and for
- 2 the county of Kennebec is hereby abolished and all acts
- 3 and parts of acts and that part of the Revised Statutes
- 4 relating to the establishment, existence and jurisdiction of
- 5 said superior court are hereby repealed.
- SECT. 2. Section forty-seven of chapter seventy-seven
- 2 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out
- 3 the words "Kennebec at Augusta on the first Tuesday of
- 4 March and the third Tuesday of October for civil business"

5 and inserting in place thereof 'Kennebec at August, on the 6 second Tuesday of June for civil business, and on the first 7 Tuesday of March, the third Tuesday of October and the 8 second Tuesday of December for civil and criminal 9 business.'

All indictments and informations, and all Sect. 3. 2 criminal processes pending in said superior court at the 3 end of the June, 1891 term thereof shall be transferred 4 to the supreme judicial court and shall be entered upon 5 the docket of the same at the October, 1891, term thereof 6 and shall have day therein, and all warrants and recog-7 nizances, appeals in criminal cases and all criminal pro-8 cesses whatever which but for the passage of this act 9 would be returnable to, or which by law would be entered 10 in said superior court at the September 1891 term thereof 11 shall be returnable to and entered upon the docket of the 12 supreme judicial court at the October 1891 term thereof 13 and shall have day therein, and all grand jurors, witnesses 14 and others in criminal matters who would, but for the 15 passage of this act be held to appear at said superior court 16 at the September 1891 term thereof, shall be held to 17 appear at the supreme judicial court at the October 1891 18 term thereof and said grand jurors shall also attend at the 19 December 1891 and March 1892 terms of the supreme 20 judicial court.

SECT. 4. All civil actions or proceedings which but for 2 the passage of this act would be returnable to and entered 3 at the September, 1891 or December, 1891 terms of said 4 superior court are hereby made returnable to and shall be 5 entered at the October, 1891 and December, 1891 terms 6 of the supreme judicial court, respectively, and all civil

- 7 actions or proceedings which may be pending in said
- 8 superior court at the time when this act takes effect shall
- 9 be transferred to the docket of the supreme judicial court
- 10 and further proceedings therein shall be had according to
- 11 the rules and practice of the supreme judicial court.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect August 1, 1891.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled:

The undersigned, a committee duly appointed at a meeting of the Kennebec Bar, held on Friday, February 13, 1891, in accordance with the instructions of said bar, hereby petition your Honorable Body for the passage of the accompanying bill abolishing the superior court for the county of Kennebec and establishing two additional terms of the supreme judicial court in said county.

E. F. Webb,
F. E. Southard,

Leslie C. Cornish,
L. T. Carleton,
Fred Emery Beane,
Geo. W. Hezelton,

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, February 18, 1891.

Tabled, pending reference to committee, by Mr. CLASON of Gardiner, and ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.