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Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 42.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED

AND NINETY-FIVE

AN ACT entitled "An Act to call a special meeting of the legal voters in the county of York to vote upon the removal of the county buildings from Alfred to Biddeford and providing that all terms of the Supreme Judicial Court be holden in Biddeford."

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

Section 1. The several terms of the supreme judicial 2 court which are now required to be holden at Alfred and 3 at Saco in and for the county of York, shall after the 4 first day of January, A. D., 1897, be holden at Biddeford 5 in said county; and all writs, processes of any kind, and 6 all proceedings shall after that time be made returnable 7 accordingly; and all writs, processes and proceedings

8 commenced prior to that time which would otherwise be 9 returnable to the January, A. D. 1897, term of said court 10 at said Saco, shall be entered and have day, and be 11 returned, in said court at said Biddeford.

Sect. 2. Before said first day of January, A. D. 1897, 2 the county commissioners of said county of York, or a 3 majority of them, are hereby authorized, empowered and 4 required to cause a court house and a jail suitable for the 5 purposes and uses of the county to be erected at said Bid-6 deford, suitable for the courts and offices and the deten-7 tion, confinement and punishment of prisoners arrested 8 and confined in the county, and to procure a loan of 9 money for that purpose, and assess taxes for the same in 10 such amounts and at such times as in their judgment 11 shall be most advantageous to the interests of said county.

SECT. 3. The county commissioners shall forthwith, 2 after rooms for the accommodation of the court and offi3 cers as specified in section two of this act have been pro4 vided, cause the records in all the county offices, including 5 the registry of deeds, registry of probate, the records of 6 the county commissioners and the records and files of all 7 the courts which now are or have been held in said county, 8 to be removed to the places prepared for them at said 9 Biddeford, which from that time forward shall be the 10 shire town of said county, and said commissioners shall 11 cause notice of the fact that suitable rooms have been 12 provided as provided in section two of this act, and of the 13 removal of the records aforesaid, by publication in all the

14 public newspapers printed in said county, also in the 15 State paper, and to be continued in all the daily and 16 weekly issues of each of said papers for three weeks suc-17 cessively thereafter.

Sect. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith 2 are hereby repealed.

SECT. 5. The selectmen of the several towns in said 2 county of York, and the mayors and aldermen of the cities 3 of Biddeford and Saco in said county, shall call a meeting 4 of the legal voters of said several towns and cities, in each 5 of said several towns and cities, on the second Tuesday of 6 May, A. D. 1895, said meetings to be notified and called 7 in the same manner as meetings are called for the election 8 of state and county officers, to vote upon the adoption or 9 rejection of sections one, two and three of this act.

SECT. 6. The secretary of state shall furnish for the 2 purpose named in section five of this act, ballots in the 3 same form in which ballots for the election of state and 4 county officers are printed, upon each of which ballots 5 shall be printed in one column the word "Yes," and in 6 another column the word "No," and the balloting, the 7 receiving, sorting and counting of said ballots, and the 8 return of the same, shall be in the same manner as the same 9 is done at the meetings for the election of state and county 10 officers. And the governor and council, at their first 11 meeting after said ballots have been so cast, counted and 12 returned, shall canvass said returns in the same manner 13 that the returns in state and county elections are can-

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14 vassed. If, upon the said canvass of said returns it 15 appears that a majority of the persons voting have voted 16 "no," then the provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3 of this 17 act shall be void and of no force.

STATE OF MAINE,

IN SENATE, February 5, 1895.

Presented by Mr. PRESCOTT of York, and on motion by same Senator, laid on table to be printed pending reference to York County Delegation.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.