

Seventieth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 453

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND ONE.

AN ACT relative to actions for libel.

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

Section I. Whoever wilfully and maliciously states, de-2 livers or transmits by any means whatever to the manager, 3 editor, publisher or reporter of any newspaper, magazine, 4 publication, periodical or serial, for publication therein, any 5 false or libelous statement concerning any person or corpora-6 tion, and thereby secures the actual publication of the same, 7 shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by fine not ex-8 ceeding five hundred dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding 9 one year, or by both fine and imprisonment.

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STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AUGUSTA, March 15, 1901.

Reported by Mr. CHASE of Portland, from Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.