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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 438

House of Representatives, Feb. 27, 1915.

Reported by Mr. Conners from Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed under joint rules.

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend An Act establishing the Bangor Municipal Court; also amendatory to an amendment to said Act passed in 1905, Laws thereof, Chapter 392.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 10 of said act is hereby amended so that said section shall read as follows:

'Sect. 10. Said Court may adjourn from time to time, 4 but shall be considered in constant session for the trial of 5 criminal offenses; and for the transaction of civil business 6 shall be held on the first and third Mondays of each month 7 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, except the month of August, 8 provided, however, that said Court shall be held on every

9 Monday of each month, for the entry and trial of actions 10 of forcible entry and detainer, and judgment in such actions II may be entered on the day when the same are defaulted or 12 heard and determined; and whenever the judge is absent, 13 or temporarily unable to attend, at any term of said court, 14 the clerk may enter new actions, returnable at that term. 15 receive and file pleas, motions and other papers cognizable 16 by said Court, and enter up judgment in all defaulted ac-17 tions including forcible entry and detained and may, then, 18 by proclamation, adjourn the Court to a day certain or to 19 the next term; provided, however, that said Court shall 20 not, during the month of August, be open for the trial of 21 any civil action, except that of forcible entry and detainer, 22 and during the month of August of each year, the clerk of 23 said Court is hereby empowered and authorized to hear and 24 determine and render judgment in all actions of forcible 25 entry and detainer. In case of the more permanent dis-26 ability of the Judge or his being interested in any suit or in 27 the case of his continued absence, or vacancy in his office, 28 the clerk shall notify any Justice of the Supreme Judicial 29 Court, who shall designate a Trial Justice in said county, 30 who upon being duly sworn, may hold said Court during 31 the continuance of such vacancy or absence, or until such 32 disability is removed, or try any suit in which said Judge 33 may be interested.

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Section 3 of said Act, as amended, by Chapter 302, Laws 35 of 1905, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 3. Said Court shall have concurrent jurisdiction 37 with the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Penob-38 scot of larceny from the person, and of all larcenies as de-39 scribed in the revised statutes, section 1, 6, 7, and 10, chap-40 ter 121, when the value of the property is not alleged to ex-41 ceed one hundred dollars; and of the offenses described in 42 sections 1 and 4, chapter 127, when the value of the prop-43 erty is not alleged to exceed one hundred dollars; and of 44 the offenses described in section 4, chapter 133, when they 45 are not of a high and aggravated nature; and of the of-46 fenses described in sections 1, 8 and 10, chapter 128, when 47 the damage or injury done is not alleged to exceed one hun-48 dred dollars, and on conviction of any or all the aforesaid 49 crimes and misdemeanors may punish by fine not exceeding 50 one hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail, 51 not exceeding six months; and of the offenses relating to 52 gambling in sections 1 and 2, chapter 126, and of the of-53 fenses described in section 74 and 80, chapter 52, relating 54 to punishment for intoxication of certain railroad employees, 55 and for disorderly conduct in public conveyances, and of 56 offenses described in section 6, chapter 125, and may pun-57 ish for said offenses as provided by law.'