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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS SESSION, WHICH COMMENCED ON WEDNESDAY, THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF MAY, AND ENDED ON THE TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF JUNE, A. D. 1820.

TO WHICH IS PREFIXED,

THE

CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE.

Published agreeably to a Resolution of June 28, 1820.

PORTLAND:

PRINTED BY FRANCIS DOUGLAS, PRINTER TO THE STATE. 1820.

CHAPTER XVI.

AN ACT to alter and change the names of certain persons therein mentioned.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That from and after the passing of this act, John Godfrey Stevens, of Fryeburg, in the county of Oxford, shall be allowed to take the name of John Stevens Bradford; that Susanna Smith, of York, in the county of York, widow of Benjamin Smith, late of Salem, deceased, shall be allowed to take the name of Susanna Preble; that Mary Poole, of Portland, in the county of Cumberland, single woman, shall be allowed to take the name of Mary Richardson Poole; that Asaph Nichols, of Winslow, in the county of Kennebec, Gentleman, shall be allowed to take the name of Asaph Rice Nichols; that Benjamin Thompson, Junior of Topsham, in the county of Lincoln, son of the late Alexander Thompson, of said Topsham, shall be allowed to take the name of Alpheus B. Thompson; that John R. Lisherness, of Vassalborough, in the county of Kennebec, shall be allowed to take the name of Ranlet Ness; that Daniel Stone, the second, of Brunswick, in the county of Cumberland, shall be allowed to take the name of Daniel Perkins Stone. And said persons in future shall be respectively known and called by the names, which they are respectively allowed to take as aforesaid; and the same shall hereafter be considered as their only proper names to all intents and purposes.

June, 23, 1820—Approved,

WILLIAM KING.

CHAPTER XVII.

AN ACT establishing a Supreme Judicial Court within this State.

Sect. 1. BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Court establish Representatives in Legislature assembled, That there shall be a Supreme Judicial Court within this State, to consist of one Chief Justice and two other Justices, each of whom shall be an inhabitant of this State, of sobriety of manners and learned in the law, to be appointed and commissioned as is by the Constitution provided, and they or any two of them, shall be a Jurisdiction, &c. Court, and have cognizance of pleas real, personal and mixed; and of all civil actions between party and party, and between

> the State and any of the citizens thereof, whether the same do concern the realty, and relate to right of freehold, inheritance or possession, whether the same do concern the personalty,