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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE;

TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED

THE

CONSTITUTION OF THE U. STATES

AND OF SAID STATE,

IN TWO VOLUMES,

WITH AN APPENDIX.

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VOL. I.

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1821.

imprisonment in the common gaol for a term not exceeding thirty days, according to the aggravation of the offence.

[Approved February 24, 1821.]

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CHAPTER V.

An Act against Sodomy and Bestiality.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That if any man shall commit the crime against nature with a man or male child, or any man or woman shall have carnal copulation with a beast, every such offender, being duly convicted thereof in the Supreme Judicial Court, shall be punished by solitary imprisonment, for such term, not exceeding one year, and by confinement afterwards to hard labour for such term, not exceeding ten years, as the Justices of said Court, before whom the conviction may be shall sentence and order.

Crime of Sodomy.

Punishment.

[Approved Feb. 19, 1821.]

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CHAPTER VI.

An Act providing for the punishment of Crimes of Burglary and other breaking and entering of buildings.

SEC. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That if any person with intent to kill, rob, steal, commit a rape, or to do, or perpetrate any other felony, shall, in the night time, break and enter, or having with such felonious intent, entered, shall in the night time break a dwelling house, any person then being lawfully therein, and such offender being, at the time of such breaking or entering, armed with a dangerous weapon, or arming himself or herself in such house, with a dangerous weapon or committing an actual assault upon any person lawfully being in such house; every such offender, and any person present, aiding, assisting or consenting in such burglary, or accessory thereto before the fact, by counselling, hiring or procuring such burglary to be committed, who

Punishment of the crime of Burglary, the offender being armed with a dangerous weapon, or making an actual assault, and being accessory before the fact.