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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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procure the commission of the crime of perjury.

another person to commit wilful and corrupt perjury, as aforesaid, and the person, so incited, do not commit such perjury, the person so corruptly endeavouring to incite, and procure the committing of perjury, shall be punished by solitary imprisonment, for a term not exceeding two months, and by confinement afterwards to hard labour, for a term not exceeding five years.

Persons convicted of such crimes not to be received as witnesses, until reversed, &c.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That the oath of any person offending in any manner aforesaid, and thereof duly convicted as aforesaid, shall not be received, in any Court of record, until such time as the judgment given against such person shall be reversed.

[Approved February 27, 1821.]

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CHAPTER XIII.

An Act for the Suppression and Punishment of Cheats.

Cheating by false pretences.

SEC. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That all persons, who knowingly and designedly, by false pretence or pretences, shall obtain from any person or persons, money, goods, wares, merchandize or other things, with intent to cheat, or defraud any person or persons of the same, shall, on conviction thereof, before the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, be sentenced to pay a fine to the use of the State, not less than forty dollars, and not exceeding four hundred dollars; or be sentenced to be confined to hard labour, for a term not exceeding seven years, at the discretion of the Court before whom such conviction shall be had.

Punishable in Supreme Jud. Court.

Supreme Jud. Court to have exclusive jurisdiction of all gross frauds at common law.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the Supreme Judicial Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of all gross frauds or cheats at common law; and any person who shall, before said Court, be convicted of any such fraud or cheat, shall be sentenced by the said Court to receive such punishment, as is provided in and by the first section of this Act.

[Approved February 14, 1821.]