

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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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## CHAPTER LXXV.

An Act determining the times and places for holding the Circuit Court of Common Pleas in the county of York.

Times and places.

SEC. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That from and after the passing of this Act, the times for holding the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, within and for the County of York, shall be as follows, to wit:—At Alfred, on the second Monday of February; at York, on the last Monday of May; and at Alfred, on the fourth Monday of September, annually.

Saving clause as to processes depending, &c.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That all writs, recognisances, warrants, complaints, appeals, and every other process, matter or thing, which, before the passing of this Act, might or ought to be returned to, or entered at the Court aforesaid, at any time heretofore appointed for holding the same, and which is altered by this Act; and all parties and persons who have been or may be required to appear and attend at the aforesaid times; and all actions, suits, matters and things, which may be pending in the said Court, at the times aforesaid, shall be returned to, entered at, appear, attend and have day, and be tried and determined in the said Court, at the times and places appointed by this Act; and all laws heretofore passed in any manner repugnant to, or inconsistent with, the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed.

[Approved March 17, 1821.]

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## CHAPTER LXXVI.

An Act describing the power of Justices of the Peace in Civil and Criminal Cases.

General jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, and their duty in criminal cases, in arresting, trying, recognising and committing offenders.

SEC. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That it shall be within the power, and be the duty of every Justice of the Peace within his county, to punish by fine not exceeding five dollars, all assaults and batteries that are not of a high and aggravated nature, and to examine into all homicides, murders, treasons, and felonies done and committed in his coun-