

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS SESSION, HELD IN JANUARY, 1831.

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Portland.

TODD AND HOLDEN.....PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1831.

CHAPTER DXII.

AN ACT, additional to an Act, establishing the Court of Common Pleas.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That from and after the first day of June next, no Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, shall hold more than one term in the same county within this State, in the same year, unless obliged so to do on account of the sickness, or unavoidable absence of the Judge whose duty it may be to hold the same.

No Judge of C. C. Pleas to hold more than one term in same county in same year.

[Approved by the Governor, March 29, 1831.]

CHAPTER DXIII.

AN ADDITIONAL ACT exempting certain goods and chattels from attachment, execution and distress.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That all fire wood that may have been conveyed to the house of any person for the use of himself and family, shall be exempt from attachment, execution and distress: Provided, That no person shall have at any one time, more than twelve cords exempted as aforesaid.

Fire wood, not exceeding twelve cords, exempt from attachment, execution and distress.

[Approved by the Governor, March 29, 1831.]

CHAPTER DXIV.

AN ACT to abolish Special Pleading.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That in all civil actions the defendant shall plead the

General issue to be pleaded in all civil actions. Special matter may be given in evidence. Brief statement to be filed. Adverse party entitled to a copy.

general issue, which shall be joined by the plaintiff, and either party may give in evidence any special matter in support or defence of the action, upon filing in the cause a brief statement of such special matter, either of law or fact, within such time as the Court shall order, of which statement the other party shall be entitled to a copy.

[Approved by the Governor, March 30, 1831.]

CHAPTER DXV.

AN ACT altering the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, in the Counties of Hancock and Washington.

Times of holding S. J. C. in Hancock and Washington.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That in future, the Supreme Judicial Court, shall annually be holden at Machias, within and for the county of Washington, on the fourth Tuesday, next following the fourth Tuesday of May; and at Castine, within and for the county of Hancock, on the fifth Tuesday, next following the fourth Tuesday of May, instead of the Tuesdays, on which, by law, they are now to be holden respectively.

Processes now pending to be acted upon accordingly.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That all writs, processes, and recognizances returnable to, and all matters and things, which could be legally acted upon, at the respective terms aforesaid, of said Court, as now, by law established, shall be returned to, and may be acted upon, at the terms of said Court respectively, to be holden according to the provisions of this act.

[Approved by the Governor, March 30, 1831.]