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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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**Chapter 158.**

CHAP. 158.

An act to change the terms of the criminal court in the county of Penobscot.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECT. 1. So much of the act in the sixteenth section of chapter two hundred and forty-six, passed April ninth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, as provides for the transaction of criminal business in the county of Penobscot on the last Tuesday of February, the first Tuesday of June, and the last Tuesday of November, is hereby repealed, and the terms of said court shall be holden for the transaction of such business on the first Tuesday of August and the first Tuesday of February in each year instead of the terms and times provided in said sixteenth section.

Supreme court, Penobscot county, terms for criminal business, changed.

SECT. 2. All actions, indictments, petitions, recognizances and all processes of every kind and description, pending in the criminal court in said county, and all actions, indictments, petitions, recognizances and processes of every kind and description, made returnable to said court, shall have day, and be heard at the term to be holden on the first Tuesday of August next.

Actions pending, when returnable, &c.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect from and after the thirty-first day of March eighteen hundred and fifty-five.

[Approved March 16, 1855.]

**Chapter 159.**

An act to abolish the municipal court in the city of Portland, and to establish a police court in said city.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECT. 1. There is hereby established in and for the city of Portland a court to be denominated the police court of Portland, to consist of one judge, to be appointed in the manner and for the term provided in the constitution.

Police court, city of Portland, established.

SECT. 2. Said judge shall have concurrent jurisdiction with justices of the peace in all matters civil and criminal, within the county of Cumberland, and with justices of the peace and quorum in all cases of forcible entry and detainer, and concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial court in all civil actions, except actions of quare clausum and such as concerns the title to real estate where the party defendant, or the person summoned as trustee, resides within said county, and where the amount claimed in dam-

Judge, powers and jurisdiction of.