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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE.

1864.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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## CHAP. 272.

## Chapter 272.

An act amending chapter eighty-two, section seventy-nine of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court.

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

Chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out section seventy-nine, and inserting in place thereof, the following provisions, viz : *No defendant shall be compelled to testify in suits when the cause of action implies an offence against the criminal law on the part of said defendant ; and if he shall offer himself as a witness, he shall be held to waive his privilege of not testifying where his testimony might criminate himself. But his testimony shall not be used in evidence against him in any criminal prosecution involving the same subject matter.*

Approved March 25, 1864.

## Chapter 273.

An act to change the time of holding the April term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Knox, and the time of holding the May term of said court in the county of Lincoln.

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

SECT. 1. After the present year of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, the supreme judicial court shall be holden on the third Tuesday of April annually, at Rockland, within and for the county of Knox, instead of the last Tuesday of April, as is now provided by law.

SECT. 2. The said court shall be holden on the second Tuesday of May annually, at Wiscasset, within and for the county of Lincoln, instead of the first Tuesday of May, as is now provided by law. And all matters pending in, or returnable to said court, and which would have day at the term of said court to be held on the first Tuesday of May of the present year, but for the provisions of this act, shall be returnable to, and have day at the term of said court to be held on the second Tuesday of May of the current year.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect on approval by the governor.

Approved March 25, 1864.

Chap. 82, sec.  
79, R. S.,  
amended.

Defendant not  
compelled to  
testify, &c.

—if he offer  
himself as  
witness, &c.

—testimony  
not to be used  
against him.

S. J. C. Knox  
co., April term  
of changed.

S. J. C. Lincoln  
co., May term  
of, changed.

Matters  
pending, when  
to have day.