

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1887.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

CHAP. 190

Approved March 3, 1887.

Chapter 190.

An Act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of Dexter.

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

SECT. 1. In addition to its present jurisdiction, the said court shall further have concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial court, in all personal actions, where the debt or damage claimed is over twenty dollars, and not over fifty dollars, and the defendants, or either of the defendants or person or persons summoned as trustees, is resident in said county of Penobscot; but this jurisdiction shall not include proceedings under the divorce laws, or complaints under the mill act, so called.

Concurrent
jurisdiction,
enlarged

SECT. 2. If any defendant, in any action in said court, where the amount claimed in the writ exceeds twenty dollars, or his agent or attorney shall, on the return day of the writ, file in said court a motion asking that said action be removed to the supreme judicial court, accompanied by his pleadings in said action, and shall at the same time deposit with the recorder or judge, the sum of two dollars for copies, to be taxed in his costs if he prevails, the said action shall be removed into the supreme judicial court for said county, and the recorder or judge shall forthwith cause certified copies of the writ, officer's return, and pleas, to be filed in the clerk's office of said supreme court; and said action shall be entered on the docket of the term next preceding said filing, and shall be in order for trial at the next succeeding term. If no such motion is filed, the said municipal court shall proceed and determine said action, subject to the right of appeal in either party, as now provided by law. The pleadings in such cases shall be the same as in the supreme judicial court.

Actions may be
removed to the
S. J. Court.

SECT. 3. In actions where the amount recovered by plaintiff, exclusive of costs, exceeds twenty dollars, or the amount claimed exceeds twenty dollars, where the defendant prevails, the costs shall be the same as in the supreme judicial court, except the costs to be taxed for attendance shall be two dollars and fifty cents for said term.

Costs, how
taxed.

Approved March 3, 1887.