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Chapter 158.

An Act to change time of holding sessions of County Commissioners in Aroostook County.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in

Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section 1. Section six, chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended, so far as it relates to holding annual sessions of the county commissioners in the county of Aroostook, so that that part of said section shall read as follows: 'Aroostook, on the first Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September and November.'

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1903.

Chapter 159.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter seventy-five of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and by Chapters one hundred and ninety-three and one hundred and ninety-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to Descent of Real Estate.

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

Section I. Section one of chapter seventy-five of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and also as amended by chapters one hundred and ninety-three and one hundred and ninety-six, of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, is hereby further amended so that said section one, as hereby amended, shall read as follows:

'Section I. The real estate of a person deceased intestate, being subject to the payment of debts, including a wood lot or other land used with the farm or dwelling house although not cleared, and also including wild lands of which he dies seized, but excepting wild lands conveyed by him, though afterwards cleared, descends according to the following rules:

'Rule I. If he leaves a widow and issue, one-third to the widow. If no issue, one-half to the widow. And if no kindred, the whole to the widow. And to the widower shall descend the same shares in his wife's real estate. There shall likewise descend to the widow or widower the same share in all such real estate of which the deceased was seized during coverture, and which has not been barred or released as herein provided. In

Section 1 of chapter 75, R. S., as amended by chapter 157, public Laws of 1895, and by chapters 198 and 196, public laws of 1897, further amended.

Rules for descent.

Descent to the widow.

—to the widower.