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**Chapter 253.****CHAP. 253**

An Act to Amend Section Thirteen of Chapter Two Hundred Four of the Public Laws of Eighteen Hundred Fifty-six, Relating to the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland.

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Section 1. Section thirteen of chapter two hundred four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred fifty-six is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Ch. 204, Sec.  
13, P. L.,  
1856,  
amended.

'Section 13. When the office of judge shall be vacant, the recorder shall finish the business pending before the court, and shall have jurisdiction over all new business and carry on the business of the court during any vacancy in the office of judge. The recorder shall further have and enjoy all the powers and privileges during his term of office that are now accorded to the judge.'

Recorder  
shall act in  
place of  
judge dur-  
ing vacancy.

Section 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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sistent acts  
repealed.

Approved March 31, 1915.

**Chapter 254.**

An Act to Amend Section Two of Chapter Two Hundred Four of the Public Laws of Eighteen Hundred Fifty-six, in Relation to the Jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland, as Amended by Section One of Chapter Twenty-eight of the Public Laws of Eighteen Hundred Eighty-seven and Section One of Chapter One Hundred Thirty-four of the Public Laws of Eighteen Hundred Ninety-five.

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Section two of chapter two hundred four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred fifty-six as amended by section one of chapter twenty-eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-seven and section one of chapter one hundred thirty-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five is hereby amended by striking out said section two and inserting the following:

Ch. 204, Sec.  
2, P. L.,  
1856, as  
amended,  
further  
amended.

'Section 2. Said court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of all civil actions in which the debt or damages demanded do not exceed twenty dollars, and both parties, or the defendant, or a person summoned in good faith as trustee, reside in the city of Portland, and of all cases of forcible entry and detainer, where the property demanded is in said city; and of all criminal offenses, and misdemeanors committed in said city as are cognizable by municipal or police courts or trial justices, or

Jurisdic-  
tion of  
Portland  
municipal  
court, as  
provided  
herein.

## CHAP. 255

Cases  
against de-  
fendants re-  
siding in  
different  
counties,  
how dis-  
posed of.

—jurisdic-  
tion in ac-  
tion, where  
title of real  
estate is  
involved.

—adminis-  
ter oaths,  
render judg-  
ments, etc.

are within the additional jurisdiction and authority conferred upon this court. In actions against two or more defendants or trustees, residing in different counties, where one defendant or trustee resides in this county concurrent jurisdiction with other trial justices or municipal or police courts in the county where either of the defendants reside, as is provided in section sixteen of chapter eighty-three and section five of chapter eighty-eight of the Revised Statutes of this State, and concurrent with other trial justices or municipal or police courts in the county of Cumberland, over all matters and things, civil and criminal, within their jurisdiction, where exclusive jurisdiction is not otherwise conferred by law; and concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior court in the county of Cumberland, in all personal actions including actions of replevin when a defendant or person summoned in good faith as trustee resides in the county of Cumberland, where the debt, damages or goods demanded, exclusive of costs, exceed twenty dollars and do not exceed two hundred dollars. This jurisdiction shall not include actions in which the title to real estate according to pleadings filed by either party, is in question, excepting as is provided in chapter ninety-six of the Revised Statutes, sections six and seven, and excepting as is provided in chapter eighty-five of the Revised Statutes, section three. All the provisions of the statutes of this Staet relative to the attachment of real estate and personal property and the levying of executions, shall be applicable to actions in this court, and executions on judgments rendered therein. Said court is hereby authorized to administer oaths, render judgments, issue executions, certify copies of its records, punish for contempt and compel attendance as in the Superior court of this county.'

Approved March 31, 1915.

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### Chapter 255.

An Act to Repeal Section Nine of Chapter Seventy-three of the Revised Statutes, Requiring the Consent of Overseers of the Poor to Sales of Real Estate by Guardians in Certain Cases.

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Section nine of chapter seventy-three of the Revised Statutes, requiring the consent of overseers of the poor to sales of real estate by guardians in certain cases, is hereby repealed.

Section 9  
of chapter  
73, R. S.,  
repealed.

Approved March 31, 1915.