State of Maine

In the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and fifty-seven

An act to amend chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the Public Laws, approved March seventeenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five.

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

Sec. 1 That chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the Public Laws, approved March seventeenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, be amended, by striking out all after section three in said chapter, and inserting three additional sections, so that said shall read, as amended, as follows:

Sec. 2. Sec. 4. When it shall come to the knowledge of any county Attorney, that any person has been arrested, at any place within his county, and claimed as a fugitive slave, under the provisions of the acts of Congress aforesaid, he shall immediately repair to the place where
such person is held in custody, and render
him all necessary and legal assistance, in mak-
ing his defense against said claim.

Sec. 5. When the county attorney lives at such
a distance from the place where said person is
held in custody, that he cannot be informed of
said arrest in season to assist in making such de-
fense, it shall be the duty of any Attorney, or coun-
ciller at law, who shall be required by such arrested
person, or his friends, to render him such aid; and
such attorney or counclller shall forthwith notify
the County Attorney of such arrest, who upon his
arrival shall take charge of the case, and may
employ such further counsel and assistance as
he may deem requisite.

Sec. 6. It shall be the duty of the attorney, hav-
ing charge of such defense, to summon such
witnesses as he shall deem necessary to substan-
tiate such defense, whose fees, and all other
necessary and legal expense incurred in making
such defense, shall be paid by the state.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from and
after its approval by the governor.
Bill
An Act to amend
Chapter One hundred
and eighty two of the Public
Law, approved March 19
1865.

In Senate Feb 3. 1857
referred to Joint Select Com.
for Slavery and Kansas
Affairs.

J. B. Hale Sot
J. R. Hale Sect

House of Representatives
Feb 5. 1857
referred in concurrence
G. W. Wilcox clerk.
State of Maine

In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven

An act additional to "An act further to protect personal liberty"

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

Sec. 1. When it shall come to the knowledge of any County Attorney, that any person has been arrested, at any place within his county, and claimed as a fugitive from justice under the provisions of any act of Congress, the said County Attorney shall immediately repair to the place where such person is held in custody, and render him all necessary and legal assistance in making
his defense against said claim.

Sec. 2 It shall be the duty of the said County Attorney, to summon such witnesses as he shall deem necessary to substantiate such defense, whose fees, and all other necessary and legal expenses incurred in making such defense, shall be paid by the State.

Sec. 3 The act shall take effect from and after it is approved by the governor.

In Senate, March 23, 1857

This bill having had two several readings, was passed to be engrossed for the use of

Geo. A. Atwood, Secretary of State.

April 13, 1857.
An act add. to an act for the further enforcement of the Federal Liberty
State of Maine.

The Joint Select Committee on Slavery and Kansas affairs to which was referred the Bill entitled, An Act to amend Chapter One hundred and eighty-two of the Public Laws, approved March 17, 1855, has had the same under consideration, and asks leave to Report, that the Bill ought to pass, which is herewith submitted. The Bill in a new draft.

[Signature]
Chairman.

In Senate, Mar. 9, 1856

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

[Signature]
Secretary.

House of Representatives, Mar. 24, 1856

Read and concurred.

[Signature]
Clerk.
Bell

Mar 14
1 R. Potts
Age 13 Engraved

23. P. S. 29

Mar 24 Read 2
An act for the relief of the children of the late
Edward Potts, Esq. of the Town of New York.

Mar 24
State of Maine.

In Senate, Mar. 23rd, 1857.

The Committee on Bills in the second reading have examined an act entitled an act additional to an act further to protect personal liberty.

and report the same without amendment

Samuel Berry
Per Order,

Accepted.

T. W. Clark
Secretary pro tem.