

## FIRST SESSION.

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## Chap. 94.

AN ACT to amend "*An Act to organize the Supreme Court of California.*"

Passed April 13, 1850.

*The People of the State of California, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :*

§ 1. The eighth section of the Act entitled an "Act to organize the Supreme Court of California," which is in the following words, viz. "There shall be held at the City of San Francisco, on the first Monday of March next, a special term of the Supreme Court. And thereafter there shall be held two regular terms at the seat of government in each year severally, to commence on the first Monday of June and December, and to continue until the eighth Saturday thereafter inclusive, unless all causes and proceedings ready for hearing be sooner heard. The terms may, however, be continued until the first day of the next succeeding term, if the Court deem such continuance necessary; and the said Court shall have power at any time during the term to adjourn for any number of days not exceeding ten," is hereby amended, so that the same shall read as follows, viz. There shall be held at the City of San Francisco on the first Monday of March next, a special term of the Supreme Court, and the first two regular terms thereafter shall be held at the said City of San Francisco, severally to commence on the first Monday of June and December, and to continue until the eighth Saturday thereafter inclusive; unless all causes and proceedings ready for hearing be sooner heard. The terms may, however, be continued until the first day of the succeeding term, if the Court shall deem such continuance necessary, and the said Court shall have power at any time during the term to adjourn for any number of days not exceeding ten: *Provided*, that, after the above named terms, the Court shall hold its sessions at the seat of government.

Sec. 8 of chap.  
15 amended.

## Chap. 95.

AN ACT adopting the *Common Law*.

Passed April 13, 1850.

*The People of the State of California, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :*

The Common Law of England, so far as it is not repugnant to or inconsistent with the Constitution of the United States, or the Constitution or laws of the State of California, shall be the rule of decision in all the Courts of this State.

Common law of  
England to rule  
decisions of  
courts.

## Chap. 96.

AN ACT to regulate *Descents and Distributions*.

Passed April 13, 1850.

*The People of the State of California, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :*

§ 1. When any person, having title to any estate not otherwise limited by marriage contract, shall die intestate as to such estate, it shall descend and be distributed, subject to the payment of his or her

Estate of intestates—how distributed.