

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1853.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1853.

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**Chapter 160.**

An act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in the two ponds lying partly in Winthrop and partly in the adjoining towns of Readfield and Monmouth, in the county of Kennebec, and known as the Winthrop North and South Ponds.

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

SECT. 1. If any person within the term of three years from the passage of this act shall take or destroy, otherwise than by hook and line, any pickerel in the months of March, April and May, in the above named ponds, or in any of the streams running into or issuing out of said ponds, he shall forfeit and pay a fine of three dollars for every pickerel so taken or destroyed; and all fines arising from a violation of this act may be recovered by action of debt, one half thereof to the use of the town in which the provisions of this act shall be violated, and the other half thereof to any person who may sue for the same.

Pickerel,  
destruction of  
prohibited.

Fine.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force on and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved March 29, 1853.]

**Chapter 161.**

An act for better securing the navigation of the river St. Croix, in the county of Washington.

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

SECT. 1. Every owner, lessee, or agent, of any mill engaged in the manufacture of any description of sawed lumber, on the river St. Croix, in the city of Calais or the town of Baring, who shall throw or allow to be thrown out of any or either of their mills any slabs or other waste lumber into said river that may tend to fill up the channel of said river, shall be liable to a fine of ten dollars for the first offense, and twenty dollars for the second and every succeeding offense; said fine to be recovered with costs of suit in an action of debt by any person who may sue for the same before any of the justices of the peace or judge of the police court in said city of Calais or county of Washington, said fine to be appropriated one half to the use of the complainant and the other half to the use of said city of Calais or town of Baring, where the offense may have been committed.

Obstructions  
in Saint  
Croix river  
prohibited.

Fine.  
—how  
recovered.

—how  
appropriated.

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Liability of  
mill owners,  
lessees, &c.

SECT. 2. Each and every of the said owners, lessees and agents, are severally liable for said fine, whether the act of throwing in such waste stuff be committed by themselves or those in their employ or under their control, or those actually engaged in the manufacture of said descriptions of lumber; and the said parties subject to said fines may have recourse under this act to recover such fines and costs from the parties actually throwing in such waste stuff or lumber, in the way and in the same manner as said fine is collected of them.

Act, limita-  
tion of.

SECT. 3. This act shall cease to be in force from and after the first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved March 29, 1853.]

### Chapter 162.

An act to incorporate the Upper Stillwater Sluice Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Samuel Hunt, Charles D. Jameson, and Thomas S. Harlow, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of Upper Stillwater Sluice Company; said corporation shall have a common seal, may sue and be sued, and shall have and enjoy all the privileges and immunities, and be subject to all the liabilities, incident to similar corporations.

Corporate  
name.

Duties,  
powers and  
liabilities.

Sluice,  
authorized to  
construct.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to construct and maintain a sluice for the purpose of running logs and other unmanufactured lumber by or through the Upper Stillwater dam on the Stillwater branch of the Penobscot river in Oldtown, in the county of Penobscot; and the location, width, not exceeding six feet, and depth of said sluice, having due regard to the rights and interests of the mill owners on said dam, shall be determined and established by the county commissioners for said county, after a view and notice to parties interested by publication in some newspaper published in said county three times successively, the last publication to be at least fourteen days before said views; and said corporation shall have authority to make all the cuts, elevations and other

Location,  
right of mill  
owners,  
&c., how  
determined.

Notice, how  
given, &c.