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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1883.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1883.

Chapter 144.

Снар. 144

An Act for the protection of salmon, landlocked salmon and trout.

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

Sect. 1. No person shall fish for, take, catch, kill or destroy any fish in any waters, except tide waters, with any net, seine, weir or trap, under a penalty of fifty dollars for the offense and ten dollars for each salmon or landlocked salmon so taken, caught, killed or destroyed.

Taking salmon, etc, with net, seine, weir or trap, prohibited, except in tide waters. -penalty.

No person shall kill or destroy any landlocked salmon less than nine inches in length or any trout less than five inches in length, under a penalty of five dollars for the offense and fifty cents for each and every landlocked salmon or trout so killed or destroyed. Any person having in possession any landlocked salmon or trout of less than the above dimensions shall be deemed to have killed or destroyed them in violation of the provisions of this section.

Killing salmon and tront of less than certain lengths, prohib-

-penalty.

Possession, evidence of viola

No person shall take, catch, kill or have in Transportation o possession, at any one time, for the purpose of transportation, more than fifty pounds in weight of landlocked salmon or trout or of both together, nor shall any such be transported except in the possession of the owner thereof, under a penalty of fifty dollars for the offense, and five dollars for each and -penalty. every pound of landlocked salmon or trout or both together so taken, caught, killed, in possession or being transported in excess of fifty pounds in weight; and all such fish transported in violation of the provisions of this section shall be liable to seizure on complaint and shall be decreed by the court, forfeited to the use of the party prosecuting. Any person having in possession more than fifty pounds in weight of the fish aforesaid, shall be deemed to have taken them in violation of this section.

more than fifty pounds, pro-

SECT. 4. All penalties imposed by any of the sections of Penalties, how this act may be recovered in the manner provided by section twenty-six, chapter seventy-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

Approved February 24, 1883,