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OF THE

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OF THE

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MIGRATORY FISH.

CHAP. 61 have authority to remove to, or support in the poor house, any such dependent soldier or sailor or their families; but the town of his settlement shall support them at his own home in the town of his settlement or residence, or in such suitable place other than the poor house, as the overseers of the poor of the town of his settlement may deem right and proper. This section shall not be so construed as to deprive overseers of the poor of any right to remove and support such dependent soldier or sailor and his family in the town of his settlement as herein provided.'

Approved March 13, 1891.

Chapter 61.

An Act to amend section seventeen of chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to Migratory Fish.

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

Section seventeen of chapter forty of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixty-one of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following words: 'and it shall be lawful to take shad and alewives in the Androscoggin river and in Merrymeeting bay from April first to June fifteenth in each year, by the use of drag seines, not more than fifty fathoms in length, and of not more than fifty meshes in depth,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

'SECT. 17. The taking of mackerel, herring, shad, porgies, or menhaden, and the fishing therefor by the use of purse and drag seines, is prohibited in all small bays, inlets, harbors or weirs, where any entrance to the same, or any part thereof from land to land, is not more than three nautical miles in width, under a penalty upon the master or person in charge of such seines, or upon the owners of any vessel or seines employed in such unlawful fishing, of not less than three hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, to be recovered by indictment, or action of debt; one-fourth of the penalty to the complainant or prosecutor, and three-fourths to the county in which the proceedings are commenced; and

Sec. 17, ch. 40, R. S., amended.

Taking or fishing for mackerel, herring, shad and porgies, with seines, prohibited.

-penalties, how recovered, and for whose benefit. there shall be a lien upon the vessels, steamers, boats and apparatus used in such unlawful pursuit, until said penalty, with costs of prosecution is paid; but a net for meshing mackerel or porgies, of not more than one hundred meshes in depth, and a net for meshing herring, of not more than one hundred and seventy meshes in depth, and a net for meshing shad, of not more than seventy-five meshes in depth, shall not be deemed a seine; and it shall be lawful to take shad and alewives in the Androscoggin river, and in Merrymeeting bay from April first to June fifteenth in each year, by the use of drag seines, not more than fifty fathoms in length, and of June 15. not more than fifty meshes in depth.'

Approved March 13, 1891.

Chapter 62.

An Act to amend chapter three hundred and nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, making the compensation of Sheriff in Kennebec County equal to that of the other counties, Cumberland excepted.

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

Section one of chapter three hundred nine of the sec. 1, ch. 809, Laws of 1889, SECT. 1. public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine is hereby amended. amended by striking out the words "and Kennebec counties" in the last clause of said section and substituting the word 'county' in place of 'counties," so that said section shall read as follows:

'SECT. 1. For each day's attendance by the sheriff on the Fees of sheriff supreme judicial or either of the superior courts, three dollars county. to be paid from the county treasury. This amendment shall not apply to Cumberland county.'

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

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