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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 420.

An Act to authorize the erection of Piers and Booms in the Mattawamkeag River at the Oxbow.

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

Sect. 1. Wilbur Grant of Kingman, in the county of Penobscot, his successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to locate, erect and maintain in the Mattawamkeag river at and below the head of Oxbow island, so called, lying between Wytopitlock and the village of Kingman, piers and booms for the purpose of collecting, holding, separating and sorting out logs and other lumber coming down said Mattawamkeag river. Said piers and booms shall be located as follows; a sorting boom at the head of Oxbow island, so called, and a holding boom extending from said sorting boom to the natural outlet of Mud pond, so called, below said Oxbow; and said piers and booms shall be so located, constructed, maintained and used that logs and lumber running down said river belonging to other parties, and not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant, his successors and assigns, shall not be unreasonably impeded or delayed, and in no case shall logs and other lumber be delayed longer than twenty-four hours; provided, however, that logs and other lumber running down said river in what is known as the first Mattawamkeag drive, may be longer delayed and detained, if necessary, for the purposes of sorting out and turning by logs and other lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant, his successors and assigns; and any stray logs and other lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant, if found in the booms herein authorized to be constructed and maintained, shall be turned out thereof by said Grant, his successors or assigns, upon demand of the owner or owners thereof in writing, at the expense of said Grant, his successors and assigns.

Sect. 2. Said Grant, his successors and assigns, by aid of such piers and booms, are hereby authorized and empowered to separate and sort out from the logs and other lumber coming down said river, all logs and other lumber destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant; provided, however, if upon the approach of the rear of any drive of logs to said booms herein authorized to be constructed and maintained, it shall appear to the person in charge of such

Wilbur Grant authorized to build piers and booms.

—location.

—logs and lumber shall not be unreasonably detained.

Authorized to sort all logs intended for Grant's mill.

—owners shall have right to expedite the sorting of logs.

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—expenses,
how paid.

drive that said Grant has not sufficient men to sort and turn by the logs arriving at said booms, so that such drive may be unreasonably impeded or delayed, such person, upon notice to said Grant in writing, shall have the right to put men of his own selection upon said booms to expedite the sorting and turning by of logs in such drive, who shall be paid by said Grant, and the additional cost, if any, of making such drive through said booms in consequence of said erections, shall be paid by said Grant, his successors or assigns, but nothing herein contained shall make said Grant liable for delay caused by said piers and booms. Said Grant, his successors and assigns, are also hereby authorized and empowered to hold within the piers and booms mentioned in this act, and located, erected and maintained as aforesaid, all logs and other lumber running down said Mattawamkeag river which are destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant.

Agent may
be ap-
pointed to
take ac-
count of
logs in
boom,
and make
returns.

Sect. 3. The Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Maine, shall have the right at any time to appoint an agent who is hereby authorized and empowered to take an account of all logs and other lumber running into said booms, designating the number of pieces and the marks thereon, and said agent shall make return to the clerk of said Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company of all logs and other lumber running into said booms, which return shall be placed upon file in the office of said company and shall at all times be open to the inspection of all persons interested in timber lands upon or in the driving of logs down said Mattawamkeag river or any of its tributaries.

May take
lands.

Sect. 4. Said Grant, his successors and assigns, may enter upon, take and hold such lands as may be necessary for the location, erection and maintenance of the piers and booms mentioned in this act and connecting the same with the shores, and may with his agents and teams pass and repass over said shores and to and from the same over the lands of others for the purposes aforesaid and for the operation and management of said piers and booms, making compensation therefor as provided in case of damage for lands taken in laying out highways.

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made.

All rights
retained.

Sect. 5. Nothing in this act shall interfere with or take from the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company, any rights heretofore granted said company.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.