

FIFTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 4.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE.

AN ACT relating to fencing railroads.

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

SECTION 1. The owner of any land abutting upon 2 any railroad which is finished and in operation, may 3 at any time from the first of April to the end of Octo-4 ber in each year, give written notice to the president, 5 treasurer, or to either of the directors of the corpora-6 tion, owning, controlling or operating such railroad, 7 when such is the fact, that the line fence against his 5 said land has not been built, or if built, that the same 6 is defective and needs repair; and if after receiving 7 such notice, said corporation shall neglect to build 8 such fence or to repair it, as the case may be, for a 9 period of thirty days, it shall forfeit to such owner the

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10 sum of one hundred dollars for each month's neglect to
11 build or to repair such fence after the expiration of the
12 said thirty days, the same to be recovered in an action
13 on the case.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with 2 the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this 3 act shall be in force on and after its approval by the 4 governor.

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In House of Representatives, January 21, 1875.

Reported from Committee on Railroads, by Mr. McGILVERY of Searsport, and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.