

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 44.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Kennebec river and its tributaries.

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

SECTION 1. No person or persons shall cast or throw  
2 into the Kennebec river, or into any of its tributaries,  
3 any slabs, board or lath edgings, bark, shavings, grind-  
4 ing of edgings, wood, bark or lumber, or refuse wood  
5 or timber of any sort, or shall place, pile or deposit on  
6 the banks of said Kennebec river or on the banks of  
7 its tributaries, any slabs, board or lath edgings, bark,  
8 shavings, grindings of edgings, wood, bark or lumber,  
9 or refuse wood or timber of any sort, in such negligent  
10 or careless manner that the same shall fall or be washed  
11 into said river or said tributaries, or with the intent  
12 that the same shall fall or be washed into said river or

13 said tributaries, whereby the navigation of said river  
14 may become impeded or injuriously affected, or which  
15 shall tend to impede or injuriously affect the naviga-  
16 tion of, or fill up said river, or which shall fill up or  
17 obstruct or tend to fill up or obstruct the canal or  
18 wheel-race of any woolen mill, cotton mill, flouring  
19 mill or other manufacturing establishment on said river  
20 or on any of its tributaries, under a penalty, for each  
21 offence, if the quantity shall not exceed five cords, of  
22 not less than five nor more than twenty dollars ; if the  
23 quantity cast or thrown in, or that shall fall or be  
24 washed in, as aforesaid, at one or different times shall  
25 exceed five cords in all, under a penalty of not less  
26 than twenty nor more than five hundred dollars.

SECT. 2. All the penalties under the provisions of  
2 the foregoing section shall be recovered by complaint  
3 or indictment before any court having jurisdiction in  
3 like offences.

SECT. 3. If the offence or offences forbidden in the  
2 first section of this act shall be committed by any per-  
3 son or persons who may be in the employ of any mill  
4 owner or owners, mill occupant or occupants, such  
5 owner or owners, occupant or occupants, shall also be  
6 liable in the same penalties, recoverable in the same  
7 manner as hereinbefore provided.

# STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
January 25, 1877. }

Reported from the Committee on Interior Waters, by Mr. MEADER of Waterville,  
and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*