

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 77.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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The Minority of the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was referred the petition of Thomas Goodall of Sanford, in the county of York, praying that powers and privileges of building dams, side dams, locks and canals, sufficient for holding back the water and to have the sole control of the same, for the purposes stated in his petition, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, for the following among other reasons.

Per order.

WYATT WEED,  
JOHN B. FARRELL.

*First.* The petitioner has now all the rights to the natural flow of Mousam river that he or his grantors ever had.

*Second.* That even if the prayer of the petitioner be granted, no advantages would accrue to him therefrom, as the remonstrants have now, and their grantors have had for nearly one hundred years last past, superior rights obtained by purchase at great expense.

*Third.* The petitioner prays for power to take private property for private uses, no *public exigency* existing which would authorize the Legislature to grant the prayer of his petition.

*Fourth.* The bill provides for no payment of all the damages which may result from rights prayed for, such as cutting off the water naturally flowing in the "Styles' brook," and for drawing water out of "Square Pond," and other damages.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
January 30, 1878. }

Reported from the Committee on Interior Waters, and pending  
acceptance, ordered printed, on motion of Mr. WEED of Veazie.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*