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# Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

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SENATE.

No. 8.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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[H. R. 2.] AN ACT to provide for the improvement of the navigation of the Souedehunk stream for log driving.

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

SECTION 1. Charles V. Lord, Alfred Veazie, John  
2 L. Cutter, Caleb Holyoke, Eben S. Coe, Franklin A.  
3 Wilson, Gorham L. Boynton, Levi Bradley, Charles  
4 P. Stetson, James Smith, their associates and assigns,  
5 are hereby made a body politic and corporate, by the  
6 name of Souedehunk Dam and Improvement Company,  
7 with all the powers, rights and privileges of similar  
8 corporations.

SECT. 2. The said corporation are hereby authorized  
2 to construct and maintain a dam, or dams, with booms,

3 side booms, sluices and any other erections, and make  
4 any other improvement said corporation may deem  
5 suitable and necessary to facilitate the driving of logs  
6 down said stream; and said corporation are further  
7 authorized to enter upon and take such land and  
8 material as said corporation may find it necessary to  
9 make their said dam or dams, boom or booms, and  
10 other improvements, and said corporation are author-  
11 ized to flow any and all land necessary, in order to  
12 raise a head of water with their dam and dams, sluices,  
13 and improvements. *Provided, however,* that said cor-  
14 poration shall pay to the proprietor or proprietors of  
15 any land or material so taken, such sum as said cor-  
16 poration and said proprietor or proprietors may agree  
17 upon, and in case the said parties shall not agree, then  
18 said corporation shall pay such damages as may be  
19 ascertained and determined by the county commis-  
20 sioners for the county of Piscataquis, in the same  
21 manner, and under the same conditions and limitation  
22 as are by law provided in the case of damages by  
23 laying out of public highways; and for land flowed  
24 by said corporation, the proprietor or proprietors  
25 thereof shall have the remedies as are now provided  
26 by law in case of flowing lands by the erection of a  
27 mill and dams to raise a head of water to work the  
28 mill.

SECT. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive, as a toll, for the passage of all logs and lumber over their said dams or other improvements, or through the same, sixty-three (63) cents for each thousand feet, board measure, wood scale, of all the spruce, hackmatack and cedar logs and lumber, and one dollar for each thousand feet board measure, wood scale, of all pine logs and lumber, and said corporation shall have a lien on all such logs and lumber until the full amount of toll is paid, but the logs of each particular mark shall only be holden to pay the toll of such mark; and if said toll is not paid within ten days after said logs or lumber shall arrive at the Penobscot boom, or place of manufacture, the said corporation may sell at public auction, after ten days' public notice in some newspaper printed in Bangor, in the county of Penobscot, so much of said logs or lumber as may be necessary to pay said toll and all incidental charges.

SECT. 4. When said corporation shall have been reimbursed by tolls for the costs and expenses of their works and repairs upon the same, together with interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, then the tolls shall be twenty cents (20) for each thousand feet, board measure, wood scale, of all spruce, hack-

7 matak and cedar logs and lumber, and thirty-three  
8 (33) cents for each thousand feet, board measure,  
9 wood scale, of pine logs and lumber, it being the  
10 intention, after the said works have been paid for, that  
11 no more toll shall afterwards be collected than is suffi-  
12 cient to keep said works in repair.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, January 24, 1878.

On motion by Mr. DAVIS of Cumberland, ordered to be printed,  
and that Thursday next be assigned for its consideration.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*