

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

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SENATE.

No. 24.

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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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[S. 55.] 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, edgings of boards or of laths, bark, shav-  
4 ings, grindings of edgings, of wood or of bark, or any  
5 shavings or fibrous material created by the sawing of  
6 shingles, or any refuse wood of any sort, or shall  
7 place, pile or deposit on the banks of said Kennebec  
8 river, or on the banks of any of its tributaries, any  
9 slabs, edgings of boards or of laths, bark, shavings,  
10 grindings of edgings, of wood, or of bark, or any shav-

11 ings or fibrous material created by the sawing of shin-  
12 gles, or any refuse wood of any sort, in such negligent  
13 or careless manner that the same shall fall or be washed  
14 into said river or said tributaries, or with the intent  
15 that the same shall fall or be washed into said river  
16 or said tributaries, whereby the navigation of said  
17 river may become impeded or injuriously affected, or  
18 which shall tend to impede or injuriously affect the  
19 navigation of, or fill up said river; or which shall fill  
20 up or obstruct or tend to fill up or obstruct the canal  
21 or wheel-race of any woolen mill, cotton mill, flouring  
22 mill or other manufacturing establishment, or which  
23 shall damage or injuriously affect or tend to damage  
24 or injuriously affect the ice on said river or on any of  
25 tributaries, under a penalty for each offence, if the  
26 quantity shall not exceed five cords, of not less than  
27 five nor more than twenty dollars; if the quantity cast  
28 or thrown in, or that shall fall or be washed in, as  
29 aforesaid, at one or different times, shall exceed five  
30 five cords in all, under a penalty of not less than  
31 twenty nor more than five hundred dollars.

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

SECT. 3. If the offence or offences forbidden in the  
2 first section of this act, shall be committed by any  
3 person or persons who may be in the employ of any  
4 mill 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 SENATE, February 1, 1878.

Reported by Mr. BOARDMAN of Waldo, from the Committee on Interior Waters, and laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.