

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty - Third Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 79.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to provide for the Fortnightly Payment of Wages by Corporations.

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

SECTION 1. Every manufacturing, mining, quar-
2 rying, stone cutting, mercantile, horse railroad,
3 telegraph, telephone and municipal corporation,
4 and every incorporated express and water company
5 and any person or firms engaged in any of the above
6 specified kinds of business shall pay fortnightly
7 each and every employe engaged in its business
8 the wages earned by such employe to within eight
9 days of the date of said payment; *provided, how-*
10 *ever,* that if at any time of payment any employe

11 shall be absent from his regular place of labor he
12 shall be entitled to said payment at any time there-
13 after on demand.

SECT. 2. Any corporation violating any of the
2 provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine
3 not less than ten nor more than twenty-five dol-
4 lars on each complaint under which it is convicted;
5 *provided*, complaint for such violation is made
6 within thirty days from the date thereof.

SECT. 3. When a corporation against which a
2 complaint is made under this act fails to appear
3 after being duly served with process, its default
4 shall be recorded, the allegations in the complaint
5 taken to be true, and judgment rendered accord-
6 ingly.

SECT. 4. When judgment is rendered upon any
2 such complaint against a corporation, the court
3 may issue a warrant of distress to compel the pay-
4 ment of the penalty prescribed by law, together
5 with costs and interest.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect May 1, 1887.

House Amendments to House Document 202.

"A." Amend by inserting after "quarrying" in first line the word 'stone-cutting,' and after the word "company" in fourth line the words 'and any person or firms engaged in any of the above-specified kinds of business.'

LYONS of Vinalhaven.

Adopted.

"B." In section one, line two, insert after word 'mercantile,' the word 'horse.'

ROBERTS.

Adopted.

Senate Amendment to House Document 202.

"A." Non-concur with so much of House Amendment "A" as inserts after word "company" in line four the words 'and any person or firms engaged in any of the above-specified kinds of business.'

HEATH of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 9, 1887.

Pending adoption of Senate Amendment "A" offered by Mr. HEATH,
laid on the table to be printed with amendments, on motion by Mr.
GUSHEE.

C. W. TILDEN, *Secretary.*