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No. 306.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT amending Section (69) sixty-nine, Chapter (40) forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to fishing with nets.

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

Amend section sixty-nine, chapter forty of the Revised 2 Statutes, by inserting in the fifteenth line thereof after the 3 word "weirs," the words, 'nets or seines,' and after the 4 word "built" in the same line the words 'or used,' so 5 that said section, as amended shall read as follows:

Section 69. The limit of depth prescribed for weirs in7 the preceding section shall be measured at the entrance8 of the weir, provided, that no part of such weir known as

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the leader, is in more than two feet of water at low water 9 Weirs may exceed the limit of two feet depth, 10 mark. measured as aforesaid, under the following conditions, 11 namely: first, the distance from the before mentioned 1213 two feet limit, to the entrance of such weir, shall not 14 exceed one hundred feet; second, no such weir shall 15 obstruct more than one-eighth of the width of the 16 channel; third, every such weir shall be stripped so as 17 to render it incapable of taking fish on and after the 18 twentieth day of June; but these conditions apply only 19 to weirs that exceed the aforesaid limit of depth. The 20 standard for low water mark on the Kennebec river, is in 21 all cases the nearest bench mark of the United States coast survey, allowance being made at the various points 2223 for the difference in time. The provisions of this and the 24 preceding section do not apply to fish weirs, nets or 25 seines built or used on the sea shore.'

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House of Representatives, March 9, 1893.

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W. S. COTTON, Clerk.