

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 49.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to prevent the Throwing of Slabs and other Refuse  
into the Aroostook river and its Tributaries, above the  
mouth of Beaver brook.

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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 into  
2 the Aroostook river, or into any of its tributaries above  
3 the mouth of Beaver brook, in Sheridan plantation, in the  
4 county of Aroostook, from any steam or water power saw  
5 mill, any slabs, edgings, sawdust, chips, bark, mill waste, or  
6 any shavings or fibrous material created by the manufact-  
7 uring of shingles, or shall place, pile, or deposit on the  
8 banks of said Aroostook river or its tributaries above the

9 mouth of said brook, any slabs, edgings, sawdust, chips,  
10 bark, mill waste, or any shavings or fibrous material created  
11 by the manufacturing of shingles, in such negligent or care-  
12 less manner that the same shall fall or be washed into said  
13 river, or its tributaries above the mouth of said brook,  
14 whereby the driving of logs or lumber down said river may  
15 become impeded or injuriously affected, or which shall tend  
16 to impede or injuriously affect the driving of logs or lum-  
17 ber down said river, or fill up or obstruct, or tend to fill up  
18 or obstruct the canal or wheel race of any manufacturing  
19 establishment upon said river, or any boom of logs upon  
20 said river above the mouth of said brook, or which shall  
21 damage or injuriously affect, or tend to damage or injuri-  
22 ously affect, the booming of logs upon said river, under a  
23 penalty for each offence, if the quantity shall not exceed  
24 five cords, of not less than five nor more than twenty dol-  
25 lars. If the quantity cast or thrown in, or that shall fall or  
26 be washed in as aforesaid, at one or different times, shall  
27 exceed five cords in all, under a penalty of not less than  
28 twenty nor more than five hundred dollars; provided, how-  
29 ever, that this act shall not apply to sawdust made by gang  
30 saws, main rotaries nor up and down saws of any kind, in  
31 water mills, now in use on said river above said dam.

Sect. 2. All the penalties under the provisions of the  
2 foregoing section, shall be recovered by complaint or indict-  
3 ment before any court having jurisdiction in like offences,  
4 or by action of debt before any court having competent

5 jurisdiction, for the benefit of the county where the offence  
6 was committed.

Sect. 3. If the offence or offences forbidden in the first  
2 section of this act, shall be committed by any person or  
3 persons who may be in the employ of any mill owner or  
4 owners, mill occupant or occupants, such owner or owners,  
5 occupant or occupants, shall also be liable in the same  
6 penalties, recoverable in the same manner as hereinbefore  
7 provided.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
February 5, 1897.

Reported by Mr. LONGLEY of Old Town, from Committee on Interior  
Waters, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*