

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 77.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to provide for the Navigation of the Kennebec river
between Shawmut Dam and the south line of Skowhegan.

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

Section 1. E. J. Lawrence, A. B. Page, L. E. Newhall,
2 all of Fairfield, Maine, are hereby organized under the
3 name of the Shawmut Navigation Company, and are hereby
4 authorized to navigate by steam the Kennebec river between
5 Shawmut dam at Fairfield and the south line of Skow-
6 hegan, and to deepen the channel thereof or any part of
7 it, or to remove any obstructions in the bed of the said
8 river, and to build suitable piers or abutments for landing
9 purposes.

Sect. 2. Said company is authorized to take and hold any
2 lands and ways thereto as may be necessary for location
3 of landings in the town of Fairfield, not exceeding four.
4 Said company may take and use the gravel, stones and earth
5 upon the land so taken, the value of which, when not agreed
6 upon, shall be determined by the county commissioners of
7 Somerset county under the same limitations as are pro-
8 vided in case of damage by laying out highways.

Sect. 3. The above grant is upon the condition that the
2 said company shall within two years shall improve and navi-
3 gate said river within the limits mentioned in section one
4 of this act.

Sect. 4. If the said company shall perform the conditions
2 of this grant as contained in the preceding section, the sole
3 right of navigating said river by steam between the points
4 mentioned in section one of this act is hereby granted to
5 said company for the term of ten years from and after the
6 improvement and navigation as provided in section three
7 of this act; provided, however, that said company in the
8 exercise of their rights shall not obstruct the running of
9 logs or lumber down said river, or infringe in any way
10 upon the chartered rights of the Kennebec Log Driving
11 Company, or in any manner interfere with the rights of the
12 public in using or maintaining public ways.



STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

February 11, 1897.

Reported by Mr. YOUNG of Hiram, from Committee on Interior
Waters, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*