

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 172.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to authorize the erection of piers and booms in the
Mattawamkeag River at the Oxbow.

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

Section 1. Wilbur Grant of Kingman in the county of
2 Penobscot, his successors and assigns, are hereby authorized
3 and empowered to locate, erect and maintain in the Matta-
4 wamkeag river at and below the head of Oxbow Island, so
5 called, lying between Wytovitlock and the village of King-
6 man, piers and booms for the purpose of collecting, hold-
7 ing, separating and sorting out logs and other lumber com-
8 ing down said Mattawamkeag river. Said piers and booms

9 shall be located as follows: A sorting boom at the head of
10 Oxbow Island, so called, and a holding boom extending
11 from said sorting boom to the natural outlet of Mud Pond,
12 so called, below said Oxbow; and said piers and booms shall
13 be so located, constructed, maintained and used that logs and
14 lumber running down said river belonging to other parties,
15 and not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said
16 Grant, his successors and assigns, shall not be unreasonably
17 impeded or delayed, and in no case shall logs and other
18 lumber be delayed longer than twenty-four hours; provided,
19 however, that logs and other lumber running down said river
20 in what is known as the first Mattawamkeag drive may be
21 longer delayed and detained if necessary for the purposes of
22 sorting out and turning by logs and other lumber not des-
23 tined for the use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant,
24 his successors and assigns; and any stray logs and other
25 lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of
26 said Grant, if found in the booms herein authorized to be
27 constructed and maintained shall be turned out thereof by
28 said Grant, his successors or assigns, upon demand of the
29 owner or owners thereof in writing at the expense of said
30 Grant, his successors and assigns.

Sect. 2. Said Grant, his successors and assigns, by aid of
2 such piers and booms are hereby authorized and empowered
3 to separate and sort out from the logs and other lumber com-
4 ing down said river, all logs and other lumber destined and
5 intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant;

6 provided, however, if upon the approach of the rear of any
7 drive of logs to said booms herein authorized to be con-
8 structed and maintained, it shall appear to the person in
9 charge of such drive that said Grant has not sufficient men to
10 sort and turn by the logs arriving at said booms, so that such
11 drive may be unreasonably impeded or delayed, such person
12 upon notice to said Grant in writing shall have the right to
13 put men of his own selection upon said booms to expedite
14 the sorting and turning by of logs in such drive, who shall
15 be paid by said Grant, and the additional cost, if any, of mak-
16 ing such drive through said booms in consequence of said
17 erections, shall be paid by said Grant, his successors or
18 assigns, but nothing herein contained shall make said Grant
19 liable for delay caused by said piers and booms. Said Grant,
20 his successors and assigns, are also hereby authorized and
21 empowered to hold within the piers and booms mentioned
22 in this act and located, erected and maintained as aforesaid,
23 all logs and other lumber running down said Mattawamkeag
24 river which are destined and intended for use and manufac-
25 ture at the mills of said Grant.

Sect. 3. The Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company, a
2 corporation existing under the laws of Maine, shall have the
3 right at any time to appoint an agent who is hereby author-
4 ized and empowered to take an account of all logs and other
5 lumber running into said booms, designating the number of
6 pieces and the marks thereon, and said agent shall make
7 return to the clerk of said Mattawamkeag Log Driving Com-

8 pany of all logs and other lumber running into said booms,
9 which return shall be placed upon file in the office of said
10 company and shall at all times be open to the inspection of
11 all persons interested in timber lands upon or in the driving
12 of logs down said Mattawamkeag river or any of its tribu-
13 taries.

Sect. 4. Said Grant, his successors and assigns, may enter
2 upon, take and hold such lands as may be necessary for the
3 location, erection and maintenance of the piers and booms
4 mentioned in this act and connecting the same with the
5 shores, and may with his agents and teams pass and re-pass
6 over said shores and to and from the same over the lands of
7 others for the purposes aforesaid and for the operation and
8 management of said piers and booms, making compensation
9 therefor as provided in case of damage for lands taken in
10 laying out highways.

Sect. 5. Nothing in this act shall interfere with or take
2 from the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company, any rights
3 heretofore granted said company.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

February 26, 1897.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*