

# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

#### HOUSE.

No. 253.

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT for the better preservation of Highways and commoding Public Travel.

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

Section 1. Section 66 of chapter 18 of the Revised 2 Statutes is hereby amended by adding after the words 3 "public travel" in the fourth line thereof the following 4 words 'remove all shrubbery and bushes growing within 5 the limits of highways, not planted or cultivated therein 6 for the purpose or ornamentation, having care for the 7 proper preservation of shade trees' so that said section when 8 amended shall read as follows: 'Road commissioners and 9 highway surveyors shall go over their highway districts, 10 or cause it to be done, in April, May, June, August, Sep-

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11 tember, October and November in each year, remove the 12 loose obstructions to the public travel, remove all shrubbery 13 and bushes growing within the limits of highways, not 14 planted or cultivated therein for the purpose of ornamenta-15 tion, having care for the proper preservation of shade trees, 16 and repair such defects as may occur from time to time, ren-17 dering travel dangerous, or they shall give notice of such 18 defects to the municipal officers, under a penalty of five 19 dollars for neglect of such duty, to be recovered by com-20 plaint, half to the town and half to the complainant.'

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

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March 9, 1897.

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Reported by Mr. CONANT of Strong, from Committee on Agriculture and ordered printed\_under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.