

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 327.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improve-
ment Company.

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

Section 1. John K. Ames, Frank S. Ames, Alfred K.
2 Ames their associates and assigns, are hereby incorporated
3 under the name of the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement
4 Company, with all the powers and privileges of similar
5 corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized to build dams,
2 side dams, remove rocks and make all other necessary
3 improvements in Chain lake and Chain Lake stream to
4 facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down the same,
5 and for the purpose the said corporation may take land
6 and materials necessary to build such dams, and make

7 such improvements; and may flow contiguous lands so
8 far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water. And
9 if the parties cannot agree upon the damages, the corpora-
10 tion shall pay the proprietors of the land and materials so
11 taken, such damages as shall be ascertained and determined
12 by the county commissioners for the county of Washing-
13 ton, in the same manner, and under the same conditions
14 and limitations as are by law provided in the case of
15 damage by laying out public highways. And for the
16 damage occasioned for flowing land, the said corporation
17 shall not be liable to an action at common law, but
18 persons injured may have a remedy by a complaint for
19 flowing, in which the same proceedings shall be had as
20 when a complaint is made under a statute of this state for
21 flowing lands, occasioned by raising a head of water for
22 the working of mills.

Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive
2 a toll for the passage of logs over or through their said
3 dams or improvements of eight cents per thousand feet,
4 board measure, woods scale, for all logs landed above the
5 Air Line road, and six cents per thousand upon all logs
6 landed below said road. And said corporation shall have
7 a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass over any
8 of its dams and improvements, for payment of said tolls;
9 but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only
10 for the tolls of such mark, and unless such toll is paid
11 within twenty days after such logs or lumber or a major
12 part of the same, shall arrive at the place of manufacture
13 or destination, said corporation may seize said logs and
14 lumber and sell at public auction so many and so much
15 thereof as shall be necessary to pay such tolls, costs and

16 charges. Notice of the time and place of such sale shall
17 be given fourteen days before such sale, in some news-
18 paper printed in Machias.

Sect. 4. When said corporation shall have received
2 from tolls its outlay on dams and improvements, and the
3 repairs made up to that time, and eight per cent interest,
4 then the tolls shall be reduced, pro rata, to a sum sufficient
5 to keep the works in repair.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

March 18, 1897.

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

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.