

Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 196.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Ellis River and its tributaries.

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 Ellis river or its tributaries any mill waste, slabs, 3 edgings, bark, chips, shavings, sawdust or any other mill 4 waste of a fibrous nature created in the manufacture of any 5 sawn or planed lumber, or shall place, pile or deposit on 6 the banks of said Ellis river, or on the banks of any of its 7 tributaries, any slabs, edgings, or any shavings or fibrous 8 material created by the manufacturing of shingles, in such 9 negligent or careless manner that the same shall fall or be 10 washed into said river or said tributaries, or with the

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11 intent that the same shall fall or be washed into said river 12 or said tributaries, whereby the navigation of said river 13 may become impeded or injuriously affected, or which 14 shall tend to impede or injuriously affect the navigation 15 of, or fill up said river, or which shall fill up or obstruct, 16 or tend to fill up or obstruct, the canal or wheel-race of 17 any woolen mill, cotton mill, flour mill, or other manu-18 facturing establishment, or which shall damage or injuri-19 ously affect, or tend to damage or injuriously affect, the 20 ice on said river or on any of its tributaries, under a 21 penalty for each offense, if the quantity shall not exceed 22 five cords, of not less than five or more than twenty dol-23 lars; if the quantity cast or thrown in, or that shall fall or 24 be washed in as aforesaid, at one or different times, shall 25 exceed five cords in all, under a penalty of not less than 26 twenty nor more than five hundred dollars.

Sect. 2. All the penalties under the provisions of the 2 foregoing section shall be recovered by complaint or 3 indictment before any court having jurisdiction in like 4 offenses.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of 2 September, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

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IN SENATE, March 19, 1897.

Reported by Mr. MAXWELL, from Committee on Interior Waters, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.