

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 3.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

An Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Piscataquis River
Improvement Company."

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

Section 1. E. T. Spencer, J. F. Sprague and H. J. Bailey,
2 their associates and assigns are hereby incorporated under
3 the name of the Piscataquis River Improvement Company,
4 with all the powers and privileges of similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to build
2 side dams, excavate, and remove rocks and make such
3 improvements in that part of Piscataquis river that is in and
4 between the towns of Milo and Howland which may be neces-
5 sary to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down said
6 river and for that purpose the said corporation may take
7 lands and materials necessary to make such improvements.

8 And if the parties cannot agree upon the damages, the cor-
9 poration shall pay the proprietors of the land and materials
10 so taken, such damages as shall be ascertained and deter-
11 mined by the county commissioners of Piscataquis county,
12 in the same manner, and under the same conditions and limi-
13 tations as are by law provided in the case of damages by
14 laying out of public highways.

Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive a
2 toll over or through their said improvements of ten cents per
3 thousand feet, board measure, wood's scale, for all logs
4 landed in said Piscataquis river. And said corporation shall
5 have a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass over or
6 through any of its improvements as aforesaid for payment of
7 said tolls; but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden
8 only for the tolls of such mark, and unless such toll is paid
9 within twenty days after such logs or lumber or a major
10 part of the same shall arrive at the place of manufacture or
11 destination, said corporation may seize said logs and lumber
12 and sell at public auction so many and so much thereof as
13 shall be necessary to pay such tolls, costs and charges.
14 Notice of the time and place of such sale shall be given four-
15 teen days before such sale, in some newspaper published in
16 Piscataquis county.

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

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

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, January 12, 1899.

Reported by Mr. FREESE of Argyle, from Committee on Interior
Waters and ordered printed and recommitted.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*