

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Seventieth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 64

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to provide temporarily for the storage of water in
the West Branch of Penobscot river.

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

Section 1. The contract dated February 16th, 1901,
2 between the Penobscot Log Driving Company and the
3 Great Northern Paper Company relative to the driving of
4 logs and storage and use of water in the West Branch of
5 Penobscot river during the term of two years from the
6 date of approval of this act is hereby ratified and con-
7 firmed, and power and authority necessary for the execu-
8 tion of this contract, and to carry out the terms of the
9 same are hereby conferred upon the directors of the

10 Penobscot Log Driving Company and upon the Great
11 Northern Paper Company.

Sect. 2. Fred W. Ayer, James W. Sewall and F. A.
2 Gilbert, the commissioners first named in said contract are
3 hereby authorized to exercise the powers conferred upon
4 them in said contract and to fix the date of starting the
5 rear of the drive from the head of Chesuncook lake in
6 each of the years 1901 and 1902, and all corporations and
7 persons interested shall be bound by their decision in fix-
8 ing said dates, and the charter of the Penobscot Log Driv-
9 ing Company shall be regarded as amended accordingly.

Should any vacancy occur in said commission during said
11 two years, it may be filled by the chief justice of the
12 supreme judicial court after such notice as he shall order
13 and hearing.

Sect. 3. The Penobscot Log Driving Company is
2 hereby authorized during said two years to hold and store
3 water in its dams for manufacturing purposes as well as
4 for log driving purposes, and to permit the Great Northern
5 Paper Company so to do, provided, that after the
6 logs arrive at Penobscot boom, the water so stored
7 shall be allowed to flow so that the volume and
8 flow of water down the West Branch shall be
9 as nearly as possible equal and continuous for the
10 whole twenty-four hours of each and every day there-
11 after, and the said commissioners shall have the power to
12 decide that more water shall be allowed to flow down the
13 West Branch to assist in rafting and running all logs, if
14 such extra water in their opinion shall be reasonably
15 necessary, and said commissioners shall have power to
16 decide that less than said amount shall flow down the

17 West Branch, if the Great Northern Paper Company shall
18 so elect, and it shall not be needed down river for any
19 purpose ; and if the Great Northern Paper Company shall
20 fail to allow the water to flow as aforesaid, or in accord-
21 ance with the decisions of the commissioners, after the
22 drive arrives at the boom, said commissioners shall have
23 power and right to take charge of said water for the pur-
24 pose of so allowing the water to flow.

Sect. 4. The Penobscot Log Driving Company for the
2 purpose of repairing its dams, carrying out the provisions
3 of said contract, and enabling it to exercise the powers
4 and perform the duties imposed by its charter and acts
5 amendatory thereof is hereby authorized to borrow money,
6 as the directors of said company may find expedient.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 20, 1901.

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

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*