

SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 82

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to authorize the Emerson Lumber Company to erect and maintain dams across the west branch of the Mattawamkeag river in the town of Island Falls in the county of Aroostook.

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

Section 1. The Emerson Lumber Company, a corporation 2 organized under the general laws of Maine, located at Island 3 Falls in said State, is hereby authorized to maintain and 4 repair the existing dams across the west branch of the Matta-5 wamkeag river at said Island Falls, and to raise the same two 6 feet; or to erect, construct, maintain, repair and extend new 7 dams upon the site of the existing dams or near the same, 8 providing suitable sluices are constructed and maintained by

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9 said Emerson Lumber Company in the dam extending from 10 the south side of the island in said river to the mainland, at 11 its own expense, for the passage of logs and other lumber 12 running down said river, and by means of such dams to flow 13 any and all lands on said river or any of its tributaries.

Sect. 2. Said Emerson Lumber Company shall be liable for 2 all damages occasioned by flowing said lands by reason of 3 increasing the height of the existing dam across said river, 4 or in the construction of new dams higher than the present 5 dams, and in case said company and the owners of the land 6 so flowed cannot agree upon the amount of damage, the 7 same is to be ascertained and determined in the manner 8 described in chapter 94 of the Revised Statutes.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Augusta, February 9, 1905. Tabled pending reference to a committee by Mr. MILLIKEN of Island Falls and ordered printed.

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E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.