

NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 440

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT authorizing the Ashland Company to erect dams and make improvements on the tributaries of the Upper Aroostook river.

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

Section 1. The Ashland Company, a corporation existing 2 under the laws of Maine, its successors and assigns, are 3 hereby authorized and empowered to build the following 4 dams: First, a dam at or near the foot of Mooseleuk lake 5 in Township Number Ten, Range Nine; second, a dam at 6 or near the foot of Munsungun lake in Township Eight, 7 Range Ten; third, a dam at or near the foot of Millinocket 8 lake in Township Eight, Range Nine, and Seven, Range

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9 Nine, or either of them, all in the county of Piscataquis; 10 fourth, a dam near the foot of Millimigassett lake in Town-11 ship Number Seven, Range Eight, in the county of Penob-12 scot; and to build such side dams and piers and to remove 13 rocks and make all other improvements in the streams on 14 which said main dams shall be built as may be necessary or 15 convenient to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber into 16 and down the Aroostook river to places of manufacture.

And for said purposes said company is hereby authorized 18 and empowered to acquire by lease or purchase land and 19 necessary material to build said dams and piers and make 20 such improvements, and the right to flow contiguous lands 21 so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water.

Sect. 2. Said company may demand and receive for the 2 passage of logs and lumber over any one of said main dams 3 or the other improvements, a toll of fifteen cents per thousand 4 feet, board measure, wood scale, and said company shall have 5 a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass over its said 6 dams or other improvements for the payment of such tolls, 7 which lien shall continue for sixty days after such logs or 8 lumber arrive at their place of destination for sale or manu-9 facture or until such logs and lumber arrive at the easterly 10 line of the State of Maine separating said State from the 11 province of New Brunswick, and may be enforced by attach-12 ment, but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden 13 only for the unpaid toll of such mark.

Section 3. When said company shall from tolls be reim-2 bursed for its expenditures for the dams and improvements 3 authorized by this act and six per cent annual interest upon 4 all such amounts expended, all tolls shall cease; and said 5 company shall keep an accurate account of all its receipts 6 and expenditures relating to the improvements on said river 7 authorized by this act, which shall at all times be open to the 8 inspection of all persons interested.

Sect. 4. The said Ashland Company, having received an 2 assignment from the Ashland Manufacturing Company of 3 the rights and powers conferred upon the Ashland Manu-4 facturing Company by chapters three hundred fifty-one and 5 three hundred fifty-four of the Private and Special Laws of 6 eighteen hundred ninety-seven, and of the dams, piers, booms 7 and other improvements created under such power and 8 authority, is hereby confirmed in the ownership and posses-9 sion of the same, and said company shall have and enjoy the 10 rights and powers which were granted in and by said chap-11 ters three hundred fifty-one and three hundred fifty-four of 12 the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-13 seven to said Ashland Manufacturing Company, and which 14 were by said Ashland Manufacturing Company assigned to 15 said Ashland Company.

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

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House of Representatives, Augusta, March 9, 1905.

Reported by Mr. POWERS from Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.