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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

FOURTH LEGISLATURE,

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Powers
restricted.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this Act may be enlarged, restrained or annulled, at the pleasure of the Legislature.

[*This Act passed February 3, 1824.*]

CHAPTER CCXL.

AN ACT to prevent the destruction of the fish called Salmon and Alewives, on Denny's river and Pinmaquan, in the county of Washington.

Town of Dennysville and Plantation No. 10 to choose a committee to attend to the preservation of Salmon, &c. in their waters.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That, from and after the passing of this act, it shall be lawful at the annual meeting in the month of March or April, for the town of Dennysville, to choose a committee of three persons in the eastern district of said town, for Pinmaquan stream, and also a committee of three persons in the western district for Denny's river; and also for the plantation number ten, adjoining said town of Dennysville, to choose a like committee of three persons for Denny's river, who shall be inhabitants of said districts and plantation respectively; whose duty it shall be to attend to the preservation of the fish called Salmon and Alewives, in the streams called Denny's river and Pinmaquan, in their several districts and plantation respectively, by seeing that proper passage ways are kept open for said fish, and prosecuting all breaches of this act, which shall come to their knowledge.

Passage way to be kept open for fish to pass from May 10 to July 1.

Penalty for obstructing passage of fish.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That, from and after the tenth day of May next, there shall always be kept open a sufficient passage way for the said fish to pass up the said streams to the ponds, where they usually deposit their spawn, from the tenth day of May, to the first day of July, in each year; and if any person or persons shall wilfully stop the said passage way, during the time abovementioned, or in any way hinder or obstruct the passage of said fish through the same, from the time of sunsetting on Friday in each week, and sunseting of

the Monday following, during the said term, he or they, so offending, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, nor less than five dollars.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons, shall set or place any net, seine, or trap, for the taking of any of the fish aforesaid, or shall by dip-nets, weirs, or any other method, take any of the abovementioned fish, in said rivers or streams, or in the salt water within two miles of the head of the tide, in either of said rivers or streams, between the time of sunsetting on Friday in each week, and sunsetting on the following Monday, from the tenth day of May to the first day of August, in each year, he or they shall forfeit and pay the sum of one dollar for each and every Salmon so taken, and one dollar for each hundred Alewives, and in the same proportion for a greater or less number ; and all seines or nets, set as aforesaid, shall be seized by any one of the fish committee, and by him sold at public vendue, first giving twenty-four hours notice of the time and place of sale ; and the money arising from such sale, after deducting necessary expenses, shall be paid to the Treasurer of the town or plantation, where such seizure is made, for the use of said town or plantation.

Penalty for setting nets, weirs, &c. in certain places.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons shall take, kill, or destroy, any Salmon, after the first day of August, in any year, he or they shall forfeit and pay for each Salmon, so taken, killed, or destroyed, the sum of two dollars.

Penalty for taking or destroying fish in certain seasons

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That all fines and forfeitures incurred for breaches of this act, may be recovered by action of debt, in any Court proper to try the same, by any inhabitant of the town or plantation, where the said offence shall have been committed, to the use of the person who shall prosecute and sue for the same : *Provided always*, That all prosecutions for breaches of this act, shall be commenced within sixty days from the time said offence is alleged to have been committed, and not afterwards.

Fines, &c. how recovered.

Limitation of time for prosecuting.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That no person shall be deemed a trespasser in going on the lands and premises of any person in order to take fish, on their paying a reasonable compensation therefor, if required.

[*This Act passed February 3, 1824.*]

CHAPTER CCXLI.

AN ACT to establish a School District, comprising parts of Corinna and Dexter.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That the following described territory, comprising parts of the towns of Corinna, in the county of Somerset, and Dexter, in the county of Penobscot, to wit:

lot No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, and half of lot No. 8, in the 12th Range, and lots No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, in the 11th Range, comprising School District No. 3, in the north east corner of the town of Corinna; and lots No. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, in the first Range, and lots numbered 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, in the second range of lots, in the town of Dexter, comprising School District No. 1, in that town, together with the inhabitants thereon, be, and they hereby are united into one School District, for the term of fifteen years; and as such they are hereby authorized and empowered to raise, from time to time, sufficient sums of money, for the purpose of erecting and keeping in repair a School house for the use of said united School District, in such place, within the limits thereof, as shall be agreed upon by the inhabitants of said District, and in case they cannot agree upon a suitable place, the Selectmen of the said towns of Corinna and Dexter, shall designate the same: And said united District, hereby established, shall have authority to elect such officers, agent or agents, and shall have all the powers and privileges which other School Districts are by law entitled to have and enjoy. And the town officers in each of said towns of Corinna and

Proviso.

Boundaries of united school district.

Term of incorporation.

Powers and privileges in erecting and keeping in repair a school house.

Place of erecting, how to be determined.