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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

SIXTH LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS SESSION, HELD IN JANUARY, 1826.

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CHAPTER CCCXXIX.

AN ACT to prevent the destruction of Fish in Sebasticook River.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That it shall be the duty of all persons owning or interested in any mill dam, wear or other obstruction, that is already made, or that shall be made hereafter, in the Sebasticook river, to provide and maintain a sufficient passage or sluice way, for the fish called Salmon, Shad and Alewives, to pass up and down, with ease and convenience, in their season of going to spawn, and of returning; and to keep the same open and clear of slabs and other obstructions, from the first day of May, to the fifth day of July annually, and from the twentieth of August to the last of September annually. And no person shall construct or keep up any wear that shall extend more than one third of the way across said river. And any person who shall offend against the provisions of this section, shall forfeit and pay a sum of not less than twenty, nor more than two hundred dollars, to be recovered in an action of debt, by any inhabitant of any town through which said river runs; one half to the use of such inhabitant, and the other half to the use of the town to which he belongs. And it shall be the duty of the Selectmen of said towns to see that the above provisions are carried into effect.

Owners of Mill Dams, &c. to provide passage or sluice ways for fish;

and keep the same open during certain time;

no wear to extend more than one third across the river.

Penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act;

how recovered and to whose use.

Duty of the Selectmen.

Penalty for setting nets, and

taking fish on certain days of the week.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That if any person shall set any net, seine or other machine, for the purpose of taking any of said fish in said river, on the Saturday, Sunday or Monday of any week, he shall forfeit a sum not exceeding ten dollars for every such offence. And every person who shall take or catch any of said fish on either of those days, shall forfeit for every salmon, so taken, a sum not exceeding two dollars; for every shad, a sum not exceeding one dollar; and for every hundred alewives, a sum not

exceeding two dollars. And the penalties prescribed in this section, may be recovered in an action of debt, by, and to the use of any person who shall sue for the same. And it shall be lawful to take fish in said river on any other day in the week than those above mentioned; any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Penalty and how recovered, &c.

Days in the week on which fish may be taken.

[Approved by the Governor, March 6, 1826.]

CHAPTER CCCCXXX.

AN ACT authorizing a Lottery for the benefit of a Bridge at Sullivan Ferry.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That a Lottery be, and is granted to John Sargent, of Sullivan, in the county of Hancock, to raise the sum of four thousand dollars, in consideration of expenses incurred by him, in erecting a Bridge across an arm of the sea, at a place called Sullivan Ferry; and for finishing and keeping the same in repair. And the Governor, with the advice of Council, shall appoint the Managers of said Lottery, not exceeding three in number; and shall have power to remove the same, and to fill all vacancies in the board of Managers, occasioned by death, resignation, removal or otherwise. And the Managers of said Lottery shall, from time to time, make and publish such schemes, as shall, in their opinion, best promote the purposes of said Lottery; draw the same, and transact all business necessarily connected with the duties of their appointment.

Lottery granted to John Sargent to raise \$4,000 for certain purposes.

Managers to be appointed by the Governor and Council,

to publish schemes, draw the lottery, &c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said Managers, before they enter upon the duties of their office, shall be sworn to the faithful performance of said duties, and shall give bond to the State, with sufficient sureties, to the satisfaction of the Governor and Council, in the sum of ten thousand dollars, conditioned for the faith-

Managers to be sworn, give bond, conditioned, &c.