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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL

ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE,

At its Session commencing January 5th, 1831.

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Portland.

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CHAPTER 182.

AN ACT to prevent the destruction of Pickerel in Wilson, Cochnewagen, South, and Cobesecontee Great Ponds, in the towns of Monmouth and Winthrop.

Approved March 25, 1831.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That from and after the passage of this Act, if any person or persons shall spear any Pickerel in Wilson or Cochnewagen Pond, in Monmouth, or in South or Cobesecontee Great Pond, in Winthrop, or in any of the streams or rivers emptying into, or issuing out of said Ponds, or in any waters connected with them, shall forfeit and pay a fine of three dollars for every Pickerel so taken or destroyed.

Penalty for spearing pickerel, §3.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That if any person or persons shall set eel pots, fish pots, or nets, or erect any wear in said Ponds, or in any of the rivers, streams or waters connected with them as aforesaid, for the purpose of taking said fish, or obstructing their passage in said waters, he or they shall forfeit and pay a fine of five dollars for each and every such offence.

Penalty for setting nets or obstructing passage of fish §5.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That, it shall be lawful for any person or persons, who shall find any of the obstructions, mentioned in the foregoing section, placed or erected in said Ponds, or their waters as aforesaid, to take up, pull down, demolish and destroy the same; and all penalties and forfeitures arising by virtue of this Act, shall be recovered in an action of debt in any Court of competent jurisdiction, one moiety for the use of the State, and the other moiety thereof to him or them who shall sue for the same.

Obstructions may be removed.

Penalties, how recovered and to whose use.