

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PUBLIC LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

1849.

Chapter 91.

An additional act regulating the inspection of fish.

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

SECT. 1. All smoked herring shall be sorted by the inspector and denominated according to their quality, as follows : scaled herrings shall consist of all the largest, fattest and best cured fish of not less than seven inches in length ; number one, of well cured fish not less than six inches in length ; and in both cases all those shall be taken out as refuse, which are belly-broken, tainted, scorched or burnt, slack-salted, or not sufficiently smoked.

Of the different qualities of smoked herring, and how they shall be sorted.

SECT. 2. Every box of herrings, so inspected, shall be branded, or lettered with paint, on the top, by the inspector with the initials of his christian name, his surname at length, the name of the owner and of the town for which the inspector was appointed, with the letters Me. and also with the quality of scaled, and number one.

And branded accordingly.

SECT. 3. All boxes for packing smoked herrings, shall be made of good sound boards, sawed and well seasoned ; the top, bottom and sides, of boards not less than three-eighths of an inch in thickness ; and the ends, of boards not less than three-quarters of an inch in thickness ; well and securely nailed ; and they shall be seventeen inches in length, eight and one-half inches in breadth, and six inches in depth, in the clear.

Requisites of boxes for packing.

CHAP. 92.

Forfeiture for
fraudulent
branding.

SECT. 4. If any inspector shall brand or put his name upon any cask, or upon any box of smoked herrings, out of the town for which he is appointed inspector, or if he shall permit any other person to use his brand or name out of said town, he shall forfeit for every cask or box, so branded or marked, twenty dollars.

Forfeitures and
penalties.

SECT. 5. All forfeitures and penalties, provided for in the fifty-fourth chapter of the revised statutes of this state, shall be applied to this act, and, together with the forfeitures accruing under this act, shall be recovered as provided in the twenty-ninth section of said chapter of the revised statutes.

Fees for Inspect-
ors.

SECT. 6. The fees for inspectors of fish shall be for each box of smoked herrings so inspected and branded or marked, not more than one cent.

Inconsistent pro-
visions repealed.

SECT. 7. The ninth, tenth, and sixteenth sections of the fifty-fourth chapter of the revised statutes, and also the fifteenth section of said chapter, so far as it relates to boxes for smoked herrings, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

When to take ef-
fect.

SECT. 8. This act shall be in force and take effect from and after the first day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

[Approved June 5, 1849.]

Chapter 92.

An act additional to the one hundred and eighth chapter of the revised statutes.

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

Provision for
widow, in the
settlement of any
solvent estate,
testate.

In the settlement of any solvent estate, testate, in which the widow shall not have provision made for her in her husband's will, she shall, besides her apparel and ornaments, be entitled to so much of the personal estate as the judge of probate shall determine to be necessary, according to the degree and estate of her husband, regard being had to the state of the family under her care.

[Approved June 18, 1849.]