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as is provided by section forty-eight ; and if the court upon hearing, finds that the allegations of the petition are true and that notice by publication has been given as ordered, it shall make and enter a decree that all persons named in the petition and all persons alleged to be unknown claiming, by, through or under persons so named, and who have not so appeared, shall be forever debarred and estopped from having or claiming any right or title adverse to the petitioner in the premises described in the petition ; which decree shall within thirty days after it is finally granted be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county where the land lies, and shall be effectual to bar all right, title and interest of all persons whether adults or minors, upon whom notice has been served, personally or by publication, as herein provided. The court may in its discretion appoint agents or guardians, ad litem, to represent minors or other supposed claimants.'

—decree shall be final.

Approved March 6, 1901.

Chapter 171.

An Act to amend Section thirty-one of Chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to a weekly close time for the taking of Fish.

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

Section 31, chapter 285, public laws 1897, amended.

Section 1. Section thirty-one of chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended as follows: By adding at the close of said section the following words, 'provided, however, that the weekly close time on the Damariscotta river below the bridge at Damariscotta, shall be from sunset on each Saturday night to twelve o'clock on the following Sunday night,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Weekly close time of 48 hours between April 1 and July 15, established.

'Section 31. Between the first day of April and the fifteenth day of July, there shall be a weekly close time of forty-eight hours from sunrise on each Saturday morning to sunrise on the following Monday morning, during which no salmon, shad, alewives or bass, shall be taken. During the weekly close time, all seines, nets, and other movable apparatus shall be removed from the water. Every weir shall have, in that part where the fish are usually taken, an opening three feet wide, extending from the bottom to the top of the weir, and the netting or other material which closes the same while fishing, shall be taken out,

—how it shall be observed.

carried on shore, and there remain during the weekly close time, to the extent that during said close time the fish may have a free and unobstructed passage through such weir or other structure, and no contrivance which tends to hinder such fish shall be placed in any part thereof. If the inclosure where the fish are taken is furnished with a board floor, an opening extending from the floor to the top of the weir is equivalent to one extending from the bottom to the top. The penalty for the violation of this section is twenty dollars for each offense. This section does not apply to the Kennebec, Androscoggin or Penobscot rivers or their tributaries, or to the Saint Croix river below the breakwater at the ledge. Provided, however, that the weekly close time on the Damariscotta river below the bridge at Damariscotta, shall be from sunset on each Saturday night to twelve o'clock on the following Sunday night.'

—penalty.

—rivers to which act does not apply.

—close time in Damariscotta river.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1901.

Chapter 172.

An Act to fix the terms of the Superior Court in Kennebec County.

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

Section sixty-eight of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, as amended by section two of chapter one hundred and four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Section 68. Said court shall be held at Augusta on the second Tuesday of January, and the first Tuesdays of April and September, and at Waterville on the second Tuesdays of June and November; but the criminal business of said county shall be transacted at the terms held on the second Tuesday of January and the first Tuesdays of April and September, together with civil business.'

Terms in Kennebec county.

Approved March 8, 1901.