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Sec. 11. Public utilities commission to turn over all data compiled. The public utilities commission is hereby directed to turn over to the Maine Water Power Commission all records, maps, papers, instruments and property that were transferred to it by authority of chapter one hundred and twenty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen, and also all records, maps and papers that it has since compiled and collected in carrying out the provisions of law directing it to continue the work of the former water storage commission.

Sec. 12. R. S., c. 55, §§ 9, 10, 12, 13 and 14; relating to duties of public utilities commission in relation to water powers, etc., repealed. Sections nine, ten, twelve, thirteen and fourteen of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.

Sec. 13. Appropriation. The sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, and fifteen thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred and twenty, or so much as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any fund in the treasury of the state not otherwise appropriated, to carry out the provisions of sections one to eleven, inclusive, of this act and any portion of said first mentioned sum of fifteen thousand dollars remaining unexpended on January first, nineteen hundred and twenty shall be available for use by the commission during the year nineteen hundred and twenty and the additional sum of five thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, and five thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred and twenty, or so much as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any fund in the treasury of the state not otherwise appropriated to carry out the provisions of section ten of this act relating to the hydrographic and geological surveys to be made in connection with the United States Geological Survey.

Approved March 29, 1919.

Chapter 133.

An Act to Amend Section Forty-six of Chapter Thirty-three of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to the Protection of Certain Fur-bearing Animals.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 33, § 46, 1917, c. 219, am. § 46; relating to protection of fur-bearing animals, amended. Section forty-six of chapter thirty-three of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and by substituting therefor the following section:

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Sec. 46. Muskrats may be trapped in Lower Kezar pond during March and April; may be taken in Orange river in Whiting from April 10th to 25th; otter, fisher and mink may be taken in Orange river from Nov. 1st to March 1st. Whoever, from the first day of March to the fourteenth day of the following October, both days inclusive, hunts, traps, kills, pursues or catches any fur-bearing animal (except bears, muskrats, raccoons, beaver, bobcats, loupcevrier, Canada lynx and weasels) or whoever, from the first day of March to the fourteenth day of the following August, both days inclusive, hunts, traps, kills, pursues or catches, any raccoon, or whoever from the fifteenth day of May to the fourteenth day of the following October, both days inclusive, hunts, traps, kills, pursues or catches, any muskrat, or whoever has in possession at any time any fur-bearing animal or part thereof taken in close season, shall pay a fine of ten dollars and costs for each offense and in addition thereto three dollars for each fur-bearing animal hunted, trapped, killed, pursued, caught or had in possession in violation hereof. Provided, further, that it shall be unlawful, under the same penalty, to take, catch, trap, kill or destroy any muskrat or muskrats at any time in Lower Kezar pond, in the town of Fryeburg, in the county of Oxford, and in the town of Bridgton, in the county of Cumberland, or in the outlet stream of said Lower Kezar pond, or in the Kezar meadows, so-called, adjacent to said pond (which meadows are bounded by the outlet stream of said pond, by the old Saco river, by the "Uplands", so-called, and by the "Upland" on the easterly side of said meadows) or in the east bog, so-called, or in the west bog, so-called, bounded by the "Uplands", and on the westerly side by a wire fence on land owned by E. C. Buzzell; except that it shall be lawful to take muskrats within said territory in the usual manner of trapping, in accordance with the general statutes of the state, during the months of March and April in each year. Provided, further, that it shall be unlawful, under the same penalty, to take, catch, trap, kill or destroy any muskrat or muskrats at any time in Orange river, or in any of its tributaries, in the town of Whiting, and in adjoining towns, in the county of Washington, except between the tenth day of April and the twenty-fifth day of April, of each year, both days inclusive. Provided, further, that it shall be unlawful, under the same penalty, to take, catch, trap, kill or destroy any otter, fisher or mink in Orange river, or in any of its tributaries, in the town of Whiting, and in adjoining towns, in the county of Washington, except from the first day of November, of each year, to the last day of February of the following year, both days inclusive. Provided, further, it shall be unlawful to set a trap at any time within twenty-five feet of a muskrat house, under a penalty of ten dollars and costs for each offense. Whoever at any time hunts, traps, kills, pursues, catches or has in possession any beaver, or part thereof, except as provided in the preceding section, shall pay a fine of one hundred dollars and costs for each offense. Provided,

however, that any person may lawfully kill any wild animal (other than beaver) or any wild bird found destroying his property.'

Approved March 31, 1919.

Chapter 134.

An Act to Regulate Fishing in Kennebago Stream.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. No fish to be taken in Kennebago stream in Franklin and Oxford counties. No person shall fish for, take, catch, or kill any kind of fish, at any time, in Kennebago stream, the outlet of Kennebago lake, which stream is located in the county of Franklin and in the county of Oxford. It shall also be unlawful for any person to have in possession, at any time, any kind of fish taken in said Kennebago stream. Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be subject to a penalty of not less than ten nor more than thirty dollars and costs for each offense and one dollar additional for each fish taken, caught, killed, or had in possession in violation of this section.

Sec. 2. Inconsistent rules and laws repealed. So much of the rules and regulations of the department of inland fisheries and game promulgated on June first, nineteen hundred and seventeen, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act is hereby repealed.

Approved April 1, 1919.

Chapter 135.

An Act to Provide for the Licensing of the Sardine Packers, to Improve the Quality of Fish used for Sardines and to Establish Standards of Measures for Sardine Herring.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Sea and shore fisheries commission to make rules to improve sardine pack. That it is essential to the development and welfare of the sardine industry to improve the quality of sardines delivered at the factories and to maintain proper control of said industry. For this purpose the means and authority hereinafter set forth are created and conferred. The sea and shore fisheries commission is authorized to make such regulations and to issue such orders as are essential effectively to carry out the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. "Feedy" fish defined; not to be used for sardines. No fish over twenty per cent of which are "feedy" shall be used for sardines unless they are cut and eviscerated. Fish shall be considered "feedy" if their stomachs are distended with shrimp or red feed to a diameter of three-eighths