

[No. 108, A.]

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CHAPTER 220.

AN ACT to prevent the obstruction of rivers and streams used for the purpose of driving and floating logs.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Obstructing of
streams prohib-
ited.

SECTION 1. Any person who shall materially obstruct the navigation of any river or stream in this state, used for the purpose of driving and floating saw-logs thereon, by banking or "browing" logs therein, in such manner as to unnecessarily endanger or delay the passage of logs owned by other parties higher up on such stream, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than two hundred dollars, and in addition thereto, shall be liable for all damages sustained by other persons by reason of such obstruction and delay in driving and floating logs from points higher up on such stream.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 221.

AN ACT to authorize John Duncan, his associates and assigns, to build dams on Silver creek, in Taylor and Price counties, and to maintain the same for floating logs, and to charge tolls for driving logs and for the use thereof, and to protect their rights and improvements thereon.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Location of
dam.

SECTION 1. John Duncan, his associates and assigns, are hereby granted the exclusive right, and hereby authorized to build, keep and maintain dams on Silver creek, in Taylor and Price counties, at such points on said creek and its tributaries above the point where the railroad of the Wisconsin Central railroad company crosses said creek, as may be deemed by them best for the purpose of flooding and gathering heads of water for the purpose of driving logs and timber down and out of said creek, and may maintain dams already built by them on the said creek and its tributaries.

Gates and
slides.

SECTION 2. They shall maintain in said dams suitable gates and slides or sluices, for the purpose of

sluicing and driving logs down said creek and its tributaries, and to improve said stream and tributaries at all points above said railroad crossing, and so keep the same and said dams and improvements in repair, as to enable them to drive logs and timber down said stream and its tributaries; and in consideration of the maintaining of the said dams and other improvements and the facilities thereby attained for floating and driving logs and timber, shall be and are hereby authorized to charge and collect and receive, of any and all persons owning or controlling the same, twenty-five cents per thousand feet, board measure, on logs and timber; the amount of logs and timber shall be determined by the lumber inspector of the district wherein such dams or any of them are situated, or by the agreement of the parties. Tolls.

SECTION 3. It shall be lawful for the said John Duncan, his associates or assigns, whenever they shall make a drive in said river, to take possession of all logs and timber put into said stream or its tributaries above said railroad crossing, or in the rollways when they shall obstruct the drive, and the owners shall not have made adequate provision for driving the same or for breaking said rollways, and to break said rollways and to drive said logs and timber down said stream and its tributaries, and to charge, collect and receive for their services on all logs and timber so taken possession of, the cost of breaking the rollways and the proportionate share of the expenses of the whole drive. The amount of said logs and timber so driven shall be determined in the manner hereinbefore provided, and all charges for such toll and such services and expenses shall be, and said Duncan, his associates and assigns, shall have a lien therefor, on said logs and timber until the charges therein are fully paid, which lien may be enforced the same as liens for labor on logs are enforced in said counties or either of them. May drive logs belonging to others.
Compensation.

SECTION 4. It shall be unlawful for any other person or persons to build or to maintain hereafter any dam already built across said stream or tributaries, above said railroad crossing, without keeping and having in the same, suitable gates and sluices of sufficient width and opening to within eight inches of the original bed or bottom of the stream, to admit of the said drive of logs and timber; and during the necessary time for any drive, it shall be lawful for said Duncan, his associates and assigns, to open said gates and sluices, and to make an opening in any dam or dams not provided with Unlawful to build dams without gates and slides.

such sluices or gates, so far as such opening may be necessary to render practicable any drive, but after the drive is completed, they shall put said dam again in good condition for use; and for such opening and keeping open, they shall not be liable, nor shall their agents, employes or servants be liable for any damages or trespass to any person.

Compensation
for use of im-
provements.

SECTION 5. For the use of their improvements by any other person, for the purpose of a drive on said stream or its tributaries above said crossing, they are authorized to charge and collect a reasonable sum.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 29, 1881.

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CHAPTER 222.

AN ACT to appropriate to the state board of immigration, a sum of money therein named.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Appropriation,
\$4,000.

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the board of immigration of the state of Wisconsin, in addition to the amount already appropriated, the sum of two thousand dollars each for the years 1881 and 1882, out of any money in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of more effectually promoting the cause of immigration to this state; said money to be drawn pursuant to the provisions of chapter one hundred and seventy-six of the general laws of the year 1879.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 223.

AN ACT to amend section six, chapter one hundred and seventy-six, laws of 1879, entitled "an act to establish a board of immigration."

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Secretary and
agents.

SECTION 1. Section six, of chapter one hundred and seventy-six, laws of 1879, is amended so as to