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## CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT to authorize Wm. Wilson, Andrew Tainter, T. B. Wilson, H. L. Stout, John H. Knapp, their associates and assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across Bear creek, on land owned by The Knapp, Stout & Co., company.

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

By whom and  
where dam may  
be built.

SECTION 1. William Wilson, Andrew Tainter, T. B. Wilson, H. L. Stout, John H. Knapp, their associates and assigns, are hereby authorized to construct and maintain a dam across Bear creek, so called, on land owned by said The Knapp, Stout & Co., company, in section number eighteen, in township number thirty-six north, of range number eleven west, of the fourth principal meridian, in the county of Barron; said dam to be constructed for hydraulic and manufacturing purposes, and for the purpose of facilitating the driving of logs and timber down said stream: *provided*, that said dam shall not interfere with the rights of any person heretofore acquired. The aforesaid persons, their successors and assigns, shall build suitable slides in said dam for running logs, timber and lumber over the same, and shall keep the same in repair, and shall put through said dam all logs, timber and lumber belonging to any and all other parties free of expense and charge.

Previously ac-  
quired rights  
not disturbed.

Penalty for  
damaging dam.

SECTION 2. Any person or persons who shall willfully break or destroy said dam, or shall open the same, shall be liable to the proprietors thereof in an action of trespass to the amount of damages done in addition to the penalties already provided by law, to be recovered before any court of competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 26, 1879.