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CHAPTER 423.

AN ACT to prevent obstruction to the flow of water in Rock River, within the county of Rock, to the injury of the water power.

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

Relating to obstructing Rock River.

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful and presumptively injurious and dangerous to persons and property to drive piles, build piers, cribs or other structures, or place ashes, earth, stone, shavings, sawdust or other insoluble material in Rock River, within the limits of the county of Rock; and the doing of any such act shall be enjoined, at the suit of any resident tax-payer, without proof that any injury or danger has been or will be caused by reason of such act.

SECTION 2. The doing of any such act shall also be enjoined at the suit of any owner or lessee of the right to use water of said river to operate any mill or factory within said county, without proof of any further fact than that such act will cause the water of said river to rise or set back, to some extent, at the place where the water used to operate such mill or factory is discharged into said river.

SECTION 3. This act shall not be deemed as applying to or prohibiting the erection of bridges for railways and public highways, or to the repair or reconstruction of any dam now in said river within said county. And nothing in this act contained shall in any wise affect or prejudice any party to the action now pending in the circuit court for Rock county, otherwise the Janesville Cotton Mills and others are plaintiffs and Edwin F. Carpenter is defendant, in respect to their respective rights, remedies or defenses in said action or the matters in controversy therein.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 12, 1887.

Acts, how enjoined.

Certain bridges may be erected, etc.