

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved March 4, 1875.

CHAPTER 217.

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AN ACT for the preservation of fish in Wolf Creek and Gratiot mill-pond, in the county of La Fayette.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to kill, destroy, or take in any way or manner, any fish in Wolf Creek or the Gratiot mill-pond, in the county of La Fayette, between the first day of October and the tenth day of May.

Unlawful to take fish at certain times.

SECTION 2. Every person who shall violate the preceding section shall, upon conviction, suffer a fine of two dollars for each such fish so killed, caught, destroyed or taken, or pursued with the intent to kill, catch, destroy or take, together with the costs of prosecution.

Penalty for violation.

SECTION 3. Any person or persons who shall molest, disturb or destroy any fish at the time of their spawning, or disturb or destroy their spawning-beds or nests between the first day of January and the tenth day of May of each year, shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to and liable for a penalty of not less than five dollars, nor more than fifteen dollars, for every such act committed in said Wolf Creek or Gratiot mill-pond, in La Fayette county, together with the costs of prosecution.

Unlawful to disturb spawning-beds.

Penalty.

SECTION 4. Justices of the peace of the said county of La Fayette shall have cognizance and jurisdiction of all offenses under this act, without regard to the aggregate amount of fines imposed in one case. All prosecutions under this act shall be deemed criminal proceedings, and shall be conducted as provided by law for the prosecution of offenses, cognizable before justices of the peace; and in all convictions under the act one-half of all fines and penalties shall be paid over by the justice or person collecting the same to

Justice to have jurisdiction.

the person who shall inform or make the complaint in the case.

Repeal of conflicting laws SECTION 5. All laws heretofore passed conflicting with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect from its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 218.

[Published March 17, 1875.]

AN ACT for fixing the terms of the supreme court and regulating the practice therein, and concerning the justices thereof.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Sessions of supreme court. SECTION 1. There shall hereafter be held at Madison in the supreme court room, two sessions of the supreme court in each year, to be called the January and August terms. The January term shall commence on the Tuesday next preceding the second Wednesday in January, and the August term shall commence on the second Tuesday in August.

Adjournment of court. SECTION 2. One justice of the court in the absence of the other justices, may adjourn the court to a day in the same term, and in the absence of all of the justices, such adjournment may be made to a day appointed in an order signed by two of the justices and filed with the clerk.

Issue of fact may be sent to circuit court for trial. SECTION 3. When an issue of fact shall be joined in any action commenced in the supreme court, the court may, in its discretion, send the same to some circuit court for trial; and it shall be tried in such circuit court in the same manner as other issues of fact are tried, and returns shall be made thereupon as directed by the supreme court. The supreme court may also, in any such case, order that a special verdict be found and returned.

May order special verdict. SECTION 4. When the court is not in session, any graduate of the law department of the University of Wisconsin may be admitted as an attorney and counselor in the supreme court by an order made by one of the justices thereof and filed with the clerk.