CHAPTER 308.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE CATCHING OF FISH IN RICE LAKE, STEARNS COUNTY, MINNESOTA.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to catch or destroy, or in any manner to take away fish from the waters of Rice lake, in the county of Stearns and state of Minnesota, or in any inlets or outlets connected with the said lake and being within one (1) mile thereof, between the first (1st) day of December and the first (1st) day of June of each year, or at any season of the year, except by angling with the hook and line.

Section 2. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of the preceding sections shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall suffer and pay a fine not less than ten dollars ($10) nor more than twenty-five dollars ($25), together with costs of prosecution, and in default of the payment of such fine and costs, shall be committed to the county jail of the county for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days for every offence.

Section 3. All prosecutions under the provisions of this act shall be commenced by complaints under oath within sixty (60) days from the time the offence was committed, before any justice of the peace in the county where such offence was committed, and all fines collected under the provisions of this act shall be paid one-half (½) to the complainant and one-half (½) into the county common school fund of the county.

Section 4. Suits may be commenced and prosecuted by any person having knowledge of the violation of this act.

Section 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1883.