

SENATE . . . No. 230.

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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts.**

SENATE, May 11, 1887.

The Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred the Order relative to amending or repealing existing laws restricting the catching of fish in the harbor of Newburyport, report the accompanying Bill.

For the Committee,

BENJ. F. COOK.

Messrs. YOUNG and DAME, of the House, dissent.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

### AN ACT

To amend an Act relative to Fishing in the Merrimack River.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section one of chapter one hun-  
2 dred and sixty-six of the acts of the year eighteen  
3 hundred and eighty-two is hereby amended so as  
4 to read: The penalties provided by chapter nine-  
5 ty-one of the Public Statutes relative to fishing in  
6 the Merrimack River, shall not apply to or be in  
7 force against any person drawing a net or seine  
8 at any point below Essex Merrimack bridge in  
9 said river, unless such person shall take salmon  
10 or river shad; nor shall a person taking a salmon  
11 or river shad while thus lawfully fishing, and im-  
12 mediately returning it alive to the waters from  
13 which it was taken, be liable to any of the afore-  
14 said penalties.

1 SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its  
2 passage.



