## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 10.

## STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND-EIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the national Bell telephone company of the state of Maine," passed in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty, and being chapter two hundred and seventy-one of the private and special laws of said year.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

- Section 1. Section two of chapter two hundred
- 2 and seventy-one of the private and special laws of
- 3 the year eighteen hundred and eighty, is hereby
- 4 amended by adding to said section the following:
- 5 "And said corporation is also authorized to lease,
- 6 purchase, construct, maintain and operate telephone
- 7 lines, and to carry on so much of their business as

8 may be convenient beyond the limits of the state;

9 and may there lease, purchase and hold any real

10 and personal estate deemed necessary for conduct-

11 ing the same," so that said section, as amended,

12 may read as follows:

13 Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized

14 to construct, maintain and operate telephone lines

15 throughout the length and breadth of this state,

16 with as many wires and branches as they may see

17 fit, commencing and terminating at such point, or

18 points, as they may select hereafter, within the

19 limits aforesaid. And said corporation is also

20 authorized to lease, purchase, construct, maintain

21 and operate telephone lines, and to carry on so

22 much of their business as may be convenient be-

23 youd the limits of the state; and may there lease,

24 purchase and hold any real and personal estate

25 deemed necessary for conducting the same.

Sect. 2. Section three of said chapter two

2 hundred and seventy-one of the private and special

3 laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, is hereby

4 amended by striking out the words "five hundred

5 thousand" where they occur in the third and eighth

6 lines of said section three, and inserting instead

7 thereof the words "two million two hundred

- 8 thousand" so that the said section three as amended,
- 9 shall read as follows:
- 10 Sect. 3. The capital stock of said company,
- 11 shall be of such an amount as they may, from time
- 12 to time, determine to be necessary not exceeding
- 13 two million two hundred thousand dollars, for the
- 14 exclusive purpose of purchasing, constructing,
- 15 maintaining and operating telephone lines hereby
- 16 authorized and contemplated, and they may pur-
- 17 chase, hold and dispose of such personal and real
- 18 estate as may be necessary for that purpose, not
- 19 exceeding two million two hundred thousand dol-
- 20 lars, and shall have power by agreement with other
- 21 persons, or bodies corporate, to connect its lines
- 22 with other telephone or telegraph lines within or
- 23 without the state.
  - SECT. 3. This act may be accepted at any regu-
  - 2 lar or special meeting of said corporation, by a
  - 3 majority of the members present, and shall take
  - 4 effect from and after its approval by the governor.

## STATE OF MAINE.

In SENATE, January 25, 1883.

On motion of Mr. YOUNG of Cumberland, laid on the table to be printed.

C. W. TILDEN, Secretary.