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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty - Third Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 211.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to the Boston and Maine Railroad.

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

Section 1. The Boston and Maine Railroad is

- 2 authorized to acquire by purchase the road, fran-
- 3 chises and property of the Eastern Railroad Com-
- 4 pany, and after such acquisition and purchase, may
- 5 also acquire by purchase the roads, franchises and
- 6 properties of any railroad corporations whose roads
- 7 are operated in Massachusetts or New Hampshire
- 8 either by it or by said Eastern Railroad Company,
- 9 under lease, contract or through ownership of stock,
- 10 and also of the following railroad corporations in
- 11 the State of Maine, namely: The Portland, Saco
- 12 and Portsmouth Railroad Company, the Portland

13 and Rochester Railroad, the Portsmouth, Great 14 Falls and Conway Railroad Company, the Kenne-15 bunk and Kennebunkport Railroad Company and 16 the Orchard Beach Railroad Company. The pur-17 chases herein authorized, and each of them, shall 18 be made on such terms and conditions as may be 19 agreed to by the purchasing and selling corporation, 20 and as shall be approved at meetings called for the 21 purpose, by the votes of a majority in interest of 22 the stockholders of the purchasing corporation, 23 and of the stockholders of the selling corporation 24 other than said Boston and Maine Railroad and 25 said Eastern Railroad Company and stockholders 26 holding stock for the benefit of either of them. 27 For the purpose of facilitating and effecting the 28 purchases of the roads, franchises and properties 29 of the corporations herein authorized to be pur-30 chased or any of them, the said Boston and Maine 31 Railroad may purchase the stock, bonds and other 32 obligations or any part thereof of any of said cor-33 porations; may from time to time increase its own 34 capital stock to such amount as may be agreed 35 upon by itself and the selling corporation; may 36 make such portion of its capital stock, as already 37 existing or as increased under the authority of this 38 Act, as the corporation may decide, preferred stock 39 entitled to dividends upon such terms of entire or 40 partial preference as the corporation may determine; 41 may exchange its stock, bonds or notes for the 42 stock, bonds, property, rights and franchises and 43 in payment of the liabilities of any of said pur-44 chased corporations, and may guarantee the pay-45 ment of the bonds of any of said corporations, 46 whose roads, properties and franchises it is author-47 ized to purchase, whether said bonds be already 48 issued and outstanding, or be thereafter issued to 49 refund existing indebtedness. After the purchases 50 herein authorized, or any of them, said Boston and 51 Maine Railroad shall have and enjoy all the rights, 52 privileges, franchises and property theretofore had 53 and enjoyed by the corporation whose road, fran-54 chises and property it has purchased, and shall, 55 with reference to said road, franchises and prop-56 erty, be subject to its duties, debts and liabilities.

- SECT. 2. Whenever any of the purchases author-2 ized by this act shall be effected, copies of the votes 3 of the respective corporations assenting to the same, 4 certified by the clerks of said respective corpora-5 tions, shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of 7 State.
- SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its 2 passage.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, March 3, 1887.

Tabled, pending third reading, and ordered printed on motion of Mr. HAWKES of Portland.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.