

# SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

# SENATE

# NO. 46

In Senate, Jan. 21, 1913.

Presented by Senator Clark of York, and on motion by Senator Hersey of Aroostook laid on the table for printing pending reference to a committee.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

### STATE OF MAINE

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN.

AN ACT to amend Section forty-eight of Chapter forty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to corporations owning property or conducting business in foreign countries.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Section forty-eight of chapter forty-seven of 2 the Revised Statutes is hereby amended so that said section, 3 as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 48. Any corporation of this state may conduct 5 business in other states, territories or possessions of the 6 United States, or in foreign countries, and have one or 7 more officers out of the state, and may hold, purchase, 8 mortgage and convey real estate and personal property, out

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9 of this state. Any corporation in this state owning con-10 cessions, railroads, port works or manufactories in a for-II eign country, or conducting its principal business or oper-12 ations in such country, may provide by its by-laws for the 13 issue of certificates or warrants, transferable by delivery, 14 entitling the bearer to the number of shares in the corpo-15 ration specified therein, and for the manner of voting there-16 on; for buying in or retiring preferred shares at not less 17 than par; for exchanging preferred shares, with the con-18 sent of the owners thereof, for other preferred or common 19 shares created by the corporation; for the conversion of 20 bonds or debentures of the corporation into preferred or 21 common shares at not less than par; provided that such by-22 laws shall be approved by a majority of stockholders of 23 such corporation at a legal meeting. Any contract for the 24 acquisition of concessions, railroads and properties by any 25 such corporation and payment therefor according to the 26 laws of this state, which shall have been approved by a 27 majority of the stockholders of such corporation at a legal 28 meeting, and filed in the office of the secretary of state c9 within twenty days after such meeting shall be valid and 30 binding upon the corporation and all future shareholders. 31 Any such corporation may conduct a banking business or 32 business of a trust company in a foreign country, under and 23 according to the laws thereof. Any such corporation, by 24 vote of a majority of its stockholders at a legal meeting, 55 may alter, amend or enlarge the purposes for which it was

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36 formed, provided such altered, amended or enlarged pur-37 poses are authorized by this chapter and are approved by 38 the attorney general of the state as being authorized, and 39 provided that a certificate of such alteration, amendment 40 or enlargement or purposes is filed in the office of the sec-41 retary of state within twenty days after such meeting.'