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# PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

THIRD LEGISLATURE,

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privileges usually granted to other societies, instituted for the purposes of charity and beneficence.

First meeting. **SECT. 2.** *Be it further enacted,* That the first meeting of said corporation shall be holden at such time and place, and be notified in such manner as the majority of the persons herein named may direct.

Powers may be altered, &c. **SECT. 3.** *Be it further enacted,* That the powers granted by this act may be enlarged, restrained, or repealed, at the pleasure of the Legislature.

[*This Act passed January 21, 1823.*]

### CHAPTER CLVIII.

AN ACT to incorporate the proprietors of the Montville and Sears-  
mont Canal.

Persons' incor- **SECT. 1.** *BE it enacted by the Senate and House* of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That Samuel Thompson, Theophilus Sargent, Moses French, together with their associates, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the proprietors of the Montville and Sears-  
mont Canal; with power to sue and be sued; to have a common seal, and to change the same; and to make any by-laws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of this State.

Powers, &c. **SECT. 2.** *Be it further enacted,* That the proprietors aforesaid, be, and they hereby are empowered; with-  
in the term of two years, to make a Canal from the western branch of the St. George's river, near Nash's mills, in Montville, to a certain place on the eastern  
Place of Canal. branch of said river, in said Montville, in the county of Lincoln, for the purpose of furnishing water for mills.

Damage how **SECT. 3.** *Be it further enacted,* That if any person shall suffer damage, by means of said Canal, and the parties cannot agree on the amount of damages, nor upon some suitable person or persons to estimate the same, then some disinterested committee of three freeholders in said county, shall be appointed by the Court of Common Pleas in and for said county; and the determination of the Committee, so appointed, shall be the measure of said damages.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons shall wilfully destroy or injure said Canal, or any part thereof, to the damage of the proprietors thereof, he or they shall pay treble damages for such trespass, to be sued for and recovered, in any Court proper to try the same. Penalty for injuring Canal.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That Samuel Thompson be, and he hereby is authorized, to call the first meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as he shall direct, by notifying each proprietor of the time and place of meeting. First meeting.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this act, may be enlarged, restrained, or repealed, at the pleasure of the Legislature. Powers may be controlled by the Legislature.

[*This Act passed January 21, 1823.*]

## CHAPTER CLIX.

AN ACT to establish a Ministerial and School Fund in the town of Madison.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That David Rowell, John Neal, Jedediah Hayden, Nathaniel Blackwell, Jonathan Russell, Benjamin Weston, Goff Moore, and their successors, be, and they hereby are, incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the trustees of the ministerial and school funds in the town of Madison; with power to sue and be sued; to have a common seal and to change the same at pleasure; to make any by-laws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of the State; and to sell and convey all the ministerial and school lands belonging to the town of Madison; and any deed thereof, duly executed and acknowledged by the Treasurer of said corporation, by the direction of the trustees, shall be good and effectual in law to pass the same to the purchaser; and the money arising from such sale, as soon as may be, shall be put at interest by said trustees, and secured by mortgage of real estate or by bond, or note with two or more sufficient sureties, or invested in public funded securities. Persons incorporated. Powers to sell ministerial and school lands, and place proceeds at interest.