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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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SEVENTH LEGISLATURE,

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Treasurer to give bond. duties of their offices respectively: And the said Treasurer shall also be required, before entering upon the duties of his office, to give bond to said corporation, in such sum as they may require, with sufficient sureties, to be by them approved, for the faithful performance of his said duties.

First meeting, how called, &c. **SECT. 6.** *Be it further enacted,* That the first meeting of said corporation may be called at such time and place in Saco, as may be directed by a majority of the persons named in the first section of this Act, by giving notice thereof in the public newspaper printed at Saco.

Powers restricted. **SECT. 7.** *Be it further enacted,* That the powers granted in this Act, may be enlarged, restricted or annulled, at the pleasure of the Legislature.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 1, 1827.*]

CHAPTER CCCCXLVII.

AN ACT repealing the Act to annex lot number seven in the thirteenth range in township number four to Dixfield.

Former act repealed. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That “An Act to annex lot number seven, in the thirteenth range, in township number four, to Dixfield,” be, and the same hereby is repealed.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 1, 1827.*]

CHAPTER CCCCXLVIII.

AN ACT to incorporate the Trustees of the Bath Public Library.

Persons incorporated. **SECT. 1.** *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That David C. Magoon, Joseph Sewall, Freeman Clark, William D. Sewall, William P. Smith, their associates and successors, be, and they hereby are, constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of The Trustees of the

Bath Public Library, for the purpose of holding, increasing and preserving a Library within the town of Bath; with power to prosecute and defend suits at law; to have and use a common seal; and to possess and hold to them, their successors and assigns, real or personal estate to any amount not exceeding five thousand dollars, over and above the value of their books: And to have, exercise and enjoy all the privileges and immunities usually granted or incident to similar institutions.

for the purpose
of holding a Li-
brary.

Powers, &c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said board of Trustees shall never consist of more than thirteen, nor less than three; and a majority of the Trustees, for the time being, shall form a quorum; with power to fill all vacancies that may happen in said board: And said Trustees shall have the care and custody of all the books and other property of said corporation; they shall make all needful rules and regulations for the use and government of said Library; and shall have power to establish fines and penalties for the injury or detention of books, and to enforce the payment thereof; and shall determine upon and establish a yearly sum to be paid by persons for the use of the Library, and a sum to be paid by persons to entitle them to the use of said Library during life: *Provided,* That the annual sums to be paid by persons for the use of the Library, shall never be less than one dollar, and the sum to be paid by any person to entitle him to the use of the Library during life, shall never be less than ten dollars.

Number of Trus-
tees fixed, &c.

Farther powers.

Provisc.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That no person shall be eligible as a member of said board of Trustees, unless he dwells and has his home in Bath, and has, at the time of his election, complied with all the rules and regulations established for the government and maintenance of the Library: and if any Trustee shall decease, resign or remove from the town, or neglect to pay the sum required to be paid for the use of

Persons ineligi-
ble to be Trus-
tees.

the Library, his seat shall forthwith become vacated and be filled by a new election.

Minors, above the age of 12 years, may have the use of the Library, upon certain conditions.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That any person above the age of twelve years, dwelling and having his home in the town of Bath, and being of good moral character, may have the use of said Library, so long as he shall pay to the Treasurer thereof, annually, in advance, one dollar, or such further annual sum as shall hereafter be determined by the Trustees; and so long as he shall comply with the rules and regulations established for the government and maintenance of said Library: And any person of the qualifications aforesaid, who shall, at any one time pay to the Treasurer aforesaid ten dollars, or such further sum as may hereafter be determined by said Trustees, shall be entitled to the use of said Library during his life, upon complying with all the rules and regulations aforesaid: *Provided,* That no money shall be received of any minor for the use or benefit of said Library, without the assent in writing of his or her parent or guardian, if he or she have any, resident in this State.

Proviso.

Property to be held by Trustees and their successors, and never to be divided, or disposed of except as by the provisions of this Act.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That all the books of said Library, and all other property and funds belonging to the same, shall be vested in, and entrusted to said board of Trustees; which board and their successors shall hold the same for the benefit of, and in trust for, the purposes specified in this Act: and the same shall never be divided, alienated, or in any other way disposed of, than is herein specified; and all monies and property belonging to said corporation, arising from annual or life payments, subscriptions, donations, fines, or otherwise, shall, after deducting the expenses of the Library, and as soon as may be after the receipt thereof, be appropriated by the Trustees to the purchase of books for the increase of the Library.

Provision when number of Trustees shall become less than three.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That if at any time, the number of Trustees of said Library shall be less than three, then the three

oldest regularly ordained and then settled ministers of the Gospel in Bath, shall become and be Trustees of said Library, who, together with the remaining Trustees, if any there be, shall have all the powers, and be subject to all the duties named in this Act: *Provided however*, That if ever one year shall elapse, without any person becoming entitled to the use of said Library, other than the Trustees, then the Library and all the property and funds belonging to the same, shall be vested in and delivered to the Trustees of the Bath Academy, to be held by them and their successors for the use of the pupils of said seminary and such inhabitants of Bath as may comply with the requisitions of this Act, and the rules established by the Trustees by virtue hereof.

Property to be vested in the Trustees of Bath Academy, in certain cases.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That the Trustees shall annually appoint a Librarian, Treasurer, Secretary, and such other officers as may be necessary; who, at the time of their appointment, and during their continuance in office, shall have complied with all the rules and regulations established for the government and maintenance of the Library, and who shall be accountable to the Trustees by bond or otherwise for the due performance of the duties of their respective offices; and who may receive such compensation as the Trustees may, from time to time, determine.

Officers to be appointed by the Trustees, &c.

SECT. 8. *Be it further enacted*, That there shall be an annual meeting of said Trustees, to be held at such time and place, within the town of Bath, as said Trustees may, at any regular meeting determine. And any three of the before named Trustees are hereby empowered to call the first meeting of said Trustees, by causing a notice of the time and place of such meeting to be published in any newspaper printed in Bath, seven days before the time appointed therefor.

Annual meeting when and where held.

First meeting how called, &c.

SECT. 9. *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this Act, may be enlarged, restrained or repealed, at the pleasure of the

Powers restricted.

Former act re-
pealed.

Legislature: And that an Act passed at the last session, on the sixth day of March, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-six, incorporating the Bath Public Library be, and the same hereby is repealed.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 1, 1827.*]

CHAPTER CCCCXLIX.

AN ACT to incorporate the Boston Manufacturing Company.

Persons incorpo-
rated.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That John Roberts, Theodore C. Lyman, Joshua Roberts, their associates and successors, be, and they hereby are, incorporated and made a body politic, by the name of the Boston Manufacturing Company; for the purpose of carrying on the manufacture of Cotton or Woollen goods in the town of Lebanon, in the County of York, and for this purpose, shall have all the powers and privileges, and be subject to all the duties and requirements, contained in an Act passed the eighth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, defining the general powers and duties of Manufacturing Corporations, and in an additional Act, passed the fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three.

Powers, &c.

May hold estate,
&c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said corporation may purchase and hold, real and personal estate, to an amount not exceeding at any one time, six hundred thousand dollars; and may erect on such real estate, any dams, mills, works, machines, and buildings, that may be necessary or useful, in carrying on the business of said corporation.

Powers restricted

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the powers granted by this Act may be enlarged, restrained or annulled, at the pleasure of the Legislature.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 1, 1827.*]