

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

SEVENTH LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS SESSION

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berlain, their associates, and assigns, be, and they are hereby declared a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Penobscot Steam Boat Navigation Company; with power to sue and be sued, to have a common seal, and to make such by-laws for the due regulation of said corporation as may be deemed necessary, provided they be not repugnant to the laws of this State.

Powers, &c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said corporation may have and hold real estate to the amount of five thousand dollars, and personal estate to the amount of twenty thousand dollars, and the same to use, sell and dispose of to promote the objects of said company. And said company may divide their property into as many shares as they may deem proper, of not less than fifty dollars each.

May hold estate, &c.

Property may be divided into shares.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That said Act may be altered or repealed at the pleasure of the Legislature.

Powers restricted

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 6, 1827.*]

CHAPTER CCCCLII.

AN ACT for the preservation of the Beaches and Salt Marshes in the town of Wells.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That from and after the first day of May next, no person shall presume to drive any neat cattle, horses, or sheep, upon any of the Beaches, lying between Wells harbor and Ogunquit harbor, so called, in the county of York, or upon the Salt Marshes in any part of said town of Wells, and leave them to feed there, or to be found going at large there, by the overseers of said beaches and marshes, whose appointment and duties are hereinafter provided for, under penalty of fifty cents the head for all neat cattle and horse kind, and ten cents for every sheep, one half to the overseer who may prosecute, together

Persons driving neat cattle, &c. upon the Beaches and Salt Marshes in Wells harbor, for the purpose of feeding, liable to penalty, &c.

with the expense of impounding when compelled so to do, under the provisions of this act, and the other half to the use of the town aforesaid; the expenses of impounding and the method thereof to be the same as regulated by existing laws respecting impounding cattle.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of said town of Wells, at their annual meeting in March or April for the choice of town officers, to choose two or more persons, who shall be denominated overseers and drivers of the beach and salt marshes, whose duty it shall be to carry into effect the several provisions required of them in this act, subject to the like penalties for neglect or refusal to serve as other town officers, chosen as aforesaid, are subject to in similar cases; and said overseers shall annually settle with the town treasurer, and pay over to him the town's proportion of all fines received by them under the provisions of this act.

Overseers and drivers of Beaches & Salt Marshes to be chosen;

their duty.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That no person shall presume to leave open any bars or gates across any road or way which leads to the Beaches or Salt Marshes aforesaid, under the penalty of two dollars; one half to the use of the overseer prosecuting for the same, and the other half to the use of the town of Wells.

Bars, &c. leading to the Beaches, &c. not to be left open.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That from and after the first day of May next, if any person shall cut or carry away from the Beaches aforesaid, any beach-grass growing thereon, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of eight dollars per ton, and in proportion for a greater or less quantity so cut and carried away; one half to the use of the overseer prosecuting therefor, and the other half to the use of said town of Wells.

Persons cutting and carrying away Beach grass liable to penalty.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That the several penalties imposed by this Act, and not otherwise provided for, may be recovered by action of debt in any Court of competent jurisdiction, in the name of any one of the overseers

Penalties, how recovered.

aforesaid, who may first prosecute therefor—and to the uses aforesaid.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 6, 1827.*]

CHAPTER CCCCLIII.

AN additional ACT respecting the Maine Wesleyan Seminary.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That Abraham Morrell, Obed Wilson, James B. Cahoone, Allen H. Cobb, Thomas Dodge, Joshua Taylor and David Kilburn, together with the President and Secretary for the time being, of the board of Trustees of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, and their associates and successors, be, and they hereby are constituted and established a board of Overseers of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary.*

Persons constituted a board of Overseers.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted, That the number of said overseers shall never exceed fifteen, seven of whom shall form a quorum for the transaction of business: and they shall have power from time to time to elect such officers of said board as they shall judge necessary and expedient; to fix the tenure of their offices; to remove any overseer who may neglect or refuse to fulfil the duties of his office; to fill all vacancies which may arise in said board; to determine the mode of electing the members of said board hereafter; the manner of notifying future meetings, and the time and place where they shall be held.*

Number of Overseers fixed;

their powers, &c.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted, That no member of the board of Trustees, except the President and Secretary, as is herein provided, shall be a member of the board of overseers aforesaid; and on the election of any member of one board into the other, except as before provided, his acceptance thereof shall be considered as vacating the place he then held in the board from which he was selected*

Trustees cannot be overseers, with exceptions.