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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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Chapter 116.

CHAP. 116.

An act to allow the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company to take stock in the Portland, Bangor and Machias Steamboat Company.

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

SECT. 1. The Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company is hereby authorized to subscribe for and take stock in the Portland, Bangor and Machias Steamboat Company, to an amount not exceeding thirty thousand dollars; *provided* the same shall be authorized by a meeting of the stockholders duly convened.

Subscriptions for stock, authorized.

Proviso.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 18, 1869.

Chapter 117.

An act to incorporate the Boothbay Village Corporation.

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

SECT. 1. The territory in the town of Boothbay, comprising school districts severally numbered one and seven of said town, together with the inhabitants thereon, is hereby created a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Boothbay Village Corporation, with all the rights and privileges provided by the laws of the state relating to corporations.

Boundaries.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and vested with power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise money to defray the expenses of a police, harbor master, and all other necessary regulations for the better security of property and the promotion of good order and quiet within its limits; for the purchase and repair of engines, and all other apparatus for the extinguishment of fires; for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts to supply water; for the erection and repair of suitable engine houses; for organizing and maintaining an efficient fire department; for the improvement of streets, sidewalks and public grounds, and for the support of schools.

May raise money for certain purposes.

SECT. 3. The organization, rights, powers and duties now held and exercised by said school districts, respectively numbered one and seven, under the laws of this state, are hereby merged and vested in, and shall be held and exercised by the corporation hereby established; and there shall be no other or separate organization thereof as a school district. Said corporation shall have all the rights and powers, and be subject to all the liabilities of other

School districts, their rights, powers, &c.

CHAP. 117.

Graded free schools.

school districts; and in addition thereto may establish and maintain a system of graded free schools, subject to the provisions of section twenty-six, of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, so far as the same are applicable.

Assessments.

SECT. 4. Any money raised by said corporation for the purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the property and polls within the territory aforesaid, by the assessors of said corporation, in the same manner as is by law provided for the assessment of town taxes. And said assessors may copy the last valuations of said property by the assessors of the town of Boothbay, and assess the tax thereon; or if the corporation shall so direct, may correct said valuation, or make a new valuation thereof, according to the principles established by the last state tax, and assess the tax on that valuation.

Assessors.

Duty of assessors.

SECT. 5. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors of said corporation, by the clerk thereof, of the amount of money raised at any meeting for the purposes aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said assessors, as soon as may be, to assess said amount upon the polls and estates of the persons residing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and lists of the assessments so made to certify and deliver to the collector, whose duty it shall be to collect the same in like manner as county and town taxes are by law collected by towns, and to pay over the same to the treasurer of said corporation, who shall receive the same and pay it out to order or direction of the corporation, and keep a regular account of all moneys received and paid out, and exhibit the same to the assessors whenever requested; and said corporation shall have the same power to direct the mode of collecting said taxes as towns have in the collection of town taxes.

Power of corporation in regard to collection of taxes.

Officers.

SECT. 6. The officers of said corporation may consist of a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, collector, assessors, fire warden's, school committee and such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of said corporation; and said officers shall severally have exclusively all the power and authority within the limits of said corporation, that similar officers now have, or may have, chosen by towns.

By-laws.

SECT. 7. Said corporation at any legal meeting thereof may adopt a code of by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of this state, for the efficient management of the municipal affairs of said corporation.

Officers shall be chosen by ballot, &c.

SECT. 8. All the officers of said corporation shall be chosen by ballot, and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties; the first election to be at the meeting of the legal voters of the corporation called to accept this charter, and the annual election of officers shall be in the month of January.

SECT. 9. The clerk shall keep a record of all the doings and proceedings at the meetings of said corporation.

CHAP. 118.

Clerk shall keep a record, &c.

SECT. 10. The collector and treasurer shall each give bonds in such sum as the corporation or the assessors may order, and not less than double the amount of the taxes raised as aforesaid, to the inhabitants of said corporation, for the faithful performance of their duties; and said bonds shall be approved by the assessors and clerk, and kept by the clerk.

Collector and treasurer, bonds of.

SECT. 11. Silas Smith, Westbrook G. Lewis, Cyrus McKown and John Auld, or either of them, are authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, by publishing the time, place and objects of said meeting, one week in a newspaper printed in Boothbay, if any, or by posting like notices in two public places within the limits of said corporation; the publication or posting of said notices to be seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and all subsequent meetings shall be called and notified in like manner by the assessors.

First meeting, how called.

SECT. 12. All persons liable to be taxed for polls, residing in the limits of said corporation, shall be legal voters at any meeting of said corporation.

Persons liable to be taxed.

SECT. 13. At the meeting prescribed in section eleven of this act, the legal voters shall vote by ballot on the question of accepting this charter, and if a majority shall vote in favor of its acceptance, then it shall take effect and the corporation shall proceed to organize and choose its officers.

Acceptance of charter.

SECT. 14. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor, but shall not be binding on said corporation unless accepted by them as hereinbefore provided.

When to take effect.

Approved February 18, 1869.

Chapter 118.

An act to incorporate the Lincoln Trotting Park Association.

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

SECT. 1. William R. Hersey, Frederick E. Nute, H. G. Coburn, John F. Robinson, John Tobin, Henry S. Wing, M. L. Ross, William R. Ayer, W. C. Clark, Joseph W. Libby, Timothy Fuller and Peleg T. Jones, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Lincoln Trotting Park Association, for the purpose of establishing, maintaining and using in the town of Lincoln, in the county of Penobscot, a trotting park, with all the appurtenances connected therewith, and for this purpose shall have all the powers and

Corporators.

Corporate name Purpose.