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OF THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 579.

An act to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom Company.

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

SECT. 1. The limits of the Bangor Boom Company are hereby extended from its present limits, up the Penobscot river as far as Howard's ledge on the east side of said river, and as far as the south line of Mount Hope cemetery on the west side of said river; but instead of piers within the extended limits, the boom shall be secured by buoys; and it shall be the duty of the said company after a drive of logs is run into the boom, to cause to be hung a boom to prevent rafts of sawed lumber passing into said boom.

Limits extended.

Boom to be secured by buoys.

Prevention of sawed lumber from passing into boom.

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

Approved February 9, 1871.

Chapter 580.

An act to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation.

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

SECT. 1. The territory included within the limits of school district number one in the town of Bucksport, together with the inhabitants thereon, be and the same hereby are created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Bucksport Village Corporation.

Territory and limits.

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 expense of a night watch, a police force, and all other necessary measures for the better security of life and property and for the promotion of good order and quiet within its limits; for the purchase, lease, repair and preservation of one or more fire engines, engine-houses, hose, buckets, ladders, or other apparatus for the extinguishment of fires, for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts to supply water, and for organizing and maintaining within its limits an efficient fire department.

May raise money to defray expenses of night watch or police force, &c.

Fire engines, &c., purchase of, authorized.

Reservoirs and aqueducts. Fire department.

SECT. 3. All money raised by said corporation for the purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the property and polls within the aforesaid territory, by the assessors of said corporation, in the same manner as is provided by law for the assessment of town taxes; and said assessors may copy the last valuation of said property by the assessors of the town of Bucksport, and assess the tax thereon if said corporation shall so direct, and may abate

Money raised, shall be assessed upon property and polls within said territory.

Abatement of tax in certain cases.

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any tax by them so assessed, the tax on polls not to exceed at any one assessment the sum of one dollar to each poll.

Assessors and clerk, duties of.

SECT. 4. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors of said corporation by the clerk thereof of the amount of the 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 personal estates of persons residing on said territory and upon all real estate of resident and non-resident proprietors thereof, within said territory, and the assessors to certify and deliver to the treasurer or collector of said corporation, whose duty it shall be to collect the same in like manner as town taxes are by law collected by towns; 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.

Treasurer and collector of corporation.

Officers of corporation and their powers and authority.

SECT. 5. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a clerk, assessors, treasurer, collector, fire wardens, board of police officers, and such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of said corporation; and the fire wardens to have exclusively all the power and authority within the limits of said corporation that fire wardens have or may have, chosen by towns; the said board of police officers to consist of such number as the corporation may decide, who shall be duly sworn and have power to execute all warrants, and have the same power to prevent public disturbances and preserve public peace within said corporation as is given by the laws of this state to constables, and to restrain all infractions of and carry into effect such by-laws as said corporation shall adopt in pursuance of this act.

Officers shall be duly sworn, &c.

By-laws.

SECT. 6. The said corporation, at any legal meeting thereof called for the purpose, may adopt such by-laws and provisions not inconsistent with the laws of this state, as they may deem expedient and necessary for the better government and regulation of the municipal affairs within said corporation, in which case such by-laws and provisions so adopted shall extend to said corporation as fully to all intents and purposes as the other provisions of this act, subject only to alterations or additions by a two-thirds vote, at a legal meeting of the corporation called for the purpose.

Meetings of corporation, how notified and warned.

SECT. 7. All meetings of said corporation after the first, shall be notified by warrant of the assessors, notices of which shall be posted up in two public places within its limits seven days prior to the meeting, stating the time, place and purposes of the meeting; and a meeting shall at any time be called on the written application of seven legal voters to said assessors, stating the time, place and purposes for which said meeting is requested.

First meeting, how and by whom called.

SECT. 8. Alonzo Colby, Nathan White and John Wentworth, or either of them, are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, and for that purpose to notify the legal voters

thereof to meet at some suitable time and place within the limits aforesaid, the notice to be posted up in two public places within said limits seven days before the time of said meeting; and either of said persons are authorized to preside at said meeting until after its organization and until its officers shall be chosen and sworn; and afterwards at all meetings of the corporation a moderator shall be chosen in the same manner and with the same powers as in town meetings.

SECT. 9. At the first meeting of said corporation the legal voters shall vote by ballot on the question of accepting this charter, and if two-thirds of the voters present at said meeting shall vote in favor of its acceptance, then this act shall take effect and the corporation shall then proceed to organize and choose its officers.

Charter, acceptance of.

SECT. 10. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor, so far as to empower the said first meeting to be called, and if this charter shall be accepted as provided in section nine of this act, then the same shall take and have complete effect in all its parts.

Act to take effect when accepted.

Approved February 9, 1871.

Chapter 581.

An act additional to "an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company."

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

SECT. 1. The International Telegraph Company is hereby authorized to extend its lines beyond the limits of this state to the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, by one route, or more, as the directors may determine; and for this purpose said company may construct, or may lease or purchase of any other company or companies, and may hold, maintain and operate such lines the same as if within this state, subject to the provisions of its charter. And any such lease or purchase already made is hereby authorized and made valid.

Extension of lines beyond limits of state, authorized.

Company may construct, or may lease or purchase of any other company or companies, lines in the state, and any such lease or purchase, already made, is hereby made valid.

SECT. 2. Said company is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock to such amount as may be deemed necessary for the purposes named in this act.

Capital stock, increase of, authorized.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

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