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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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CHAP. 165

Chapter 165.

An Act to extend the time for the location and construction of the Maine Shore Line Railroad, and for other purposes.

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

Charter of Maine Shore Line R. R. extended.

SECT. 1. The time for the location and commencement of the construction of the Maine Shore Line Railroad by the Maine Shore Line Railroad Company, authorized by the act incorporating said company, chapter ninety-one of the special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-one, is hereby extended to the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, and the time for the completion of said railroad under said charter is hereby extended to the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven. Said charter shall be continued in full force for said purposes.

Authorized to extend its road from Ellsworth to some point on line of Eastern Maine Railway.

SECT. 2. The said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company is also hereby further authorized to extend said railroad authorized in its charter, and to locate, construct, equip, maintain and operate a railroad for such extension from some point in the city of Ellsworth, by such route as its directors may select, to some point upon the line of the railroad of the Eastern Maine Railway Company, and to contract with said Eastern Maine Railway Company for the use of the track, bridges, stations and other property of the latter company, and to run its trains over said Eastern Maine Railroad to connect with any railroad on the west side of the Penobscot river.

All original rights preserved.

All the rights, powers and authority conferred upon said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company by its charter shall include the extension of said railroad authorized by this section.

Time for construction limited.

SECT. 3. If said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company shall not, in good faith, commence both the location and actual substantial construction of such extension or railroad authorized by the next preceding section, being the second section of this act, to wit: the line from Ellsworth to the line of the railroad of the Eastern Maine Railway Company, by the first day of August next, then the said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company shall forfeit all its rights, powers and authority under said second section, and the rights, powers and authority of the Eastern Maine Railway Company to locate and con-

struct a railroad over said territory, as named in the act, entitled "An Act to authorize the Eastern Maine Railway Company to extend its railroad" passed at this session, shall become established. Should said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company so commence said extension and railroad authorized by the second section, it shall have until said first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, to complete the same. *Provided, however,* that nothing in this section shall affect the authority, rights and powers of said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company east of Union river.

Proviso.

SECT. 4. Said Eastern Maine Railway Company may petition the railroad commissioners to determine whether the said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company has forfeited the authority, rights and powers conferred by the second section of this act. Said commissioners shall thereupon fix a time and place for a hearing, and give thirty days notice thereof to each company, and at said time and place shall hear the parties and determine said questions, and certify their decision to the secretary of state, who shall file and record the same. Such decision shall be conclusive. The omissions, however, to procure such decision shall not be a waiver of such forfeiture.

R. R. commissioners to determine if M. S. L. R. R. Co. has forfeited right to extend its road.

Proceedings

SECT. 5. Said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company is authorized to lease the whole, or any part of its railroad, including the extension authorized by this act, to any other railroad company, and to connect or consolidate the same with any other railroad company, in the State or the province of New Brunswick, and such other railroad company is hereby authorized to take a lease thereof. Said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company is also authorized to lease or hire of any connecting railroad company its railroad or any part thereof.

Authorized to lease its road.

SECT. 6. All the powers, rights, and authority conferred upon said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company, by its charter or this act, shall continue to be held and exercised by said company or its assigns, as to so much of any of the said railroad, or extension, authorized in its charter or this act, as may be completed by the times limited in this act.

All original powers continued in force.

SECT. 7. Said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company may increase its capital stock to twenty-five thousand shares of one hundred dollars each.

Capital increased.

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Authorized to
build branches.

SECT. 8. Said Maine Shore Line Railroad Company may locate, construct and operate branch tracks from its line in any one town.

SECT. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved January 24, 1883.

Chapter 166.

An Act to authorize the Eastern Maine Railway Company to extend its railroad, and for other purposes.

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

Eastern Maine
Railway Co.
authorized to
extend its road.

SECT. 1. The Eastern Maine Railway Company is hereby authorized to locate, construct, maintain and operate a railroad from some point upon its present line of railroad to some point upon the island of Mount Desert in Hancock county, and a branch line of railroad from some point in the city of Ellsworth to some point upon Frenchman's bay in the town of Lamoine. The route and the termini of said railroad and branch so authorized, shall be such as the directors of said company may select and locate within said limits.

—to construct
branches.

SECT. 2. Said company may locate, construct, maintain and operate any branch track in any town upon its line.

—erect bridges
across navigable
waters.

SECT. 3. Said company may erect and maintain bridges for its railroad across any navigable waters upon its line, but shall maintain sufficient draws for the passage of vessels.

—to issue bonds.

SECT. 4. For the purpose of locating, constructing, maintaining, equipping and operating any railroad and branches authorized by this act, the said Eastern Maine Railway Company is authorized to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, in such denominations and on such time and at such rate of interest as its directors may determine, and secure the same by mortgages of all of its franchises and property.

—to lease to
other companies.

SECT. 5. Said Eastern Maine Railway Company may lease its railroad or any portion thereof to any other railroad company or to any steamboat company, which companies are hereby authorized to take such lease. It may further lease or