

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1883.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1883.

Chapter 291.

An Act to authorize the sale of the Union Meeting House, in Sidney.

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

Pew-holders of Union meeting house authorized to sell house and lot.

SECT. 1. The pew-holders of the Union meeting house, situate in Sidney, in the county of Kennebec, are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and convey all the interest of said pew-holders, in said house and lot on which the same stands.

Nathan A. Benson et als. may call meeting.

SECT. 2. Nathan A. Benson, Lauriston G. Tilley and Charles T. Hamlen, are hereby authorized and empowered to call a meeting of said pew-holders, at said meeting house. Said meeting is hereby authorized to appoint a suitable person or persons to sell and convey the property in said house and lot, at public or private sale, as said meeting shall determine. Notice of said meeting shall be posted in two public and conspicuous places, in said Sidney, and on the outer door of said meeting house, two weeks, at least, before said meeting.

--how called.

Approved February 28, 1883.

Chapter 292.

An Act to incorporate the Bethel and Northern Narrow Gauge Railroad Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. M. T. Cross, A. B. Godwin, Enoch Foster, R. A. Frye, John M. Philbrook, J. A. Thurston, H. S. Hastings, St. John Hastings, Frank Russell, W. O. Howe, C. A. Kimball, C. W. Kimball, Waldo Pettengill, John F. Gould, J. W. Eaton, Asa A. West, Sylvanus Poor, William Gregg, J. W. Clark and their associates are hereby created a body corporate by the name of the Bethel and Northern Narrow Gauge Railroad Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties, obligations and restrictions conferred and imposed by the laws of the state.

Corporate name

Powers, duties, etc.

Authorized to locate and construct a narrow gauge railroad.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is authorized to locate, construct, maintain and operate a railroad of a gauge not exceeding three feet and not less than two feet, from some point in Bethel, Greenwood or Woodstock, and passing by the most

feasible route through any of the towns of Bethel, Newry, Hanover, Rumford, Andover, Grafton, Greenwood, Woodstock, Milton plantation and Upton, to the most desirable point on Richardson or Umbagog lakes, with the right to connect with the Grand Trunk railroad, in Bethel, Greenwood or Woodstock.

Route.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of not less than seven hundred and twenty, nor more than three thousand shares of fifty dollars each.

Capital stock.

SECT. 4. Said corporation may sell or lease its line and all its improvements to any other railroad corporation, which latter company is hereby authorized to enter into such contract of sale or lease, and the directors of the two corporations may enter into such contract for the running of the road, and for the purchase, sale or lease thereof, as the directors of the two companies, in the exercise of their best judgment and discretion, may deem for the advantage of their respective corporations, subject to the approval of the stockholders in each corporation.

May lease its line.

SECT. 5. The officers of said corporation shall be a president, clerk, treasurer, board of directors, and such others as may be provided in the by-laws. The powers and duties of the officers shall be such as may be prescribed in the by-laws and rules of the corporation.

Officers, powers and duties.

SECT. 6. If the said corporation shall not have been organized, and the location, according to an actual survey of the route, have been filed with the county commissioners of the county of Oxford, on or before the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four; or if said corporation shall fail to complete said railroad on or before the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, in either of the above mentioned cases, this act shall be null and void.

Charter void, if road is not completed in given time.

SECT. 7. This charter is granted because the railroad herein provided for, would run in the same general direction as the Grand Trunk railroad already constructed and within ten miles of the same, so that the object of this corporation cannot be attained under the general laws for the formation of railroad corporations.

Reason for granting charter.