

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

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proprietors, within said town of Baldwin, for ten years from the date of the first meeting of said corporation.

SECT. 3. The said corporation shall have power to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding, at any one time, the sum of five thousand dollars, with power to use, manage and dispose of the same, for the purposes authorized by this act.

Authorized to hold real and personal estate.—limit.

SECT. 4. Any person not authorized by this act, or by said corporation, who shall, at any time, take trout from the waters of said brook and its tributaries, within said town of Baldwin, within ten years from the date of first meeting of said corporation, shall be liable to all the penalties prescribed by the statutes of this state, for taking trout in close time.

Liability for infringement of exclusive right.

SECT. 5. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by any person named in this act, by giving to each of the others a written notice of the same, seven days before such meeting, or by a public notice thereof, setting forth the time, place and purpose of the meeting, published in any newspaper in the city of Portland, ten days, at least, previous to the time of such meeting.

First meeting, how called.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 14, 1883.

Chapter 354.

An Act to incorporate the Eastern Electric Light and Power Company.

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

SECT. 1. A. F. Crockett, Davis Tillson, John T. Berry, John S. Case, David N. Mortland, Albert S. Rice, A. K. Spear, Maynard Sumner, George Gregory, all of Rockland; and J. H. H. Hewitt, Samuel Watts, Christopher Prince, Joseph E. Moore, John C. Levensaler, E. K. O'Brien, and R. H. Counce, all of Thomaston; their associates, successors and assigns are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Eastern Electric Light and Power Company, and by that name, shall have and enjoy all rights, powers and privileges necessary to effect the objects of their association, and shall be entitled to all the rights and subject

Corporators.

Corporate name

Rights, powers and privileges.

CHAP. 354 to all the duties and liabilities now or hereafter provided by the laws of this state as to corporations, so far as applicable, and subject to the provisions of this act.

Capital stock.

SECT. 2. The capital stock of said company shall be of such amount and divided into the number of shares, as the corporators in the first instance and the stockholders, from time to time, may determine to be necessary for the purpose of the business authorized by this act, but not to exceed one million dollars; and said corporation may purchase, hold and dispose of such personal and real estate as may be necessary for such purpose.

May hold real and personal estate.

Authorized to light cities, etc., by electricity.

SECT. 3. Said company is authorized and empowered for the purpose of carrying on the business of lighting, by electricity, cities, towns, villages, public streets, parks, buildings and places, private houses, manufactories, places and buildings, places of business, worship and amusement, within this state; and the business of furnishing motive power, by electricity, within said places and limits; and the business of manufacturing and providing machinery, apparatus and appurtenances for the supply of said light and said power, to acquire, hold and alienate real and personal estate to the amount of one million dollars; to build and operate manufactories and works for the providing and supply of electricity; to construct, lay, maintain and operate lines of wire or other material for the transmission of electricity, submarine, under ground, upon, under and along and over any and all streets, ways and public places in such manner as not to endanger the appropriate public use thereof, railroads, canals and lands of any individuals, society or corporation, with all necessary posts, pipes, supports and appurtenances, and terminating at such points as may be expedient; and to confer this power upon licensees of said company, who shall be deemed agents of said company for said purposes, but said company shall not be liable for the torts or negligence of such licensees, nor upon contracts made by them, except as mutually agreed by said company and its licensees.

—may furnish motive power, etc.

—to build manufactories.

—to lay lines of wires, etc.

May confer power on licensees.

Consent of municipal officers necessary to laying pipes, etc.

SECT. 4. For the erecting said wires above ground, and for the laying the same, or pipes therefor submarine or under ground, and for taking up, replacing and repairing the same, said company or its licensees in any city or town shall first obtain the consent of the municipal officers thereof, and per-

form said acts as directed by them; and said company or its licensees in any city or town shall repay to any city or town any sum of money which such city or town may have been compelled to pay on any judgment for any damage occasioned by the aforesaid doings of said company or its licensees through defect or want of repair in the streets thereof.

CHAP. 355

Damage to streets, how paid.

SECT. 5. Said company or its licensees in any city or town shall, at their own expense, without unnecessary delay, remove any obstructions in any street, made for erecting or laying the lines for such purposes, and cause earth or pavements disturbed to be properly replaced. They shall not be allowed to obstruct or impair the use of any public or private drain, pipe or sewer, but may cross, or, when necessary, change the direction of any private pipe, drain or sewer in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, being responsible to the owner or other person for any injury occasioned thereby, in an action on the case.

Company not to obstruct streets, drains or sewers.

SECT. 6. Damages for any land taken for the purposes of erecting or laying said lines, if the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid as in the case of lands taken for railroads.

Land damages, how estimated and paid.

SECT. 7. The first meeting of said company may be called by either corporator giving five days' written notice, by mail, to his associates, stating the time and place thereof, or by publication of such notice at least three times in a weekly newspaper, published in Rockland, Maine, five days before the time of said meeting.

First meeting, how called.

Approved March 14, 1883.

Chapter 355.

An Act additional to "An Act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water."

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

SECT. 1. The board of water commissioners of the city of Lewiston shall, annually, in the month of March, elect by ballot a superintendent and clerk, whose salaries shall be fixed

Election of supt. and clerk of water board in city of Lewiston.