

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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**CHAP. 307**

for the laying out and establishment of private ways; and all the provisions of said general statutes, including those relative to the ascertainment and payment of damages, shall be applicable.

Certain sections of ch. 51, R. S., applicable.

SECT. 14. Sections fourteen and thirty-two and the intervening sections, and sections thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight and thirty-nine of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, are applicable and available to the corporation created by this act.

Ch. 245, Special Laws of 1887, repealed.

SECT. 15. Chapter two hundred and forty-five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby repealed.

Approved February 4, 1889.

### Chapter 307.

An Act to incorporate the Commercial Union Telegraph Company of Maine

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

SECT. 1. H. S. Osgood, S. R. Small, W. T. Cobb, Charles E. Arnold, Seth L. Larrabee, Albion Little, Fred N. Dow, William Engel, Henry Russell, Edward J. Slattery, George C. Wing, William D. Pennell, P. O. Vickery, Louis C. Stearns, E. K. O'Brien, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, by the name of the Commercial Union Telegraph Company of Maine, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties provided by the general laws of this state, relating to corporations, with power by that name, to sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal, and the same to be changed at pleasure; to establish any and all by-laws and regulations for the management of their affairs not repugnant to the laws of this state, and to do and perform any and all other legal and lawful acts incident to similar corporations; and said company shall have the right to locate and construct its lines of telegraph upon and along any public highway or bridge, or along or upon the line of any railroad, and subject to the provisions of chapter three hundred seventy-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, but in such manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary

Corporators.

Corporate name.

—rights and privileges.

—seal.

—by-laws.

—may construct lines of telegraph.

public use thereof, and the company may cut down any trees standing within the limits of any highway, except fruit, ornamental or shade trees, when necessary for the erection, use or safety of its lines.

—cut down trees.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, maintain and operate lines of telegraph between the eastern and western boundaries of this state, with as many wires and branches as they may deem necessary in carrying out the purposes of their charter, commencing and terminating at such point or points as they may select hereafter within the limits of the state.

Route.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of said company is hereby established at one hundred thousand dollars, and said corporation is authorized to issue the bonds of the corporation to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, and secure the same on the franchises and property of the corporation, the same to be used for the exclusive purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating the lines of telegraph hereby authorized, and said corporation may purchase, hold and dispose of such real and personal estate as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid; the stock of said corporation may, from time to time, be increased to a sum not exceeding in all, two hundred thousand dollars.

Capital stock.

—may issue bonds.

SECT. 4. This company shall have power, by agreement with any other persons or bodies corporate, to connect their lines with other lines of telegraph within and without the state, but no discrimination against any newspaper published in the state of Maine shall be made as to the rates established for doing business, and no sale or transfer of this charter shall be made to any other company without authority from the legislature of this state.

May connect with other lines

—shall not discriminate against any Maine newspaper.  
—sale of charter prohibited.

SECT. 5. Any two of the persons named in this act of incorporation, may call the first meeting of this company by giving written notice thereof, to each of his associates.

First meeting, how called.

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

Approved February 5, 1839.