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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

## SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1891.

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OF THE

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duties, privileges and liabilities of railroad corporations under the general laws of the state.

Authorized to  
construct a  
railroad.

SECT. 2. This corporation shall have the further right to construct, equip, maintain and operate a railroad from such point in the city of Bath, to such points at Popham Beach and Small Point in the town of Phippsburg, and of such gauge as the stockholders shall determine.

—route.

Capital stock.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of this corporation shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. It may issue bonds, not exceeding the amount of its capital stock, for such amount as the stockholders shall determine and secure the same by a mortgage on its property and franchise.

Board of  
directors.

SECT. 4. There shall be a board of not less than five nor more than seven directors who shall be chosen by the stockholders of said corporation. Said board of directors shall choose a president who shall be president of the corporation. The administration of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in said president and board of directors, and they shall choose such other officers and agents of the corporation as may be necessary.

Toll, granted.

SECT. 5. A toll is hereby granted for the benefit of the corporation upon all passengers and property which may be transported upon its railroad at such rates as the president and directors shall determine, subject to such general laws in relation thereto as are or may be established by the legislature.

First meeting,  
how called.

SECT. 6. The first meeting of the corporation may be called by any two of the corporators above named, by notice thereof in writing, given or mailed to each corporator at least ten days before said meeting.

Approved March 11, 1891.

### Chapter 189.

An Act to incorporate the Sunderland Maine Telephone Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. J. Z. Westervelt, N. S. Gardiner, E. P. McGillicuddy, J. J. Lynch, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, by the name of the Sun-

—corporate  
name.

derland Maine Telephone Company, of the state 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, and subject to all the provisions of chapter three hundred and seventy-eight, public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, with power by that name to sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal, and the same to change 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 lawful acts incident to corporations of similar character; and said company shall have the right to locate and construct its lines upon and along any public highway or bridge or upon and along the line of any railroad, but in such a manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary public use thereof; and the company may cut down any trees standing within the limits of any highway, except ornamental, fruit or shade trees, when necessary for the erection, use and safety of its lines.

—rights and privileges.

—authorized to construct its lines along any highway.

—may cut down trees.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to construct, maintain, operate, let or sell short distance telephone lines throughout the length and breadth of this state, the communicating power being vibration, and not electricity, with as many wires and branches as they may see fit, commencing and terminating at such point or points as they may select hereafter, within the limits aforesaid. Poles shall not be erected in cities.

May construct and operate telephone lines by vibration.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of said company shall be of such an amount as they may, from time to time, determine to be necessary, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, for the exclusive purpose of purchasing, constructing, maintaining, letting or selling short distance telephone lines hereby authorized and contemplated, and they may purchase, hold and dispose of such personal and real estate, as may be necessary for that purpose not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, and shall have power, by agreement with other persons or bodies corporate, to connect its lines with other telephone or telegraph lines, within or without the state.

Capital stock.

SECT. 4. Nothing in this act shall authorize the Sunderland Maine Telephone Company to interfere with any existing rights or lines or prevent any other parties from building, maintaining and operating lines of telephone in any part of

Shall not interfere with rights of parties.

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this state, pursuant to the laws thereof, except so far as controlled by patent rights.

First meeting, how called.

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

When act may be accepted.

SECT. 6. This act may be accepted at any regular meeting of said associates, by a majority of the members present, and shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

Approved March 11, 1891.

Chapter 190.

An Act to incorporate the Gardiner and Rangeley Telegraph Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. A. B. Gilman, George M. Goodwin, Weston Lewis, A. M. Spear and F. E. Timberlake, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate by the name of the Gardiner and Rangeley Telegraph Company, 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 change 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.

—corporate name.

—rights and privileges.

Authorized to construct lines of telephone.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to own, construct, maintain and operate from some point in the city of Gardiner, a line or lines of telephone and telegraph through the cities of Hallowell and Augusta and the towns of Litchfield, West Gardiner, Manchester, Monmouth, Winthrop, Readfield, Fayette, Wayne, Mount Vernon, Vienna, New Sharon, Chesterville, Farmington, Strong, Avon, Phillips, Madrid, Redington Plantation, Dallas Plantation and to any point in the town of Rangeley, or through such of said cities and towns as the corporation may deem advisable.

—route.

Authorized to erect lines along highway, etc.

SECT. 3. For the purposes of this act, the said corporation shall have, and the power is hereby granted, to erect and