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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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OF THE
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of the city of Augusta, elected or appointed prior to the municipal election of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, in said city, except as provided in sections five and six.

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city officers elected prior to election in 1898.

Sect. 8. All acts and parts of acts, all provisions of the charter of the city of Augusta, and all orders and ordinances of said city inconsistent herewith, are repealed and declared inoperative and of no effect, but this repeal shall not take effect, except as to the sections specified in section nine hereof, until February twelve, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and then only in case this act shall have been accepted as provided in the third section hereof.

Inconsistent acts, and ordinances, repealed.

—how repeal shall take effect.

Sect. 9. This act, except as to sections three, four, five, six and seven, shall take effect February twelve, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and as to said sections it shall take effect when approved.

When act shall take effect.

Approved March 25, 1897.

Chapter 521.

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

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

Sect. 1. A. B. Adams, M. D., H. R. Dascomb, M. Holmes, H. S. Houghton and C. N. Blanchard, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby constituted a corporation by the name of the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company, with all the powers and subject to all the liabilities of corporations.

Corporators.

—corporate name.

Sect. 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to carry on the business of lighting by electricity or otherwise, such public streets in the towns of Wilton and Jay, and such buildings and places therein, public and private as may be agreed upon by said corporation and the owners or those having control of such places to be lighted, and may furnish motive power by electricity or otherwise within said towns and may build and operate manufactories and works for providing and supplying electricity, light and power, and may take, lease, purchase and hold real estate, and personal estate to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, and to construct, lay, maintain and operate lines of wire or other material for the transmission of electricity or power, upon, under, along and over any and all

Authorized to furnish light and motive power in Wilton and Jay.

—may hold real estate.

—maintain lines along streets.

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Liabie for damages to streets, etc.

—proviso.

Sect. 3. Said company shall repay to any town, any sum of money which such town may have been compelled to pay on any judgment, for any damages caused by a defect or want of repair in the streets thereof, due to the negligence of said company, or any judgment for damages caused by the neglect of said company in the erecting and maintaining posts, wires or appurtenances connected with said business; provided said company shall have notice in writing of any suit wherein such damages are claimed, and shall be allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

May cross any sewer or change course of same.

—responsi- ble for damages.

Land dam- ages, how estimated.

Capital stock.

First meet- ing, how called.

Sect. 4. Said company shall not be allowed to obstruct or impair the use of any public or private drain, or sewer, telegraph or telephone wire, but may cross, or when necessary, change the direction of any private wire or pipe, drain or sewer, in such a 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.

Sect. 5. Damages for any land or other property, taken for the purpose of erecting or laying said lines, if the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid the same as damages in the construction of railroads.

Sect. 6. The capital stock of said company shall be ten thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the privilege of increasing said capital stock from time to time as the stockholders may determine, to any sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and said company is hereby authorized to issue bonds, in such amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock subscribed for, and upon such rates and time as it may determine, and secure the same by a mortgage of its franchises and property.

Sect. 7. The first meeting 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 said notice, at least once in a newspaper published in Franklin county, said publication to be at least five days before said meeting.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.