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ACTS AND RESOLVES  
OF THE  
SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
1907.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1907.

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## Chapter 343.

An Act to extend the charter of the Camden and Liberty Railway.

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

Charter  
extended.

Section 1. The rights, powers and privileges of the Camden and Liberty Railway, which were granted by chapter seventy-five of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and three, are hereby extended for two years from the time when this act shall take effect with the changes herein provided for, and the parties named in said act as herein modified, their associates, successors and assigns, shall have all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted by said chapter seventy-five of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and three, to be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as herein specified.

Chapter 75,  
private and  
special laws  
1903,  
amended.

Section 2. Said chapter seventy-five of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and three is changed and hereby amended in the first section thereof by striking out the name of "Charles W. Emery" and inserting in place thereof the name 'Arthur S. Littlefield,' and by adding after the name "Liberty" in the enumeration of the towns through which said railway may pass the words 'Palermo, Windsor and Augusta,' and by striking out the words "to any point in said Liberty," and inserting in place thereof the words 'to a point of connection with all railroads already established in said Augusta,' so that said section as amended, and as a part of the act hereby revived and extended, shall read as follows:

Corporators.

'Section 1. Thomas W. Lawson, Holly M. Bean, Arthur S. Littlefield, Charles E. Littlefield, Reuel Robinson, Charles C. Griffin, Herbert L. Shepherd, E. Frank Knowlton, John G. Crowley, William E. Schwartz, Lucius C. Morse and Robert L. Bean, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted a corporation by the name of the Camden and Liberty Railway, with authority to construct, maintain and operate by electricity or other motive power, a street railway with all necessary and convenient power stations car houses and lines of poles, wires, appliances, appurtenances and conduits, with convenient single or double tracks, side tracks, switches or turnouts, to connect with the Rockland, Thomaston and Camden Street Railway, from such points in the town of Camden, and thence through said Camden and the towns of Lincolnville, Hope, Searsmont, Appleton, Montville and Liberty, Palermo, Windsor and Augusta, or any of said towns, to a point of connection with all railroads already established in said

—corporate  
name.

—location.

Augusta, upon and over such public highways, and upon and over such other streets and ways in said towns, or any of them, as shall, from time to time, be fixed and determined by the municipal officers of said towns, and assented to in writing by said corporation; provided, however, that all tracks of said railway shall be laid at such distances from the sidewalks in any of said towns as the municipal officers thereof shall, in their order fixing the routes and locations of said railway, determine to be for public safety and convenience. The written assent of said corporation to any vote of the municipal officers of either of said towns, prescribing from time to time, the routes of said railway therein, shall be filed with the clerk of said town, and shall be taken and deemed the location thereof, and such location prescribed by said municipal officers shall include the location of all tracks, side tracks, switches or turnouts and conduits of said railway, together with the location and kind of poles and the height at which and the places where the wires may run, for operating said railway or for other purposes. After the erection of the lines, having first given said corporation or its agents opportunity to be heard, the said municipal officers of either of said towns may direct any alteration in the location or erection of such poles and in the height of the wires, the same to be filed with the clerk of said town as aforesaid, and said corporation shall not be required to have any other license or permit for the location or maintenance of said poles or wires. Outside of the limits of highways, roads, streets or ways, for the location, construction or convenient use of its road, said corporation may purchase or take and hold by its location as for public uses, land and all materials in and upon it, whenever for any reason it appears to be impracticable to locate such railway within the limits of said highways, roads, streets or ways, and it shall be so found by the board of railroad commissioners, but the land so taken shall not exceed four rods in width unless necessary for excavation, embankments or materials; and the location of said railway upon land taken by virtue of this section shall be filed and the estimation and payment of damages for land so taken shall be made in accordance with the provisions of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes. Said corporation shall have power from time to time, to fix such rates of compensation for transporting persons and property as it may think expedient, and shall have all the powers and be subject to all the liabilities of corporations as set forth in the forty-sixth chapter of the revised statutes and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto. Said corporation is also authorized to carry on the business of an express company.

—proviso.

—alteration, location of poles, etc., may be directed by municipal officers.

—may purchase or take land.

—land taken shall not exceed four rods in width.

—may fix rates for transportation of persons and property.

**CHAP. 344**Name  
changed.

Section 3. The name of said corporation is hereby changed to Camden and Augusta Railway.

Approved March 21, 1907.

**Chapter 344.**

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Portland.

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

Section 5,  
chapter 275,  
private and  
special laws  
1863,  
amended.

Section 1. Section five of chapter two hundred seventy-five of the private and special laws of the state of Maine, approved March twenty-fourth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, is hereby amended, by striking out the words "city marshal" in the tenth line of said section five and by inserting in the place thereof the words 'chief of police' and by striking out the words "deputy marshals" in the eleventh line of said section five and inserting in the place thereof the words 'captains of police,' so that said section five as amended, shall read:

Executive  
powers, etc.,  
how vested.

'Section 5. The executive powers of said city generally, and the administration of police and health departments, with all the powers of selectmen, except as modified by this act, shall be vested in the mayor and aldermen. All the powers of establishing watch and ward, now vested by the laws of the state in the justices of the peace and municipal officers or inhabitants of towns, are vested in the mayor and aldermen, so far as relates to said city; and they are authorized to unite the watch and police departments into one department and establish suitable regulations for the government of the same. The officers of police shall be one chief, to be styled the chief of police, so many captains of police as the city council may by ordinance prescribe, and so many watchmen and policemen as the mayor and aldermen may from time to time appoint. All other powers now or hereafter vested in the inhabitants of said city, and all powers granted by this act, as well as all powers relating to the fire department, shall be vested in the mayor and aldermen and common council of said city, to be exercised by concurrent vote, each board to have a negative upon the other. Each board shall keep a record of its proceedings, and judge of the election of its own members; and in case of vacancies, new elections shall be ordered by the mayor and aldermen.'

—police  
officers,  
appoint-  
ment of.—each board  
shall keep a  
record.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 21, 1907.