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HOUSE.

No. 5.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX.

AN ACT to incorporate the Proprietors of Union Wharf in Portland.

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

SECTION 1. The shareholders in the proprietary, 2 now existing in Portland, known by the name of the 3 Proprietors of Union Wharf, are hereby constituted a 4 body politic and corporate by the same name, and 5 shall have such powers and privileges, and be subject 6 to such duties and liabilities, in maintaining, man-7 aging, acquiring and disposing of their joint property, 8 as are provided in the case of general corporations 9 by the laws of this state.

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SECT. 2. Upon the acceptance of this act, the 2 corporation hereby constituted shall be entitled to 3 recover and receive, in its own name and to its own 4 use, all sums of money now due to said proprietary, 5 and be held to discharge all liabilities now existing 6 against it, and to fulfill and perform all such contracts 7 heretofore entered into by the same as have not 8 hitherto been fully executed and performed.

SECT. 3. The corporate property of said company 2 shall be taxed to the company, and the stores and 3 store lots of the members shall be taxed to them indi-4 vidually, by the assessors of the city of Portland, as 5 real estate; but the shares of the members, respect-6 ively, shall not be subject to taxation otherwise than 7 as above, and shall be treated and considered as 8 personal property.

SECT. 4. The said corporation is hereby authorized 2 to purchase of the present proprietors, the wharf, 3 docks and flats in the city of Portland now owned 4 and occupied by the aforesaid proprietors of Union 5 Wharf as common property, and to hold, improve 6 and enjoy the same for the purposes of a wharf and 7 docks.

SECT. 5. The stores and store lots upon said wharf

2 as formerly assigned to individual proprietors and 3 now existing, shall continue to be held, and be trans-4 ferable, as individual property, in the same manner 5 as if this act had not been passed.

SECT. 6. This act shall be accepted by a majority 2 of the members present at a meeting of the present 3 proprietors of Union Wharf. Such meeting shall be 4 called by the person now acting as clerk of said pro-5 prietors by delivering a written notice thereof to each 6 one of said proprietors, or leaving such notice at their 7 last and usual place of abode, fourteen days in either 8 case before the day of such meeting. Such notice 9 shall state the object of said meeting; and if any pro-10 prietor shall not then reside nor be in the city of 11 Portland, it shall be sufficient to direct a written 12 notice to him by mail, within the time aforesaid and 13 for the purpose of calling and holding such meeting.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect upon its ap-2 proval by the governor.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, January 25, 1856.

ORDERED, That the usual number of copies of this Bill be printed.

DAVID DUNN, Clerk.