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#### SENATE.

No. 18.

## STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY.

# AN ACT to incorporate the "Maine Steam Road-Carriage Company.

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

SECTION 1. Jeremiah Fenno, Nathan Perry, Jr., 2 and Carlostin Jewett, with their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate un-3 der the name of the "Maine Steam Road-Carriage 4 5 Company," with power by that name to prosecute and 6 defend suits at law, to have and use a common seal, and make by-laws and regulations from time to time,  $\overline{7}$ for the management of the affairs of such corporation, 8 9 not repugnant to the laws of this State, and to hold 10 such property, real or personal, as may be desirable to STEVENS & SAYWARD, Printers to the State.

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11 effect the objects of such corporation; and to enjoy all
12 the powers, and be subject to all the duties and liabili13 ties expressed in the laws of this State defining the
14 power and duties of corporations, as well as those in
15 this act set out.

Sec. 2. The said corporation shall, provided they 2 comply with the condition of this act, have and enjoy 3 for themselves and their assigns, the exclusive and 4 sole right and privileges, for the term of twelve years 5 from the fourth day of July, A. D. 1860, of using 6 steam machinery as a motive power for drawing, or 7 propelling, on, or over, any highways, town-ways, or 8 roads in this State, in the ordinary conditions of such 9 ways or roads, any carriages, carts or cars of any de-10 scription, for the transportation, as common carriers, 11 of passengers and freight: Provided, That nothing 12 herein shall be construed to prevent the owners of the 13 slate quarries in the county of Piscataquis, from using 14 steam power in conveying slate or other articles to and 15 from the tide water at Bangor, and provided further, 16 that the legislature shall, at all times, have power to 17 alter, annul or repeal this act.

SEC. 3. The said corporation may charge and col-2 lect such rates of fare or freight, for such transporta-3 tion, provided such rates for transportation of freight, 4 shall not exceed seventy-five per cent. of the average

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5 of the preceding five years on any roads on which 6 steam carriages shall be placed, and make such ar-7 rangements in relation to business, as they may deem 8 proper, not inconsistent with the laws of this State: 9 and said corporation, when it shall go into operation, 10 with their assigns, shall have all the rights and privi-11 leges, and be subject to all the duties and liabilities, 12 under law, of common carriers by land.

SEC. 4. The said corporation shall be organized be-2 fore the expiration of two years from said fourth day 3 of July, A. D. 1860, and before that time, shall put 4 into actual operation on some one of said ways or roads 5 in this State, one or more, machines for transportation 6 by steam power, of passengers and freight, under the 7 terms of this act.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect, from and after its 2 approval by the governor.

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IN SENATE, March 8, 1860.

This bill, reported from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, was read and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, Secretary.