MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 37.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-TWO.

AN ACT to authorize the extension of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad, and to add to, and amend, existing acts in relation thereto.

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

- Section 1. The Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad
- 2 Company is hereby authorized to extend and construct
- 3 its road from some point in its present authorized line
- 4 in the town of Whitefield, in a northerly direction via
- 5 Pittsfield, Hartland and St. Albans, to some covenient
- 6 point on the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad, as now
- 7 constructed, or hereafter to be constructed; and also
- 8 to extend and construct a branch of said road from
- 9 some point in its present authorized line in or near
- 10 Whitefield to the northeasterly line of Montville, and

11 to cross, and to connect with, any other railroads in 12 its line, and the time to which said company is now 13 limited to locate and construct its road, is hereby 14 extended four years from the approval of this act, and 15 said company shall have the same rights, privileges, 16 powers and immunities, and be subject to all the duties 17 and liabilities in respect to the location, construction, 18 maintenance, use and management of those portions of 19 the railroad hereby authorized to be extended, as 20 are granted and imposed by the original act incorpo-21 rating said company, and acts amendatory thereof and 22 in addition thereto, and the organization of said com-23 pany and its subsequent proceedings are hereby made Three fourths at least of the directors of said 24 valid. 25 company shall be citizens of, and residents in, this 26 State.

SECT. 2. In addition to the cities and towns author2 ized to issue their bonds to aid in the construction and
3 equipment of said railroad by the provisions of "an
4 act to amend former acts and additional thereto relat5 ing to the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Com6 pany," approved on the twenty-third day of February
7 in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty8 nine, the cities and towns hereafter named, are in like
9 manner hereby authorized to issue bonds for the same
10 purpose according to the provisions and conditions in

11 said act specified, in sums not exceeding the amounts 12 following, to wit: the city of Augusta two hundred 13 and fifty thousand dollars; the town of Chelsea thirty-14 five thousand dollars; the town of China one hundred 15 and fifty thousand dollars; the towns of Windsor and 16 Jefferson, sixty thousand dollars each; the town of 17 Albion eighty thousand dollars; the town of Somerville 18 twenty thousand dollars; the town of Washington 19 twenty-five thousand dollars; the town of Whitefield 20 one hundred and fifty thousand dollars in lieu of the 21 same authorized by said former act; the town of 22 Liberty fifty thousand dollars; the town of Montville 23 eighty thousand dollars; and the town of Palermo fifty 24 thousand dollars; and any other city or town in either 25 county in which a portion of said road shall be located 26 an amount not exceeding twenty per centum of the 27 amount of its valuation according to the state valu-28 ation for the year eighteen hundred and seventy. 29 But no bonds authorized by this act shall be issued 30 until said company has secured the payment of them 31 with accruing interest, as the same shall become due, 32 and has indemnified the several cities and towns issu-33 ing them against loss or harm on account thereof, by - 34 the mortgage of its road, its franchise and all its 35 property, present and prospective, as in said act is 36 provided.

SECT. 3. The votes and doings of the town of 2 Whitefield at its town meeting held on the twenty-3 fifth day of September in the year one thousand eight 4 hundred and seventy-one, to aid in the construction 5 and equipment of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Rail-6 road, are hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid; 7 and bonds to the amount voted by said town, to wit: 8 one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, may be issued 9 by said town as is provided in the act before named, 10 approved February the twenty-third, one thousand 11 eight hundred and sixty-nine; and said town is hereby 12 authorized by a two-thirds vote of the legal voters 13 present and voting at a legal town meeting called for 14 that purpose, to modify, alter, or annul in whole or in 15 part, the terms and conditions that are annexed to 16 said votes.

SECT. 4. To accomplish the purposes of this act and 2 other acts relating to said corporation, said company 3 is hereby authorized to issue its bonds in such form 4 and manner, and payable at such time or times, as 5 the directors may determine, and may secure the pay-6 ment of the principal and interest of such bonds by a 7 mortgage of its railroad, franchise, property and rights 8 of property, present and prospective, to be made to 9 such persons as trustees and in such form and manner 10 as the directors may appoint and prescribe; provided

- 11 however, such mortgage shall be subject to any mort-
- 12 gage which may have been, or may be afterwards,
- 13 given to the several cities and towns issuing bonds in
- 14 aid of the construction and equipment of said road.

Sect. 5. Said company is hereby authorized and

- 2 empowered to make connection with any other railroad
- 3 company, and this company and any other railroad
- 4 company, with which it may connect, are hereby
- 5 authorized to enter into, and execute, any contract
- 6 for operating the roads of said companies, on such
- 7 terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the
- 8 parties. And either of said companies may execute a
- 9 lease of its road and property to the other, and such
- 10 other company is authorized to take such lease, for
- 11 such time and on such terms and conditions, as may
- 12 be agreed upon by the parties. Such contract or lease
- 13 may be made and executed either before or after the
- 14 completion of either or both of said roads.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect on its approval.

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STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, February 7, 1872.

Reported from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, by Mr. WOODBURY, and ordered printed on his motion.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.