MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 41.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company.

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

SECTION 1. Joshua N. Kilburn, Fred. Atwood,

- 2 Reuben A. Rich, with their associates and successors,
- 3 are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the
- 4 name of the Winterport Ferry Company, with all the
- 5 powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and
- 6 liabilities of similar corporations by the laws of this 7 state.
 - Sect. 2. Said coporation is hereby authorized to set
- 2 up, establish and maintain a ferry across the Penobscot
- 3 river, from Winterport village to Bucksport centre
- 4 (so called) with a boat or boats, to be propelled by
- 5 steam or horse power or oars as may be deemed most
- 6 advisable from time to time.

Sect. 3. A toll is hereby granted and established 2 for the use of said corporation, according to the follow-3 ing rates, viz: for each foot passenger, fifteen cents; 4 one vehicle of any kind drawn by one horse, and 5 driver, fifty cents; the same drawn by two horses, and 6 driver, seventy-five cents, and for each additional 7 horse with any of the carriages aforesaid, twenty-five 8 cents; each additional person, fifteen cents; for each 9 yoke of oxen with or without a cart or sled, and 10 driver, thirty cents each; all other neat cattle and 11 beasts of burden, thirty cents each; sheep, swine and 12 smaller animals, six cents each.

Sect. 4. Said corporation shall keep at all times at 2 the ferry established as aforesaid, a good boat or boats, 3 in good repair, suitable and convenient for the accommodation of travellers, their horses, carriages, carts, 5 teams and cattle, and cause ready and due attendance 6 on passengers to be given on all occasions; and for 7 every neglect of such attendance said corporation shall 8 forfeit and pay five dollars; and for every neglect in 9 keeping suitable boats fifty dollars; each penalty to be 10 recovered by action of debt in any court of competent 11 jurisdiction to the use of any person who shall sue 12 therefor; and said corporation shall be further liable 13 to pay such special damages as any person may sus-14 tain by unreasonable neglect; provided, said corpo-

15 ration shall not be required to run their boats over 16 said ferry before sunrise or after nine o'clock in the 17 evening, except for the conveyance of the mails of the 18 United States.

Sect. 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to 2 build, erect and maintain any piers, railways, wharves, 3 buildings, or other conveniences necessary for main-4 taining said ferry, on the shores or landing places in 5 Winterport and Bucksport at such places as the county 6 commissioners for the counties of Waldo and Hancock 7 shall adjudge convenient and necessary; provided, 8 said corporation shall pay to the owners of the land or 9 privileges so occupied and improved such damages as 10 the parties may agree upon, in writing duly executed 11 and recorded on the records of registry of deeds in the 12 county where the said land or privileges lie, or as said 13 county commissioners shall assess, either party having 14 the right to appeal as in other cases.

SECT. 6. Any two of the persons named in the first 2 section of this act are hereby authorized to call the 3 first meeting of the corporators or proprietors by giv-4 ing notice in writing to each member thereof of the 5 time and place and objects of said meeting seven days 6 previous to the time appointed therefor, and to choose 7 such officers and enact such by-laws for the govern-8 ment of said *orporation as a majority may vote.

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SECT. 7. The capital of said corporation shall not 2 exceed two thousand dollars, and may be in shares of

3 the value of ten dollars each.

In House of Representatives, February 8, 1872.

Read three times, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.

AMENDMENT "A" TO BILL AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE WINTERPORT FERRY COMPANY.

After "one horse," in the second line, instead of

 $2\,$ "and driver," insert 'and two persons."

After "two horses," in the third line, instead of

2 "and driver," insert and two persons.



STATE OF MAINE.

In Senate, February 9, 1872.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Penobscot, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.