

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 77.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT amendatory of and additional to chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes concerning railroads.

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

SECTION 1. Section thirty of chapter fifty-one of the
2 revised statutes is amended so as to read as follows:
3 *Sect. 30.* Every railroad corporation shall make an
4 annual report to the railroad commissioners on or be-
5 fore December first, of its operations for each year
6 ending September thirtieth, to be verified by the oath
7 of its treasurer. It is to state, first, the length of the
8 road in operation, the length of single track, the length
9 of double track, the length of sidings and of spur tracks,
10 the time when laid, the length laid with steel rails, the
11 weight of rail per yard, the length laid with fished

12 joints and of what sort, the length laid in chair joints,
13 and the length laid with Whitman's improved cross-
14 ties ; second, the capital stock, and the amount called
15 and paid in ; third, the whole cost of the road, show-
16 ing the amount expended in the purchase of lands, for
17 grading, for masonry, for bridging, for iron, for expen-
18 ses of engineering, for passenger cars, for freight and
19 other cars, for locomotives, and for the total expense
20 of equipment ; fourth, the amount and nature of its
21 indebtedness and its dues ; fifth, the whole cost of oper-
22 ating ; sixth, number of passenger trains during the
23 year ; seventh, number of freight trains during the
24 year ; eighth, number of mixed trains during the year ;
25 ninth, average number of passengers per train ; tenth,
26 average number of tons of freight per train ; eleventh,
27 the number of through and way passengers and rates
28 of fare ; twelfth, average receipts per passenger per
29 mile ; thirteenth, average receipts per ton of freight
30 per mile ; fourteenth, the number of through and way
31 passengers and the rates of fare ; fifteenth, the amount
32 of receipts from passengers and freight originating
33 along the line of the road ; sixteenth, the amount of
34 receipts from passengers and freight brought to the
35 road by other railroads ; seventeenth, the amount re-
36 ceived for the transportation of passengers, of property,
37 of the mails, and from other sources ; eighteenth, the

38 number of depots, engine houses, engines and cars of
39 their several sort ; nineteenth, the number of miles
40 run by passenger, freight, mixed and other trains re-
41 spectively, and the average rate of speed of each ;
42 twentieth, the whole number of stockholders and the
43 number who reside in this state ; twenty-first, the
44 amount of each dividend and when made ; twenty-
45 second, the amount charged for depreciation of road
46 and other property ; twenty-third, the number of per-
47 sons injured in life or limb, the cause of injury, and
48 whether passengers or persons employed ; twenty
49 fourth, whether any such accident arose from careless-
50 ness or negligence of any person in the employ of the
51 corporation, and whether such person is retained in its
52 service ; twenty-fifth, the number of employees of
53 every sort, and the average pay of each of the follow-
54 ing grades : conductors, baggage masters, station
55 agents, switch-men, engine drivers, firemen, brake-
56 men, foremen of track sections. If any railroad com-
57 pany neglects to make such report, it forfeits one
58 thousand dollars ; and it shall be the duty of the at-
59 torney general to prosecute for the recovery of the
60 same upon complaint thereof made to him, and the
61 same shall be published in the annual report of the
62 railroad commissioners.

SECT. 2. When in the opinion of the railroad com-

2 missioners the passage of passenger trains over any
3 portion of any railroad by passenger trains would be
4 attended with imminent danger, they may notify the
5 president or superintendent of such road of such unsafe
6 condition of said portion of said road and order the
7 immediate stopping of all passenger trains about to run
8 over the same. In case said order is not obeyed said
9 commissioner shall at once apply to some judge of the
10 supreme judicial court, who may, upon satisfactory
11 proof of the necessity for such order, and without
12 notice to said company, issue an injunction prohibiting
13 the running of passenger trains over said road until
14 further order of the court.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 20, 1874. }

Reported from the Committee on Railroads, by Mr. FESSEN-
DEN, and laid on the table to be printed under the Joint Rule.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*