

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No 13.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Artesian Water Company.

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

SECTION 1. Davis Tillson, Amos F. Crockett,
2 Thomas W. Hix, Jr., Michael A. Achorn, William
3 S. White, George W. Kimball, Jr., and William
4 H. Glover with their associates and successors, are
5 incorporated into a body politic by the name of the
6 Artesian Water Company, for the purpose of sup-
7 plying the inhabitants of the city of Rockland, and
8 adjoining towns, with pure water for domestic and
9 municipal purposes, the extinguishment of fires,
10 the supply of shipping, and the use of manufactures,
11 with all the rights and privileges, and subject to

12 all the liabilities and obligations of similar corpo-
13 rations under the general laws of the state.

SECT. 2. Said corporation shall have power to
2 sink artesian wells, build reservoirs, lay pipes, and
3 take water from said wells by pumping, machinery
4 or otherwise; also to take water from springs, and
5 to convey the same to, into, and through the streets
6 of the city of Rockland and adjoining towns, and
7 through other lands therein, together with such
8 other powers as may be necessary to enable such
9 corporation to properly and fully perform its
10 duties.

SECT. 3. Said corporation may take and hold by
2 purchase or otherwise, real and personal estate
3 necessary and convenient for the purposes afore-
4 said, not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars;
5 and its capital stock shall not exceed that sum,
6 and may be divided into shares of such amount as
7 the corporation may determine, and said corpora-
8 tion may establish written regulations for the use
9 of said water, and the rates to be paid by takers.

SECT. 4. Said corporation shall be liable to pay
2 all damages sustained by any person or persons in
3 their property by taking any lands, or by excava-
4 ting through any lands for the purpose of building
5 dams or reservoirs, or boring artesian wells, or lay-

6 ing pipes; and if any person is so damaged, and
7 said corporation shall not agree upon the sum to be
8 paid therefor, such person or persons may have
9 their damages ascertained in the same manner as
10 damages caused by laying out highways.

SECT. 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to
2 lay down in and through the streets and lands of
3 said city and adjoining towns, and take up, replace
4 and repair all such pipes, aqueducts and fixtures
5 as may be necessary for the objects of its incorpor-
6 ation, first having obtained the consent of the city
7 council of said city therefor, and under such re-
8 strictions and regulations as said city council may
9 see fit to prescribe; and said corporation shall have
10 the right to cross any private drain, or, if neces-
11 sary, to change its direction in such manner as not
12 to obstruct the use thereof.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect when approved

STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 6, 1880. }

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, by Mr.
INGALLS of Wiscasset, read twice, and ordered printed on
motion of Mr. YOUNG of Brunswick.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk,*