

Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 213.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Sagadahoc Shaver Molecular Telephone and Telegraph Company.

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

SECTION 1. William T. Donnell, A. H. Shaw, Jerry 2 Shannon, H. A. Huse, E. P. Donnell, J. F. Hayden, 3 Daniel E. Pierce, F. W. Weeks, F. H. Twitchell, Joseph 4 K. Huse, James W. Wakefield, A. J. Snow, C. H. Green-5 leaf, W. L. White, Peter Kennedy, their associates, suc-6 cessors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, 7 by name of the Sagadahoc Shaver Molecular Telephone 8 and Telegraph Company, with all the rights and privileges, 9 and subject to all the duties provided by the general laws 10 of this State relating to corporations, with power by that 11 name to sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal, 12 and the same to change at pleasure; to establish any and

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13 all by-laws and regulations, for the management of their 14 affairs, not repugnant to the laws of this State, to do and 15 perform any and all other lawful acts incident to corpora-16 tions of similar character; and said company shall have 17 the right to locate and construct its lines upon and along 18 any public highway or bridge, or along and upon the line 19 of any railroad, in, through and about all the towns and 20 cities in Sagadahoc county, but in such manner as not to 21 incommode or endanger the customary public use thereof; 22 and the company may cut down any trees standing within 23 the limits of any highway, except ornamental, fruit or 24 shade trees, when necessary for the erection, use or safety 25 of its lines.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to con-2 struct, maintain and operate telephone and telegraph lines 3 throughout the length and breadth of Sagadahoc county, 4 with as many wires and branches as they may see fit, 5 commencing and terminating at such point or points as 6 they may select hereafter, within the limits aforesaid, and 7 subject to the provisions of chapter three hundred and 8 seventy-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and 9 eighty-five and with the power to establish and collect tolls 10 on said line or lines.

SECT. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized and 2 empowered to connect its line or lines with those of any 3 other telephone or telegraph company or corporation, or 4 to sell or lease its line or lines of telephone and property 5 and telegraph and property in whole or part, either before 6 or after completion, to any other telephone or telegraph 7 company or corporation, upon such terms as may be agreed 8 by the contracting parties, which sale or lease shall be 9 binding upon the parties; or may purchase or lease any 10 other line or lines of telephone or telegraph upon such 11 terms and conditions as may be agreed by the parties 12 thereto.

SECT. 4. Any person or corporation purchasing from 2 the corporation hereby created, the right to use its tele-3 phones for any part or parts of the county of Sagadahoc, 4 is hereby invested with all the power and privileges by 5 this act conferred upon the Sagadahoc Shaver Molecular 6 Telephone and Telegraph Company, subject to all the 7 duties and liabilities hereof imposed, in said part or parts 8 of said county of Sagadahoc, the said corporation is 9 hereby authorized to assign and transfer so much of the 10 franchise hereby granted as may be necessary for the 11 purposes of this section.

SECT. 5. Said company may use such telegraphic appli-2 ances as may be necessary or convenient for the dispatch 3 of their business.

SECT. 6. The capital stock of said company shall be of 2 such an amount as they may from time to time determine 3 to be necessary, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, 4 for the exclusive purpose of purchasing, constructing, 5 maintaining and operating telephone and telegraph lines 6 hereby authorized and contemplated, and they may pur-7 chase, hold and dispose of such personal and real estate, 8 as may be necessary for that purpose, not exceeding 9 thirty thousand dollars, and shall have power by agree-10 ment with other persons or bodies corporate to connect 11 its lines with other telephone or telegraph lines, within the 12 State.

SECT. 7. If the land of any individual or corporation is 2 taken under this act, and the parties cannot agree on the

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3 damage occasioned thereby, they shall be estimated, 4 secured and paid in the manner provided in case of land 5 taken for railroads.

SECT. 8. Any two of the corporators named in this act 2 may call the first meeting of the corporation, by mailing a 3 written notice signed by both, to each of the other corpor-4 ators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, 5 naming the time, place and purposes of such meeting, and 6 at such meeting by-laws may be adopted, present amount 7 of capital stock fixed, and any corporate business trans-8 acted.

SECT. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 6, 1891.

Tabled, pending first reading, by Mr. PAYSON of Portland, and ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.