

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 214.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

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

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

SECTION 1. J. H. Manley, G. A. Cony, Chas. H. 2 White, E. Stone, D. A. Cony, B. F. Sanborn, C. S. 3 Hichborn, E. G. Storer, E. E. Davis, M. S. Campbell, 4 E. H. Walker, Thomas J. Lynch, G. A. Robertson, F. 5 S. Lyman, their associates, successors and assigns, are 6 hereby created a body corporate by name of the Central 7 Maine Shaver Molecular Telephone and Telegraph Com- 8 pany, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to 9 all the duties provided by the general laws of this State 10 relating to corporations, with power by that name to

11 sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal, and the
12 same to change at pleasure; to establish any and all by-
13 laws and regulations for the management of their affairs,
14 not repugnant to the laws of this State, to do and perform
15 any and all other lawful acts incident to corporations of
16 similar character; and said company shall have the right
17 to locate and construct its lines upon and along any pub-
18 lic highway or bridge, or along and upon the line of any
19 railroad in, through and about all the towns and cities in
20 Kennebec county, but in such manner as not to incom-
21 mode or endanger the customary public use thereof; and
22 the company may cut down any trees standing within the
23 limits of any highway, except ornamental, fruit or shade
24 trees, when necessary for the erection, use or safety of its
25 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 Kennebec county,
4 with as many wires and branches as they may see fit, com-
5 mencing and terminating at such point or points as they may
6 select hereafter within the limits aforesaid and subject to the
7 provisions of chapter three hundred and seventy-eight of the
8 public laws of eighteen hundred eighty-five, and with the
9 power to establish and collect tolls 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

8 agreed by the contracting parties, which sale or lease
9 shall be binding upon the parties, or may purchase or
10 lease any other line or lines of telephone or telegraph
11 upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed by the
12 parties 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 Kennebec,
4 is hereby invested with all the powers and privileges by
5 this act conferred upon the Central Maine Shaver Mole-
6 cular Telephone and Telegraph Company, subject to all
7 the duties and liabilities hereof imposed, in said part or
8 parts of said county of Kennebec, the said corporation
9 is 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 fifty thousand dollars, for
4 the exclusive purpose of purchasing, constructing, main-
5 taining and operating telephone and telegraph lines hereby
6 authorized and contemplated, and they may purchase,
7 hold and dispose of such personal and real estate, as may
8 be necessary for that purpose, not exceeding fifty thou-
9 sand dollars, and shall have power by agreement with
10 other persons or bodies corporate to connect its lines with
11 other telephone or telegraph lines, within or without 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
3 damages 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 incorporators 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 corpo-
4 rators, 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.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 6. 1891. }

Tabled, pending first reading, by Mr. HERRICK of Bethel, and ordered
printed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*