

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 223.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Bridge Academy.

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

SECTION 1. Samuel J. Bridge, James A. Morelen,
2 Charles W. Bickford, Edward H. Barker, John H. Mayers,
3 Knowles Gahan, Nathaniel F. Leeman, Asbury C. Stilphen
4 and Edmund Bridge, their associates and successors, are
5 hereby created a corporation and body politic by the name
6 of the Bridge Academy, to be established and maintained
7 in the town of Dresden, in the county of Lincoln, for the
8 promotion of education, literature and science, the same to
9 be non-sectarian in character.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby vested with all the
2 powers, rights, privileges and immunities incident to

3 similar corporations, may have and use a common seal,
4 prosecute and defend suits at law, make and establish by-
5 laws and regulations for the mangement of its affairs and
6 the proper government of the academy, not repugnant to
7 the constitution and laws of the State, and hold estate, real
8 and personal, which it may now have, or may hereafter
9 receive by gift, grant, devise, purchase or otherwise, to
10 an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars.

SECT. 3. The number of trustees of said academy shall
2 not at any time be more than fifteen, nor less than seven,
3 a majority of said board to be at all times citizens of Dres-
4 den. A majority of the trustees shall constitute a quorum
5 to do business and the persons above named, with such
6 others as they may associate with them, not exceeding
7 fifteen in all, shall be the trustees of said corporation,
8 and said trustees or their successors, may fill all vacancies
9 in their board and may remove any trustee when incapable
10 through age or otherwise, to discharge the duties of said
11 office.

SECT. 4. All deeds or conveyances of said estate made
2 under the direction of the trustees, in behalf of said corpo-
3 ration, and sealed with its seal, and signed and acknowl-
4 edged by its treasurer shall be valid in law.

SECT. 5. The votes of said town of Dresden transferring
2 said Lithgow and Bridge fund to Samuel J. Bridge and
3 others as trustees of said fund for the benefit of the school
4 known as Bridge Academy are hereby approved, ratified
5 and made valid, and said town is hereby further authorized
6 to empower said trustees to transfer and deliver to the
7 trustees named in the first section of this act, or their asso-
8 ciates and successors, all said fund and the securities in
9 which the same is invested.

SECT. 6. All children between the ages of ten and
2 twenty-one years, having their usual and legal residence
3 in said town of Dresden, shall have the right to attend
4 said academy and have all its equal privileges and advan-
5 tages free of charge of tuition or otherwise in the same
6 manner and to the same extent as in a free high school,
7 provided, said town of Dresden shall vote to empower the
8 trustees of said fund to transfer and deliver to the trustees
9 under this charter or their associates and successors, said
10 fund and securities as provided in section five of this act.

SECT. 7. Samuel J. Bridge, Edward H. Barker and
2 Charles W. Bickford, or any two of them, are hereby
3 authorized to appoint the time and place for holding the first
4 meeting of the trustees, by giving all the trustees personal
5 notice thereof in writing, or by publishing a notice in some
6 newspaper in the county of Lincoln, seven days previous to
7 said meeting.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect when approved by
2 the governor.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 10, 1891. }

Reported from the Committee on Education, in the Senate, read twice,
passed to be engrossed and sent down for concurrence. Tabled for print-
ing under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*