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No. 58.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Fort Fairfield Sewerage Company.

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

SECTION 1. E. G. Decker, F. W. Burns, E. E.
2 Scates, E. L. Houghton, M. N. Drew, Richard
3 Phillips, A. F. Goodhue, D. J. Bell, A. McCormick,
4 with their associates and successors, are hereby
5 made a corporation by the name of the Fort Fair6 field Sewerage Company, for the purpose of provid7 ing in the town and village of Fort Fairfield a

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8 system of public sewers and drainage for the com-9 fort, convenience and health of the people of said 10 Fort Fairfield, with all the rights, privileges and 11 immunities incident to similar corporations.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may acquire and hold 2 real and personal estate necessary and convenient 3 for the purposes aforesaid, not exceeding in amount 4 twenty-five thousand dollars; may sell and con-5 vey the same; may issue certificates of stock to 6 an amount not exceeding the amount of its capital 7 stock actually paid in; and may issue and sell 8 bonds to an amount not exceeding one-half of its 9 capital stock, so paid in to aid in the construction 10 of works.

SECT. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized 2 to take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any 3 land or real estate, or easement therein, necessary 4 for forming basins, reservoirs and outlets; for erect-5 ing buildings for pumping works, and for laying 6 and maintaining conduits for carrying and collect-7 ing, discharging and disposing of sewerage matter 8 and waters, and for any other object necessary, con-9 venient and proper for the purposes of this act.

SECT. 4. Said corporation may construct con-2 duits, in manner aforesaid, in and through said 3 village of Fort Fairfield, to and into the Aroos-

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4 took river or its tributaries, the discharge there-5 from to be at such points in said rivers, as is most 6 convenient, and convey through the same sewerage, 7 surface water and the natural flowage of existing 8 water courses, and secure and maintain basins, res-9 ervoirs and outlets; may construct and maintain 10 flush-tanks, man-holes, lamp-holes and all usual 11 appliances, public and private; may build and main-12 tain pumping stations and building, constructions 13 and appliances for collecting, holding, distributing 14 and disposing of sewerage matter; may establish 15 regulations for the use of sewers, and fix and 16 collect the prices to be paid for entering the same, 17 and also the annual rentals for using thereof; and 18 said corporation is hereby authorized, for the pur-19 poses aforesaid, having first obtained the permis-20 sion of the municipal officers of said town, and 21 under such restrictions and regulations as said 22 officers may prescribe, to lay down, in and through 23 the streets, highways and lands of said town, and 24 take up, replace and repair all such conduits, pipes 25 and fixtures, as may be necessary for the objects 26 of its incorporation; to carry and lay conduits and 27 pipes under any water-course, railroad or private 28 way, and to cross any drain or sewer, or, if neces-

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29 sary, to change its direction in such a manner as 30 not to obstruct the use thereof; and to enter and 31 dig up any such street, road or way, for the purpose 32 of laying down pipes beneath the surface thereof, 33 for placing man-holes or other fixtures, and for 34 maintaining and repairing the same, and in general 35 to do any other act or things necessary, convenient 36 and proper to be done for the purpose of this act.

SECT. 5. Said corporation shall file in the registry 2 of deeds for the southern district of Aroostook 3 county, a certificate of containing a description of 4 land taken, or in which an easement may be taken, 5 under the provisions of this act, and a statement 6 of the purposes for which it is taken, to be recorded 7 by the register and such land or easement shall be 8 deemed to be taken upon the filing of such certi-9 ficate.

SECT. 6. Said corporation shall be liable to pay 2 all damages that shall be sustained by any person 3 in his property by the taking of any land or ease-4 ment therein, under the provisions of this act; and 5 if any person sustaining damage as a'oresaid, and 6 said corporation shall not mutually agree upon the 7 sum to be paid therefor, such person may cause his 8 damages to be ascertained in the same manner and 9 under the same conditions and limitations as are 10 by law prescribed in the case of damages by the 11 location of railroads.

SECT. 7. Said corporation, at all times, after it 2 shall commence receiving pay for the facilities sup-3 plied by it, shall be bound to permit the owners of 4 all premises, abutting upon its lines of pipes and 5 conduits, to enter the same with all proper sewer-6 age, upon conformity to the rules and regulations of 7 said company, and payment of the prices and rentals 8 established therefor.

SECT. 8. Any person who shall place or leave 2 any offensive or injurious matter or materials in 3 the conduits, catchbasins or receptacles of said 4 corporation, contrary to its regulations, or shall 5 wilfully injure any conduit, pipe, reservoir, flush-6 tank, catch-basin, man-hole, lamp-hole, outlet, 7 engine, pump or other property held, owned or 8 used by said corporation for the purposes of this 9 act, shall pay twice the amount of damages to said 10 corporation, to be recovered in any proper action; 11 and every such person, on conviction of either of 12 said acts of wilful injury aforesaid, shall be pun-13 ished by fine not exceeding \$200, and by imprison-14 ment not exceeding one year.

SECT. 9. The affairs of said corporation shall be 2 controlled by a board of directors, consisting of not

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3 less than five members, who shall be citizens of the
4 town of Fort Fairfield, and elected annually by a
5 vote of the stockholders of the corporation; and the
6 board of directors shall choose such other officers as
7 may from time to time be required by the by-laws
8 of the corporation.

SECT. 10. Any two of the persons mentioned in 2 the first section of this act, may call the first meet-3 ing of said corporation by publishing notice there-4 for two weeks in a newspaper printed in the county 5 of Aroostook.

SECT. 11. This act shall take effect when ap-2 proved.

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IN SENATE, February 9, 1891.

Reported in the House from Committee on Legal Affairs, and passed to be engrossed.

In the Senate, laid on table to be printed, pending second reading, on motion by Mr. POWERS of Aroostook.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.