

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 98.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to Incorporate the Lincoln and Knox Telegraph
and Telephone Company.

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

SECTION 1. George Bliss, Edwin O. Clark, Lincoln L.
2 Kennedy, Hiram Bliss, Jr., Levitt Storer and Henry H.
3 Chamberlain, their associates, successors and assigns, are
4 hereby created a body politic by the name of the Lincoln
5 and Knox Telegraph and Telephone Company, with all
6 the rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties
7 provided by the General Laws of this State relating to
8 corporations, with power by that name to sue and be
9 sued, to have and use a common seal, to establish all by-
10 laws and regulations for the management of its affairs,
11 not repugnant to the laws of this State, and to do any and
12 all lawful acts incident to similar corporations.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to own, 2 construct, maintain and operate a line or lines of tele- 3 graph and telephone from the town of Waldoboro, in the 4 State of Maine, through the towns of Friendship, Jeffer- 5 son and Washington, and from Damariscotta through the 6 town of Bristol, upon and along any public highway or 7 bridge, but in such a manner as not to incommode 8 or endanger the customary public use thereof, and said 9 corporation may cut down any trees standing within the 10 limits of any highway, except ornamental or shade trees, 11 when necessary for the erection, use or safety of its lines.

SECT. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to carry 2 on the business of providing practical telegraphic and tele- 3 phonic communication by the use of any proper telegraph or 4 telephone appliance or invention and may purchase, sell or 5 lease any such appliance or invention, and operate the 6 same. Said corporation may attach its wires or other 7 appliances to buildings or trees, *providing* that the owners 8 of such buildings or trees shall first give written consent 9 thereto.

SECT. 4. The capital stock of said company shall be of 2 such amount as they may from time to time determine to 3 be necessary for the sole purpose of owning, constructing, 4 maintaining and operating the line or lines of telegraph and 5 telephone hereby authorized and contemplated, and of any 6 telegraph or telephone appliance or invention referred to 7 herein, and they may purchase, hold or dispose of such 8 personal and real estate as may be necessary for their 9 purposes.

SECT. 5. This company shall have power, by agreement 2 with other person or persons, or bodies corporate, to con-

nect their line or lines with other lines of telegraph and
telephone within and without the State.

SECT. 6. In case of real estate taken necessary to
carry out the provisions of this act, the damages therefor,
when the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured
and paid as in case of land taken for highways.

SECT. 7. Any two of the persons named in this act of
incorporation, may call the first meeting of the company
by giving written and seasonable notice thereof to each of
their associates.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 10, 1893. }

Reported by Mr. DURGIN of Orono, from Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*