

Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 103.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Washington County Railroad

Company.

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

SECTION 1. S. N. Campbell, Frank W. Sawyer, V. 2 L. Coffin, W. M. Nash, Philo Lewis, Horace M. Leigh-3 ton, F. A. Chandler, Ansel Tupper, D. W. Rollins, C. 4 Sullivan, John K. Ames, J. F. Lynch, Austin Harris, N. S. Allan, J. R. Talbot, Daniel Smith, Baker Sumner, 5 Stephen Hunt, E. H. Sprague, S. D. Leavitt, N. B. 6 Nutt, C. A. Paine, G. A. Curran, L. G. Downes, Geo. 7 A. Murchie, A. McNichol, C. A. McCullough, J. S. 8 Clark and their associates, are hereby created a body 9 10 corporate under the name of the Washington County

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11 Railroad Company, with all the powers, rights and priv12 ileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions and obli13 gations conferred and imposed on railroad corporations
14 by the laws of the State.

SECT. 2. Said corporation shall have the right to 2 locate, construct, equip, maintain and operate, or lease 3 a railroad from some point on the St. Croix river, in the city of Calais, or vicinity, through the counties of Wash-4 ington and Hancock, by such route as the directors of 5said corporation may select, subject, however, to all pro-6 visions of the Revised Statutes, chapter fifty-one, section 7 six, to some point on the Maine Central Railroad in Han-8 cock county, including a branch to Eastport, and to con-9 10 solidate with any railroad company in the State of Maine 11 or in the province of New Brunswick, with which it may 12 connect.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall 2 not exceed thirty thousand shares of one hundred dollars 3 each.

SECT. 4. The officers of said corporation shall consist 2 of a board of directors, president, clerk, treasurer and 3 such others as may be provided in the by-laws. The 4 powers and duties of the officers shall be such as are pre-5 scribed in the by-laws.

SECT. 5. Said corporation is empowered to erect and 2 maintain bridges across tide waters, lakes, ponds, and 3 navigable rivers and streams, which its railroad may cross;

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4 provided, that they shall be so constructed as not unnec-5 essarily to obstruct the navigation of such waters.

SECT. 6. For the purpose of surveying, locating, con-2 structing, equipping, maintaining or operating said rail-3 road, and for all proper expenses in its business, said cor-4 poration may issue its bonds on such terms and conditions 5 as it may see fit, and secure them by a mortgage of its 6 entire franchise and property, or any part thereof.

SECT. 7. This charter is granted because the objects 2 thereof cannot be attained under the General Laws of the 3 State, in consequence of the crossing of tide waters, 4 navigable for vessels, by the railroad authorized hereby; 5and it shall become void unless the railroad between Calais and some point on the Maine Central Railroad as 6 7 aforesaid shall have been located and the construction thereof commenced by the first day of February, in the 8 9 year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and 10 the railroad completed for ravel the termini by 11 the first day of February, in the year of our Lord eigh-12 teen hundred and ninety-nine, except as to such part 13 thereof as may then have been completed.

SECT. 8. S. D. Leavitt and L. G. Downes or either of 2 them are named to call the first meeting under this act.

SECT. 9. Electricity or steam power may be used for 2 motors.

SECT. 10. Sullivan river or Taunton bay shall not be2 crossed by said railroad within one mile of Sullivan Falls,3 so called, without the consent of the municipal authorities

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4 of the towns of Sullivan and Hancock in said Hancock5 county.

SECT. 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, February 10, 1893.

Reported by Mr. McCULLOUGH of Calais, from Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and ordered printed under joint rules. W. S. COTTON, Clerk.

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