

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 280.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Howland Bridge Company.

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

SECTION 1. Charles W. Coffin, Nathaniel M. Jones,
2 George E. Keith, Thomas B. Draper, Charles Curtis, Rob-
3 ert B. Dunning, W. H. Stacey and George A. Russell,
4 their associates and successors be and hereby are created
5 a body corporate and politic by the name of the Howland
6 Bridge Company with the power by that name to sue and
7 be sued; to have a common seal and all other powers
8 usually vested in such corporations.

SECT. 2. Said bridge shall be erected across the Piscata-
2 quis river from shore to shore in the town of Howland
3 above the dam of the Howland Falls Pulp Company and

4 at the foot of Front street in Howland village. Said
5 bridge shall be built from good and suitable materials so
6 as to be safe and convenient for travelers and heavy
7 teams, and sixteen feet width in the clear and shall be of
8 such height from the water, and the piers shall be so
9 constructed that said bridge and piers shall not impede
10 or hinder the passage of logs, or other lumber, boats or
11 other craft up or down said river.

SECT. 3. A toll is hereby granted for said corporation
2 according to the following rates, to wit: Foot passengers
3 free; for each horse and single carriage whether sleigh,
4 sled, cart, wagon or other vehicle drawn by one horse,
5 twenty cents; for each wagon, sled or other vehicle
6 drawn by two horses or other beasts, thirty cents; for
7 each coach, carriage, wagon, sled, or other vehicle drawn
8 by four horses, oxen or other beasts, forty cents; for
9 every additional beast, five cents; for neat cattle or
10 horses other than those in teams, five cents each; for each
11 sheep and swine, two cents each; but no toll shall be
12 taken of persons going to or returning from funerals, or
13 to religious services in Howland on the Sabbath. Pro-
14 vided that the above rates of toll shall at any time be
15 subject to be altered by law, and said proprietors shall
16 keep exposed to view at the place where the toll is col-
17 lected a sign with the rates of toll plainly printed thereon.

SECT. 4. If at any time there shall be a free bridge
2 constructed by the State or other parties safe for the pas-
3 sage of teams, as provided in this act, across the Penobscot

4 river, at or near the mouth of said Piscataquis river, and
5 said last named bridge is built and open to the public than
6 the tolls named in this act shall cease, and said first named
7 bridge shall then become the property of the town of How-
8 land, said town to maintain and keep it in repair without
9 further expense to said corporation.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 8, 1893.

Reported by Mr. McCULLOUGH of Calais, from Committee on Ways
and Bridges, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*