

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

SENATE.

45.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to Incorporate the Franklin Telephone and Tel-
egraph Company.

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

SECTION 1. Charles A. Allen, Edward S. Dingley and
2 Chester Greenwood, their associates, successors and as-
3 signs, are hereby created a body corporate, by the name
4 of the Franklin Telephone and Telegraph Company,
5 with all the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to
6 all the duties and obligations granted and prescribed
7 by the General Laws of this State relating to corpora-
8 tions; with power by that name to sue and be sued;

9 to have and use a common seal, and the same to
10 be changed at pleasure; to establish any and all by-
11 laws and regulations for the management of their affairs
12 not repugnant to the laws of this State, and to do and
13 perform any and all other legal and lawful acts, incident
14 to similar corporations.

SECT. 2. Said corporation shall have the right to own,
2 locate, construct, maintain and operate a telephone and
3 telegraph line, from Farmington to any and all points in
4 the county of Franklin, except where there is a telegraph
5 or telephone line now in operation.

SECT. 3. Said company shall have the right, within the
2 limits aforesaid, to locate, construct and maintain its line
3 upon and along any public way, bridge or private lands,
4 but in such manner as not to incommode or danger the
5 customary use of such way or bridge. With the right to
6 cut down trees, remove obstacles when necessary, within
7 the limits aforesaid, except ornamental, fruit or shade
8 trees, and with the power to establish and collect tolls
9 on said line, provided, that the rights to construct and
10 maintain said lines shall be subject to the provisions of
11 chapter three hundred and seventy-eighty, Public Laws of
12 eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and all rights and
13 powers granted by this act shall be exercised in accord-
14 ance with said chapter three hundred and seventy-eight.

SECT. 4. If the land of any individual or corporation
2 is taken under this act and the parties cannot agree on the

3 damages occasioned thereby, they shall be estimated,
4 secured and paid as for land taken for highways.

SECT. 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to con-
2 nect its line or lines with those of any other company, or
3 to sell or lease its line either before or after completion to
4 any other telephone or telegraph company, upon such
5 terms as may be mutually agreed upon, which sale or
6 lease shall be binding upon the parties; or to purchase or
7 lease any other line or lines of telephone or telegraph,
8 upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually
9 agreed upon.

SECT. 6. The amount of capital stock shall be fixed by
2 vote of the corporation, but not to exceed ten thousand
3 dollars, and said corporation may purchase, hold, sell and
4 convey real estate and personal property necessary for the
5 purposes contemplated in this charter.

SECT. 7. Any one of the corporators named in this act,
2 may call the first meeting of this company by mailing a
3 written notice to each of the other corporators, seven days
4 at least, before the day of meeting, naming the time,
5 place and purposes of such meeting; and at such meeting,
6 a president, secretary, treasurer and directors may be
7 chosen, by-laws adopted and any corporate business
8 transacted.

SECT. 8. This charter shall be null and void unless
2 operations shall actually commence hereunder within two
3 years from date of the passage of this act.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 10, 1893.

Reported by Mr. HOLMAN, from Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs
and Expresses, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*