

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

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SENATE.

No. 151.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to incorporate the Franklin Light and Power  
Company.

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

SECTION 1. Daniel M. Bonney, Geo. W. Wheeler,  
2 Almas S. Butterfield, F. E. Voter and J. C. Tarbox,  
3 their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby consti-  
4 tuted a corporation by the name of the Franklin Light and  
5 Power Company, with all the powers and subject to all the  
6 liabilities of corporations.

SECT. 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to  
2 carry on the business of lighting by electricity or other-  
3 wise, such public streets in the towns of New Sharon,  
4 Chesterville and Farmington, and such buildings and

5 places therein, public and private, as may be agreed  
6 upon by said corporation and the owners or those having  
7 control of such places to be lighted, and may furnish  
8 motive power by electricity or otherwise within said towns,  
9 and may build and operate manufactories and works for  
10 providing and supplying electricity, light and power,  
11 and may lease, purchase and hold real estate, and personal  
12 estate to the amount of \$100,000, and to construct, lay,  
13 maintain and operate lines of wire or other material for the  
14 transmission of electricity or power upon, under, along  
15 and over any and all streets and ways under the direction  
16 of the municipal officers of said towns.

SECT. 3. Said company shall repay to any town, any  
2 sum of money which such town may have been compelled  
3 to pay on any judgment, for any damages caused by  
4 a defect or want of repair in the streets thereof, due to the  
5 negligence of said company, or any judgment for damages  
6 caused by the neglect of said company in the erecting and  
7 maintaining posts, wires or appurtenances connected with  
8 said business.

SECT. 4. Said company shall not be allowed to obstruct  
2 or impair the use of any public or private drain, or sewer,  
3 telegraph or telephone wire, but may cross, or when nec-  
4 essary, change the direction of any private wire or pipe,  
5 drain or sewer, in such a manner as not to obstruct or  
6 impair the use thereof, being responsible to the owner or  
7 other person for any injury occasioned thereby, in an ac-  
8 tion on the case.

SECT. 5. Damages for any land or other property,  
2 taken for the purpose of erecting or laying said lines, if  
3 the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and  
4 paid the same as damages in the construction of railroads.

SECT. 6. The capital stock of said company shall be  
2 \$10,000 divided into shares of \$100 each with the privi-  
3 lege of increasing said capital stock from time to time as  
4 the stockholders may determine, to any sum not exceeding  
5 \$100,000, and said company is hereby authorized to issue  
6 bonds in such amount and upon such rates and time as it  
7 may determine, and secure the same by a mortgage of its  
8 franchises and property.

SECT. 7. The first meeting may be called by either  
2 corporator, giving five days' written notice, by mail, to  
3 his associates, stating the time and place thereof, or by  
4 publication of said notice, at least once in a newspaper  
5 published in Franklin county, said publication to be at  
6 least five days before said meeting.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, March 10, 1893.

Reported by Mr. SPOFFORD, from Committee on Legal Affairs, and  
laid on table to printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary*.