

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 200.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to extend the time for the construction and loca-
tion of Washington County Railroad.

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

SECTION 1. The time for the location and construction
2 of the Washington County Railroad Company, incorpo-
3 rated under chapter fifty-four of the private acts of eighteen
4 hundred and ninety-three, is hereby extended to four years
5 from the date of approval of this act, and all the provisions
6 of said chapter shall be and remain in force during said
7 four years.

SECT. 2. The Washington County Railroad Company
2 is hereby authorized to purchase or lease the Shore Line
3 railroad from Saint Stephen to St. John, New Brunswick,
4 and all rights, franchises, and other property belonging to
5 said Shore Line Railroad Company, upon such terms and
6 conditions as may be agreed upon between said railroad
7 companies.

SECT. 3. Said Washington County Railroad Com-
2 pany is hereby authorized to enter into a contract
3 with the State of Maine for the transportation over
4 its railroad, so far as constructed, of troops and muni-
5 tions of war in times of war, insurrection or civil
6 commotion, free of charge other than as herein pro-
7 vided, for a period of twenty years from and after
8 the passage of this act and to receive therefor from
9 said state, annually for said term of twenty years, an
10 amount which shall equal ninety-five per cent of the taxes
11 collected in the corresponding year by said state from
12 said corporation, upon its road and other real or personal
13 property, including its stock and franchises.

Whenever such a contract shall be enacted by said corpo-
15 ration and approved by a majority vote of its stockholders
16 at a meeting duly called for that purpose and shall be
17 presented to the treasurer of said state, it shall be the
18 duty of said treasurer to execute said contract in behalf
19 of said state, and thereafter said treasurer shall pay over
20 to said corporation each year during the term of said con-
21 tract, the amount provided in this section, and as part of

22 the consideration of said contract the bonds issued by
23 said county and said railroad to aid in the construction
24 thereof, shall not be liable to state, county or municipal
25 taxation for the period of twenty years from their issue.

SECT. 4. Unless the contract for construction of said
2 road is awarded to J. N. Greene, or his representatives,
3 then within thirty days after a contract for construction is
4 made, or work begun, the said Greene or the Maine Shore
5 Line Railroad Company may tender to said Washington
6 County Railroad Company all the plans, surveys, speci-
7 fications and estimates made for the Maine Shore Line
8 Railroad Company, and thereupon said Washington
9 County Railroad Company shall pay for the same the sum
10 of twenty-five thousand dollars, provided, however, that
11 if said Washington County Railroad Company shall at
12 any time tender said sum to said Greene or to the Maine
13 Shore Line Railroad Company or their representatives,
14 and said plans, surveys, specifications and estimates are
15 not delivered within ten days after such tender, then said
16 Washington County Railroad Company shall not be liable
17 under this section after such tender and non delivery.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 22, 1895. }

Reported by Mr. McCULLOUGH, of Calais, from Committee on Rail-
roads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*