

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 313.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

An Act to incorporate the Rockland and Vinalhaven Tele-
graph and Telephone Company.

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

SECTION 1. F. S. Walls, J. P. Armbrust, John Lowe,
2 Nelson Mullin, W. S. White, G. M. Brainard, E. P.
3 Walker, J. F. Bodwell, their associates, successors and
4 assigns, are hereby created a body politic by the name of
5 the Rockland and Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone
6 Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges, and
7 subject to all the duties and obligations, granted and pre-
8 scribed by the general laws of this state relating to cor-
9 porations.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to own,
2 construct, maintain and operate a line or lines of telegraph

3 and telephone from the city of Rockland, in the county
4 of Knox, through the town of South Thomaston to that
5 portion of said town known as Owls Head, thence through
6 the towns of Hurricane Isle, Vinalhaven to North Haven,
7 or should this route be deemed impracticable, said cor-
8 poration may construct, maintain and operate a line or
9 lines of telegraph and telephone from the city of Rock-
10 land, in the county of Knox, through Rockport, Camden,
11 Lincolnville, Northport, to the city of Belfast, in the
12 county of Waldo, and from said Northport to Isles-
13 borough, North Haven, Vinalhaven, Hurricane Isle, Deer
14 Isle, Castine and Islesborough, upon and along any public
15 highway, railroad, bridge or private lands, and to lay
16 cables under tide waters, but in such manner as not to
17 incommode or endanger the customary public use thereof,
18 with the right to cut down trees and remove obstacles,
19 when necessary, within the limits aforesaid, except orna-
20 mental, fruit or shade trees, and with the power to estab-
21 lish and collect tolls on said line or lines.

SECT. 3. If the land of any individual or corporation is
2 taken under this act, and the parties cannot agree on the
3 damage occasioned thereby, they shall be taken, estimated,
4 secured and paid in the manner provided in the case of
5 land taken for railroads.

SECT. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized and
2 empowered to connect its line or lines with those of any
3 other telegraph or telephone company or corporation, or
4 to sell or lease its line or lines of telegraph and property,
5 and telephone and property, either before or after com-
6 pletion, to any other telegraph or telephone company or
7 corporation, upon such terms as may be mutually agreed

8 upon, which sale or lease shall be binding upon the par-
9 ties ; or may purchase or lease any other line or lines of
10 telegraph or telephone upon such terms and conditions as
11 may be mutually agreed upon.

SECT. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be
2 of such amount as said corporation may from time to time
3 determine to be necessary, but not exceeding the sum of
4 fifty thousand dollars, for the sole purpose of owning, con-
5 structing, maintaining and operating the line or lines of
6 telegraph or telephone hereby authorized or contemplated,
7 and said corporation may purchase, hold, sell and convey
8 all real and personal property necessary for the purposes
9 contemplated in this charter.

SECT. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized and
2 empowered to issue its bonds in such amounts and on such
3 times and rates as it may from time to time determine, and
4 secure the same by a mortgage of its property and fran-
5 chise.

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

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

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 7, 1895. }

Reported by Mr. WHITE of Rockland, from Committee on Railroads,
Telegraphs and Expresses, and ordered printed under house rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*