

Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

No. 365.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Farmington, Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company.

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

SECTION 1. H. B. Goodenough of Brighton, Mass., 2 V. B. Mead of Boston, Mass., N. B. Beal of Phillips, 3 W. F. P. Fogg of Waterville, P. H. Stubbs of Strong, 4 Daniel M. Bonney of Farmington, N. Harding of New 5 Sharon and Thomas Sampson of Winslow, and I. C. Libby, 6 John Webber, C. E. Gray, P. S. Heald of Waterville, 7 also W. C. Philbrook and Thomas Croswell of Farming-8 ton, Me., their associates, successors and assigns, are 9 hereby made and constituted a body corporate, by the 10 name of the Farmington, Waterville and Wiscasset Rail-11 road Company; and the said corporation is hereby author-

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12 ized to locate, construct, equip and operate a railroad from 13 some point in the city of Waterville through the towns of 14 Oakland, Belgrade, Smithfield, Rome, Mercer and New 15 Sharon to Farmington, and said corporation shall have all 16 the powers, privileges and immunities, and be subject to 17 all the duties and liabilities provided by the statutes of 18 this state respecting railroads.

SECT. 2. The said corporation is authorized to operate 2 its railroad by steam or electricity, or both. It is further 3 authorized to carry on the business of an express com-4 pany and to maintain telephone and telegraph lines for 5 public use along its location and to its general office in 6 the city of Waterville. It may also erect and maintain 7 hotels, cottages and pleasure grounds near and around 8 North pond and Great pond and the islands therein, pro-9 vided that the right of taking lands or other property 10 shall not extend to property so to be used for such last 11 named purposes, and all such lands or property, shall be 12 acquired by purchase and in no other way.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall 2 consist of not more than one thousand shares of one hun-3 dred dollars each, to be fixed from time to time by the 4 corporation, and the immediate government of its affairs 5 shall be vested in a board of directors to be chosen as the 6 by-laws of said company may provide, who shall hold 7 their offices until others are chosen and qualified in their 8 places. The said corporation shall have the power to 9 make, ordain and establish all necessary by-laws not in-10 consistent with law.

SECT. 4. A toll is hereby granted for the benefit of 2 said corporation upon all passengers and property which

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3 may be conveyed or transferred on or over its railroad at 4 such rates as may be established by its directors, and on 5 such business as it may do over its telephone and tele-6 graph lines, and through its express facilities, subject to 7 such general laws in relation thereto as are or may from 8 time to time be established by the Legislature.

SECT. 5. The said company is hereby authorized to make 2 connections with any other railroad or railroads on such 3 terms as may be mutually agreed upon, and to lease its 4 road and property either before or after it shall have been 5 completed, on such terms as it may determine, subject in 6 all cases to the approval of the stockholders in each corpora-7 tion.

SECT. 6. The said corporation is authorized to pur-2 chase or lease the property and franchises of any connect-3 ing railroad corporation in this state of the same gauge, 4 or to purchase and hold the stock and bonds of any such 5 corporation, and all such corporations or any corporation 6 or association or person, claiming rights under the stock, 7 bonds, mortgages, or franchises of any such corporations 8 are hereby authorized to make such sales or leases. All 9 such property, franchises, stock and bonds so acquired 10 may be pledged or mortgaged to secure the bonds herein-11 after authorized.

SECT. 7. Said corporation is authorized to issue its 2 bonds from time to time to such an amount as may be 3 required for the purposes authorized for this act, in such 4 form and on such time and rates as the directors may deem 5 advisable and to secure the same by mortgage of its road, 6 franchises and property, or in any other manner.

SECT. 8. If the said corporation is not organized and 2 the location of its road, according to actual survey, is not

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3 filed with the county commissioners of the counties of 4 Kennebec, Somerset and Franklin, on or before the 5 thirty-first day of December next, or if it shall fail to 6 complete its road on or before the thirty-first day of 7 December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight 8 hundred and ninety-six, then in either of the above men-9 tioned cases this act shall be null and void as to all that 10 part of said railroad not completed and finished on or 11 before the date last above mentioned.

SECT. 9. The first meeting of the corporation may be 2 called by any two of the corporators above named, by 3 notice thereof in writing given or mailed to each corporator 4 at least ten days before said meeting. Any corporator may 5 act at such meeting by proxy.

SECT. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

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House of Representatives, March 14, 1895.

Reported by Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, from Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and ordered printed under joint rules. W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.