

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 224.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to incorporate the Lubec Electric 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. Clarence H. Clark, Bion M. Pike, Clarence E.  
2 Watts, Charles J. Staples, Robert G. McBride, Alexander  
3 B. Sumner and Jacob C. Pike, their associates, successors  
4 and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate by the name  
5 of Lubec Electric Light and Power Company, with all the  
6 powers, rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties  
7 and obligations conferred and imposed on corporations by  
8 law, except as otherwise provided herein.

Sect. 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to  
2 carry on the business of lighting by electricity, such public

3 streets of the town of Lubec, and such buildings and places  
4 therein, public and private, as may be agreed upon by said  
5 corporation and the owners or those having control of such  
6 places to be lighted; and may furnish motive power by  
7 electricity within the limits of said town of Lubec; and  
8 may build and operate manufactories and works for the pro-  
9 viding and supplying of electricity and light and power, and  
10 may lease, purchase and hold real and personal estate for the  
11 proper objects of the corporation, to the amount of twenty  
12 thousand dollars, and to construct, lay, maintain and operate  
13 lines of wire or other material for the transmission of elec-  
14 tricity, sub-marine, under ground, upon, under and along  
15 and over any and all streets and ways, under the direction of  
16 the municipal officers of said Lubec; and in public places in  
17 such a manner as not to endanger the appropriate public use  
18 thereof, and to establish and maintain, under direction of  
19 said municipal officers, all necessary posts, pipes, supports,  
20 and appurtenances, and terminating at such points as may  
21 be expedient.

Sect. 3. For the erecting said wires above ground and for  
2 laying the same, or pipes thereof, sub-marine or under  
3 ground, and for taking up, replacing and repairing the same,  
4 said company shall first obtain the consent of the municipi-  
5 pal officers of said town, and perform all said acts as directed  
6 by said municipal officers; and said company shall repay  
7 to said Lubec any sum which said town may have been  
8 compelled to pay on any judgment for any damages caused

9 by a defect or want of repair in the streets or ways thereof,  
10 due to the neglect of said company, or on any judgment for  
11 damages caused by the negligence of said company in the  
12 erecting and maintaining of any posts, wires or appurte-  
13 nances connected with said business.

Sect. 4. Said company, at its own expense, without unnec-  
2 essary delay, shall remove any and all obstructions in any  
3 street or way, made in erecting or laying the lines for such  
4 purposes, and cause earth disturbed to be properly replaced.  
5 It shall not be allowed to obstruct or impair the use of any  
6 public or private drain, or gas pipe, or sewer, telegraph or  
7 telephone wire, but may cross, or, when necessary, change  
8 the direction of any private wire or pipe, drain or sewer, in  
9 such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof,  
10 being responsible to the owner or other person for any injury  
11 occasioned thereby, in an action on the case.

Sect. 5. Damages for any land taken for the purposes of  
2 erecting or laying said lines, if the parties cannot agree, shall  
3 be estimated, secured and paid as in the case of lands taken  
4 for railroads.

Sect. 6. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed  
2 to effect or diminish the liability of said corporation for any  
3 injury to private property, by depreciating the value thereof  
4 or otherwise, but any legal remedies existing shall continue.

Sect. 7. The selectmen of said Lubec for the time being,  
2 shall, at all times have the power to regulate and control the  
3 acts and doings of said corporation, which may in any man-

ner effect the health or safety, or become a nuisance to the inhabitants of said town.

Sect. 8. The capital stock of said company shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, divided into shares of fifty dollars each.

Sect. 9. Said company is hereby authorized to issue bonds for the construction of its works upon such rates and time, and in such amount as it may deem necessary, not to exceed ten thousand dollars in all, and to secure the same by mortgage or deed of trust upon its franchise and property.

Sect. 10. Any two of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by both, postage paid, to each of the corporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of said meeting; a president, secretary and directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted, and any corporate business transacted.

Sect. 11. This act may be accepted at any regular meeting of said association by a majority of the members present.

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

March 4, 1897.

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W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*