

Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 286.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four Toll and Railway Bridges across the St. John River.

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

Section 1. The St. John River Bridge Company, a cor-2 poration duly chartered by the Parliament of the Dominion 3 of Canada, is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, 4 construct, make, maintain, manage and use four toll bridges 5 for foot, pasengers, vehicles, animals and other ordinary 6 traffic purposes, across the St. John River, at or near the 7 points or places following, that is to say:—one bridge from 8 some point at or near Claire Station in the province of New 9 Brunswick, to some point at or near Fort Kent in tht State

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10 of Maine; another bridge from some point in or near the 11 village of St. Hilaire in the province of New Brunswick, to 12 some ponit at or near Frenchville in the State of Maine; 13 another bridge from some point in or near the village of 14 Edmundston in the province of New Brunswick to some 15 point in the township or parish of St. Davids, in the State 16 of Maine, and another bridge from some point in or near 17 the village of St. Leonards in the province of New Bruns-18 wick to some point in or near the village of Van Buren, in 19 the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of said 20 charter, provided, said bridges shall be so constructed and 21 maintained as not to unnecessarily interfere with or obstruct 22 the ordinary and usual navigation of said river.

Sect. 2. Said company is also hereby further authorized and 2 empowered in addition to the uses aforesaid, to erect, con-3 struct, maintain and use said bridges, or any of them, as 4 railway bridges and for the operation of railroads thereon.

Sect. 3. The bridging of said river as aforesaid, for the 2 purpose aforesaid is hereby approved.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 12, 1897.

Reported by Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, from Committee on Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.