

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 206.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Damariscotta and Bristol Telephone Company.

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

Section 1. C. B. Meserve, N. J. Hanna, J. W. Brackett
2 and R. H. Oram, their associates, successors and assigns,
3 are hereby created a body politic by the name of the Damar-
4 iscotta and Bristol Telephone Company, with all the rights
5 and privileges, and subject to all the duties provided by the
6 general laws of this State relating to corporations, with
7 power by that name to sue and be sued, to have and use a
8 common seal, to establish all by-laws and regulations for
9 the management of its affairs, not repugnant to the laws of
10 this State, and to do any and all lawful acts incident to sim-
11 ilar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to own, 2 construct, maintain and operate a line or lines of telephone 3 from the town of Damariscotta in the State of Maine into 4 and through the town of Bristol in said State, upon and 5 along any public highway or bridge, subject to the control 6 of the municipal officers of said town, but in such a manner 7 as not to incommode or endanger the customary public use 8 thereof, and said corporation may cut down any trees stand- 9 ing within the limits of any highway, except ornamental 10 or shade trees, when necessary for the erection, use or safety 11 of its lines.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to carry 2 on the business of providing practical telephonic communi- 3 cation by the use of any proper telephone appliance or 4 invention, and may purchase, sell or lease any such appli- 5 ance or invention, and operate the same. Said corporation 6 may attach its wires or other appliances to buildings or trees, 7 provided that the owners of such buildings or trees shall 8 first give written consent thereto.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said company shall be of such 2 amount as they may from time to time determine to be neces- 3 sary for the sole purpose of owning, constructing, maintain- 4 ing and operating the line or lines of telephone hereby 5 authorized and contemplated, and of any telephone appli- 6 ance or invention referred to herein, and they may purchase, 7 hold or dispose of such personal and real estate as may be 8 necessary for their purposes.

Sect. 5. This company shall have power, by agreement 2 with other person or persons, or bodies corporate, to con- 3 nect this line or lines with other lines of telephone within 4 the State.

Sect. 6. In case of real estate taken necessary to carry out
2 the provisions of this act, the damages therefor, when the
3 parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid
4 as in case of lands taken for highways.

Sect. 7. Any two of the persons named in this act of incor-
2 poration, may call the first meeting of the company, by
3 giving written and reasonable notice thereof to each of their
4 associates.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 24, 1897.

Reported by Mr. HEALD, from Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs
and Expresses, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*