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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE. No. 268.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Winthrop Telegraph and Telephone Company.

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

Section 1. Elliott Wood, Leroy T. Carleton, Charles I.

- 2 Bailey, Linwood B. Jones, Levi E. Jones, Herbert E. Foster,
- 3 Charles D. Wood, their associates, successors and assigns,
- 4 are hereby created a body politic by the name of the Win-
- 5 throp Telegraph and Telephone Company, with all the
- 6 powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties and obli-
- 7 gations granted and prescribed by the general laws of this

8 State relating to corporations. Said corporation shall have 9 the right to locate, construct, maintain and operate lines of 10 telegraph and telephone between such points as it may determine in the towns of Monmouth, Winthrop and Manchester 12 and to some point in the city of Augusta, where a pay station 13 may be maintained, to be located by the municipal officers 14 of said city of Augusta.

Sect. 2. Said company shall have the right within the 2 limits aforesaid, to locate, construct and maintain its lines 3 upon and along any public way, railroad, bridge or private 4 lands, but in such a manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary use of such way, road or bridge, with the 6 right to cut down trees, remove obstacles when necessary 7 within the limits aforesaid, except ornamental, fruit or shade 8 trees, and with the power to establish and collect tolls on said 9 line.

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

Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to connect 2 its line or lines with those of any other company, or to sell or 3 lease its lines either before or after completion to any other 4 telephone or telegraph company, upon such terms as may be 5 mutually agreed upon, which sale or lease shall be binding 6 upon the parties or to purchase or lease any other line or 7 lines or telegraph or telephone upon such terms and condistions as may be mutually agreed upon.

Sect. 5. The amount of the capital stock shall be fixed 2 by a vote of the corporation, but not to exceed the amount 3 that may from time to time be considered to be necessary 4 for the purposes herein specified, but not exceeding fifteen 5 thousand dollars, and such corporation may purchase, hold, 6 sell, and convey real estate and personal property necessary 7 for the purposes contemplated in this charter.

Sect. 6. Any one of the corporators named in this act 2 may call a first meeting of this company by mailing a written 3 notice to each of the other corporators seven days, at least, 4 before the day of meeting, naming the time, place, and pur-5 poses of such meeting, and at such meeting a president, secfetary, treasurer and directors may be chosen, by-laws 7 adopted, and any corporate business transacted.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, Augusta, March 3, 1899.

Reported by Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond, from Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.