## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## Seventieth Legislature.

HOUSE. No. 63

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company.

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

Section 1. F. J. Goodspeed, R. C. Fuller, H. R. Dascomb,

- 2 Geo. R. Fernald and C. N. Blanchard, their associates, suc-
- 3 cessors and assigns are hereby constituted a corporation by
- 4 the name of the Wilson Electric Light and Power Company,
- 5 with all the powers and subject to all the liabilities of corpor-
- 6 ations.
  - Sect. 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to
- 2 carry on the business of lighting by electricity or otherwise,
- 3 such public streets in the town of Wilton, and such buildings
- 4 and places therein, public and private as may be agreed upon

5 by said corporation and the owners of those having control 6 of such places to be lighted, and may furnish motive power 7 by electricity or otherwise within said town and may build 8 and operate manufactories and works for providing and 9 supplying electricity, light and power, and may take, lease, 10 purchase and hold real estate, and personal estate to the 11 amount of one hundred thousand dollars, and to construct, 12 lay, maintain and operate lines of wire or other material for 13 the transmission of electricity or power, upon, under, along 14 and over any and all streets and ways under the direction of 15 the municipal officers of said town.

Sect. 3. Said company shall repay to any town, any sum 2 of money which such town may have been compelled to pay 3 on any judgment, for any damages caused by a defect or 4 want of repair in the streets thereof, due to the negligence of 5 said company, or any judgment for damages caused by the 6 neglect of said company, in the erecting and maintaining 7 posts, wires or appurtenances connected with said business; 8 provided said company shall have notice in writing of 9 any suit wherein such damages are claimed, and shall be 10 allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

Sect. 4. Shall company shall not be allowed to obstruct or 2 impair the use of any public or private drain, or sewer, 3 telegraph or telephone wire, but may cross, or when neces-4 sary, change the direction of any private wire or pipe, drain 5 or sewer, in such a manner as not to obstruct or impair the 6 use thereof, being responsible to the owner or other person 7 for any injury occasioned thereby, in an action on the case.

- Sect. 5. Damages for any land or other property, taken 2 for the purpose of erecting or laying said lines, if the parties 3 cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid the same 4 as damages in the construction of railroads.
- Sect. 6. The capital stock of said company shall be ten 2 thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars 3 each, with the privilege of increasing said capital stock from 4 time to time as the stockholders may determine, to any sum 5 not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and said com-6 pany is hereby authorized to issue bonds, in such amount 7 not exceeding the amount of its capital stock subscribed for, 8 and upon such rates and time as it may determine, and 9 secure the same by a mortgage of its franchises and property.
- Sect. 7. The first meeting may be called by either corpor-2 ator, giving five days' written notice, by mail, to his associates, 3 stating the time and place thereof, or by publication of said 4 notice, at least once in a newspaper published in Franklin 5 county, said publication to be at least five days before said 6 meeting.
  - Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

## STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, February 1, 1901.

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W. S. COTTON, Clerk.