

Seventieth Legislature.

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No. 111

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend chapter 207 of the Private and Special Laws of the State of Maine for the year 1895, as heretofore amended, relating to the Eastern Telephone Company.

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

Section 1. Section 2 of said act as amended by section 2 2 of chapter 344 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897 is 3 hereby amended by striking out the entire section and insert-4 ing in place thereof the following:

'Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to con-6 struct, own, maintain and operate lines of telegraph and tele-7 phone throughout the Stae of Maine and wihin and between 8 any or all of the cities, towns and islands thereof, and in any 9 part or parts thereof, commencing and terminating at such

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10 points as they may determine and to do all things that may II be necessary or convenient therefor; to erect poles and lay 12 pipes, or other conduits, for the supporting and containing 13 such wires and cables as it may determine, upon, along, 14 across, within, or under any street, highway, public way, 15 bridge line of railroad, or private land; to stretch wires or 16 cables over, or lay them under, tide water, all in such manner 17 as not to unnecessarily incommode or endanger the customary 18 public use thereof; first having obtained therefor the consent 19 required by law of the municipal officers in case of streets, 20 highways or public ways, and the consent of the directors of 21 any railroad along the right of way of which the same shall 22 pass; to place any wires and cables upon and within the 23 same; and to collect tolls and rentals for the use thereof; with 24 the right to cut down trees, except ornamental and shade 25 trees, and remove obstructions when necessary.'

Sect. 2. Said charter is further amended by adding thereto 2 two following sections, numbers nine and ten:

'Sect. 9. All acts done by, locations and permissions 4 granted to, and the mortgage of its property and franchises 5 made by said company, and all the provisions of said mort-6 gage are hereby ratified, approved and made valid.'

'Sect. 10. This corporation is authorized to exercise its 8 powers, carry on its business and do all acts pertaining 9 thereto, in any other state or country.'

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AUGUSTA, February 8, 1901.

Tabled pending acceptance of majority report by Mr. MAYO of Foxcroft, and bill reported by minority of committee ordered printed. W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.