

Seventieth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 422

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Androscoggin Telephone Company.

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

Sect. I. L. W. Mason, Francis H. Cobb, J. H. DeCoster, 2 and Tillson Waterman, their associates, successors and as-3 signs are hereby created a corporation by the name of the 4 Androscoggin, Telephone Company, with all the powers, 5 rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties and obli-6 gations of similar corporations under the general laws of this 7 state.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to construct, 2 own, maintain and operate telephone line or lines anywhere 3 in the counties of Androscoggin and Oxford, in the state of 4 Maine, first having obtained consent of the several munici-5 palities, and said company shall have a right to locate and 6 construct its lines upon and along any public highway or 7 bridge in said town, but in such a manner as not to incom-8 mode or endanger the customary public use thereof.

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Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized and em-2 powered to connect its line or lines with those of any other 3 telephone company or corporation, or to sell or lease its line 4 or lines of telephone and property in whole or part, either 5 before or after completion, to any other telephone company 6 or corporation, as provided by law or upon such terms as 7 may be agreed by the contracting parties, which sale or lease 8 shall be binding upon the parties; or may purchase or lease 9 any other line or lines of telephone upon such terms and con-10 ditions as may be agreed by the parties thereto.

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

Sect. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be of 2 such amount as said corporation may, from time to time 3 determine to be necessary, but not exceeding the sum of 4 twenty thousand dollars, for the sole purpose of owning, leas-5 ing, constructing, maintaining and operating the line or lines 6 of telephone hereby authorized and contemplated. And the 7 said corporation may purchase, hold, lease, sell and convey 8 all real estate and personal property necessary for the pur-9 poses contemplated in this charter.

Sect. 6. Any one of the incorporators named in this act
2 may call the first meeting of the corporation by mailing a
3 written notice signed by himself, postage paid, to each of the
4 other corporators, seven days at least before the day of the
5 meeting, naming the time, place and purposes of such meet6 ing, and at such meeting a president, secretary, treasurer
7 and directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted, present amount
8 of capital stock fixed, and any corporate business transacted.
Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

MAJORITY REPORT.

The majority of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses to which was referred the bill, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Androscoggin Telephone Company" have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report that the same ought not to pass.

Per order,

MURCHIE, WHITEHOUSE,, JONES, MAYO, DEŁRING, LITTLE, KALER, RANDALL, BIRD.

MINORITY REPORT.

A minority of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses to which was referred the bill, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Androscoggin Telephone and Telegraph Company" have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report that the same ought to pass.

Per order,

F. O. BEAL,

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AUGUSTA, March 14, 1901.

Reports tabled, pending acceptance, by Mr. BEAL of Bangor, and both reports and bill ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.