

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Seventy-first Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 61

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to increase the Corporate Powers of the Newport Light
and Power Company.

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

Section 1. The organization of the Newport Light and
2 Power Company, a corporation organized under the general
3 laws of the State of Maine and having an established place
4 of business at Newport, Maine, is hereby ratified, approved
5 and confirmed, and said Newport Light and Power Company
6 is hereby authorized and empowered to carry on the business
7 of making, generating, selling, distributing and supplying
8 gas and electricity for lighting, heating, manufacturing or
9 mechanical purposes in said town of Newport, and in the
10 adjoining towns of Plymouth in the county of Penobscot, and

11 Detroit and Palmyra in the county of Somerset in said State,
12 with all the rights, privileges and powers and subject to all
13 the restrictions and liabilities by law incident to corporations
14 of a similar nature. Said Newport Light and Power Com-
15 pany is further authorized and empowered to purchase, erect,
16 manage and control saw, grist and lumber mills and factories
17 for the manufacture of woolen and cotton goods and such
18 other articles as may be incidental to the same or beneficial
19 to the corporation.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate
2 necessary and convenient for its purposes aforesaid, and is
3 also authorized and empowered to purchase, hold, own and
4 dispose of the capital stock and bonds in other corporations.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby empowered to set poles
2 and erect wires in and through the streets and ways of the
3 said towns of Newport, Plymouth, Detroit and Palmyra for
4 the purpose of furnishing electric lights for public and pri-
5 vate use in said towns, under such reasonable restrictions as
6 may be imposed by the municipal officers thereof, subject to
7 the general laws of the State regulating the erection of posts
8 and lines for the purposes of electricity; it is also empowered
9 to transmit electricity for lease or sale to such points in said
10 towns as may be feasible, in such manner as may be expedient,
11 and, subject to the general laws aforesaid, it may erect and
12 maintain all posts, wires and fixtures necessary therefor.
13 Said corporation shall have the right to lay gas pipes in any
14 of the public streets or highways in said towns of Newport,
15 Plymouth, Detroit and Palmyra; the permit of the municipal
16 officers of said towns having first been obtained in writing,
17 and to re-lay and repair the same, subject to such regulations
18 as the health and safety of the citizens and the security of
19 public travel may require, and as may be prescribed by the
20 authorities thereof.

Sect. 4. The said company shall be liable in all cases to
2 repay to said towns all sums of money that said towns may
3 be obliged to pay or any indictment or judgment recovered
4 against said towns occasioned by any obstruction or taking
5 up, or displacement of any way, highway, railroad or street
6 by said company in said towns, provided, however, that said
7 company shall have notice whenever such damages are
8 claimed by said towns, from the municipal officers and shall
9 be allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

Sect. 5. Said company shall not be allowed to obstruct or
2 impair the use of any public or private drain or sewer, but
3 may cross the same, being responsible to the owners or other
4 person for any injury occasioned thereby in an action on the
5 case.

Sect. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to issue its
2 bonds in such amounts and on such time as it may, from time
3 to time determine, not exceeding the amount of capital stock
4 subscribed for, in aid of the purposes specified in this act, and
5 to secure the same by a mortgage of its franchises and
6 property.

Sect. 7. The towns of Newport, Plymouth, Detroit or
2 Palmyra or any manufacturing or machine company having
3 a place of business in said towns, may take and hold stock
4 in said corporation, and contract with said corporation for
5 gas or electricity for light or power.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, February 5, 1903.

Reported by Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield, from Committee on the Judiciary,
and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*