

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Seventy-first Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 69

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Swan's Island Telephone and Tele-
graph Company.

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

Section 1. H. W. Joyce, H. W. Small and H. P. Jones,
2 their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a
3 body corporate by the name of the "Swan's Island Telephone
4 and Telegraph Company," with all the powers, rights and
5 privileges, and subject to all the duties and obligations
6 granted and prescribed by the general laws of this State
7 relating to corporations; with power by that name to sue and
8 be sued; to have a common seal and to establish any and all
9 by-laws and regulations for the management of their affairs
10 not repugnant to the laws of this State.

Sect. 2. Said corporation shall have the right to locate, 2 construct, maintain, operate, and own, lines of telephone and 3 telegraph from any point in the village of Bass Harbor, town 4 of Tremont, Hancock county, Maine, to Lopaus Point so 5 called in said Tremont, thence across Bluehill bay, so called, 6 to Burnt Point in Swan's Island in said county, thence to any 7 point in said Swan's Island.

Sect. 3. Said company shall have the right, within the 2 limits aforesaid, to locate, construct and maintain its line upon 3 and along any public way, bridge or private lands, but in such 4 manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary use 5 of such way or bridge. With the right to cut down trees, 6 remove obstacles when necessary, within the limits aforesaid, 7 except ornamental, fruit or shade trees, and with the power 8 to establish and collect tolls on said line, provided, that the 9 right to construct and maintain said lines shall be subject to 10 the provisions of chapter three hundred and seventy-eight, 11 Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and all 12 rights and powers granted by this act shall be exercised in 13 accordance with said chapter three hundred and seventy- 14 eight.

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 as for land taken for highways.

Section 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to connect 2 its line or lines with those of any other company, or to sell 3 or lease its line 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 of telephone or telegraph, upon such terms and condi- 8 tions as may be mutually agreed upon.

Sect. 6. The amount of capital stock shall be fixed by vote
2 of the corporation, but not to exceed eight thousand dollars,
3 and said corporation may purchase, hold, sell and convey real
4 estate and personal property necessary for the purposes con-
5 templated in this charter.

Sect. 7. Any one of the corporators named in this act, may
2 call the 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, sec-
6 retary, treasurer and directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted
7 and any corporate business transacted.

Sect. 8. This charter shall be null and void unless opera-
2 tions shall actually commence hereunder within two years
3 from date of the passage of this act.

Sect. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, February 5, 1903.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*