

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Seventy-first Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 360

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Ferguson Stream Improvement
Company.

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

Section 1. Micajah Hudson, Samuel M. Gile and Henry
2 Hudson their associates and successors be and are hereby,
3 created a body politic and corporate under the name and
4 style of The Ferguson Stream Improvement Company; and
5 by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend
6 to final judgment and execution both in law and equity and
7 may make and adopt all regulations and laws not repugnant
8 to the constitution and laws of the State of Maine; adopt a
9 common seal and may purchase and hold personal and real
10 estate sufficient for carrying on the business of said Ferguson
11 Stream Improvement Company; and may grant and raise

12 money by loan or assessment for the same. Said company
13 may erect and maintain a dam or dams with side booms on
14 said Ferguson Stream in the towns of Wellington and Cam-
15 bridge at such points or places as may be desirable for the
16 purpose of raising a head of water to facilitate the driving of
17 logs and lumber down said Ferguson Stream into Main
18 Stream, so called, and to raise a head of water to be held for
19 manufacturing purposes when not required in the driving of
20 logs or lumber. Said company for the purpose aforesaid
21 may remove rocks and other obstructions in said Ferguson
22 Stream and may take land and material for building said
23 dams and side dams and making said improvements by mak-
24 ing compensation to the owners thereof. Said company shall
25 have all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the
26 liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. The officers of said company shall be a clerk,
2 treasurer and a board of three directors to be chosen by bal-
3 lot and such other officers as may be deemed necessary who
4 may be appointed by said directors all of whom shall hold
5 their offices until the next annual meeting or until others are
6 chosen or appointed in their stead. The clerk, treasurer and
7 directors shall be sworn to faithfully perform all of their
8 duties. The treasurer shall give bond to the acceptance of
9 said directors. The directors shall at their first meeting elect
10 one of their number who shall be the president of said com-
11 pany. No person shall be eligible to the office of director
12 unless he is a member of said corporation.

Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive a
2 toll upon all logs and lumber which shall pass through and
3 over said dams and improvements of said company of twenty-
4 five cents for each thousand, board measure, woods scale, or
5 twelve and one half cents per cord and said corporation shall
6 have a lien on all logs and lumber which may pass over and

7 through any of its said dams and improvements for the pay-
8 ment of said tolls, but the logs of each particular mark shall
9 be holden only for the tolls of such mark, and if such toll is
10 not paid within twenty days after such logs or a major part
11 of them shall arrive at the place of sale or manufacture; said
12 corporation may seize such logs or lumber and sell at public
13 auction so many thereof as may be necessary to pay such toll,
14 costs and charges, notice of the time and place of such sale
15 being first given ten days prior to said sale in some news-
16 paper printed in Skownegan in the county of Somerset and
17 in some newspaper printed in the county of Piscataquis.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, March 13, 1903.

Reported by Mr. SHAW of Bath, from Committee on Interior Waters,
and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*