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SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Hastings Brook Improvement Company.

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

Section 1. F. M. Simpson, C. E. Oak, and Fred W. Scott, 2 their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created 3 a corporation by the name of the Hastings Brook Improve-4 ment Company, with all the rights, powers and privileges of 5 similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said company may erect and maintain dams with 2 suitable sluices in East Hastings brook above Big Falls, so 3 called, in Merrill plantation and township seven, range four, 4 and township seven, range five, in Aroostook county; and 5 may construct and maintain necessary side dams, booms, 6 abutments and other necessary appliances in said stream, 7 remove the rocks therefrom, widen, deepen and otherwise 8 improve the same for the purpose of facilitating the driving

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9 of logs and other lumber thereon; and for the above pur-10 pose said company may take necessary land and materials 11 for building such dams and making such improvements and 12 locating the same, and the damages for land and materials 13 so taken, if not agreed upon by the parties interested, shall 14 be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners 15 of the county where the land so taken is situate or the mate-16 rials used are found, in the same manner and under the same 17 conditions and limitations as are provided by law in case of 18 damages occasioned by laying out highways, and the amount 19 of damages so determined shall be paid by said company.

Sect. 3. Said company may demand and receive a toll of 2 thirty cents per thousand on all logs and lumber which may 3 pass through or over said dams and improvements, or any 4 portion thereof, excepting such as may be cut from the north-5 west quarter of township six, range four, (Merrill planta-6 tion), on which the toll shall be sixteen and one-half cents 7 per thousand feet, and said company shall have a lien on all 8 logs and lumber which may pass through or over any of its 9 dams or improvements for the payment of said tolls and the 10 costs and charges for enforcing same, which shall continue II for thirty days after such logs and lumber, or a major part 12 thereof, shall have arrived at their destination and after 13 demand of payment made upon the owner or person in charge 14 thereof. Said lien may be enforced by attachment in the 15 same manner as the general lien upon logs and lumber pro-16 vided in chapter ninety-three, Revised Statutes. The logs 17 of each particular mark shall be holden only for the tolls of 18 such mark.

Sect. 4. When said company shall have received from tolls 2 its outlay already made and to be made on said brook for all 3 dams, side dams, sluices, booms, abutments and other 4 improvements, and for the repairs made upon the same up to

5 that time, and six per cent interest thereon, then the tolls 6 herein provided shall be fixed at a sufficient amount to keep 7 said dams and other improvements in repair.

Sect. 5. Should the said Hastings Brook Improvement 2 Company, its successors and assigns for the full period of 3 two consecutive years fail to occupy, use and control said 4 dams, sluices and other improvements authorized by this act, 5 and shall abandon same during such period, then this char-6 ter and the rights under same shall cease and determine.

Sect. 6. The first meeting of said company shall be called 2 at Bangor, Maine, by a notice signed by any one of the cor-3 porators named in section one, setting forth the time, place 4 and purpose of the meeting, and such notice shall be mailed 5 to each of the other corporators, postage paid, seven days 6 at least before the day of such meeting.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

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House of Representatives, Augusta, March 3, 1905.

Reported by Mr. DAVIS from Committee on Interior Waters and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk