

SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 368

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Strong Lighting and Improvement Company.

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

Section I. Menzor A. Will, Fred H. Daggett, Philip D. 2 Stubbs, and Charles W. Waldron, their associates, succes-3 sors and assigns are hereby constituted a corporation by the 4 name of the Strong Lighting and Improvement Company, 5 with all the powers and subject to all the liabilities of cor-6 porations.

Sect. 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to 2 carry on the business of lighting by electricity or otherwise, 3 such public streets in the town of Strong, and such build-

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4 ings and places therein, public and private, as may be agreed 5 upon by said corporation and the owners or those having 6 control of such places to be lighted, and may furnish motive 7 power by electricity or otherwise within said town and may 8 build and operate manufactories and works for providing 9 and supplying electricity, light and power, and may lease, 10 purchase, hold, and sell real estate, and personal estate to 11 the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, and to con-12 struct, lay, maintain and operate lines of wires or other 13 material for the transmission of electricity or power, upon, 14 under, along and over any and all streets and ways with the 15 consent and under the direction of the municipal officers 16 of said town.

Sect. 3. Said company shall repay to any town, any sum 2 of money which such town may have been compelled to pay 3 on any judgment, for any damages caused by a defect or 4 want of repair in the streets thereof, due to the negligence 5 of said company, or any judgment for damages caused by 6 the neglect of said company in the erecting and maintaining 7 posts, wires or appurtenances connected with said business; 8 provided said company shall have notice in writing of any 9 suit wherein such damages are claimed, and shall be allowed 10 to defend the same at its own expense.

Sect. 4. Said company shall not be allowed to obstruct or 2 impair the use of any public or private drain or sewer, tele-3 graph or telephone wire, but may cross, or when necessary, 4 change the direction of any private wire or pipe, drain or 5 sewer in such a manner as not to obstruct or impair the use 6 thereof, being responsible to the owner or other person for 7 any injury occasioned thereby, in an action on the case.

Sect. 5. The capital stock of said company shall be ten 2 thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars 3 each, with the privilege of increasing said capital stock from 4 time to time as the stockholders may determine, to any sum 5 not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and said com-6 pany is hereby authorized to issue bonds, in such amount 7 not exceeding the amount of its capital stock subscribed for, 8 and upon such rates and time as it may determine, and secure 9 the same by a mortgage of its franchises and property.

Sect. 6. The first meeting may be called by either corpo-2 rator, giving five days' written notice, by mail, to his asso-3 ciates, stating the time and place thereof, or by publication 4 of said notice, at least once in a newspaper published in 5 Franklin county, said publication to be at least five days 6 before said meeting.

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

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House of Representatives,

Augusta, March 1, 1907.

Reported by Mr. STEARNS from Committee on Legal Affairs, and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.