

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 432

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to incorporate the Wells Telephone Company.

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

Section 1. George G. Hatch, Joseph D. Eaton, Freeman  
2 E. Rankin, John Rankin, George H. Littlefield, Joseph H.  
3 Littlefield and J. Warren Gordon, their associates and suc-  
4 cessors, are hereby created a corporation by the name of  
5 the Wells Telephone Company, with all the powers, rights  
6 and privileges, and subject to all the duties and obligations  
7 of similar corporations under the general laws of this state.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to con-  
2 struct, own, maintain and operate telephone line or lines  
3 anywhere in the towns of Wells, York and North Berwick,

4 in the county of York and State of Maine, having obtained  
5 consent of the several municipalities, and said company  
6 shall have a right to locate and construct its lines upon and  
7 along any public highway or bridge in said towns, but in  
8 such a manner as not to incommode or endanger the cus-  
9 tomary public use thereof.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized and em-  
2 powered to connect its line or lines with those of any other  
3 telephone company or corporation on such terms as may  
4 be agreed upon, or to sell or lease its line or lines of tele-  
5 phone and property in whole or part, either before or after  
6 completion, to any other telephone company or corporation,  
7 as provided by law or upon such terms as may be agreed  
8 by the contracting parties, which sale or lease shall be bind-  
9 ing upon the parties; or may purchase or lease any other  
10 line or lines of telephone upon such terms and conditions  
11 as may be agreed by the parties thereto.

Sect. 4. If the land of any individual or corporation is  
2 taken under this act, and the parties cannot agree on the  
3 damages occasioned thereby, they shall be estimated, secured  
4 and paid in the manner provided in case of land taken for  
5 railroads.

Sect. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be of  
2 such amount as said corporation may from time to time  
3 determine to be necessary, but not exceeding the sum of  
4 one hundred thousand dollars, for the sole purpose of own-  
5 ing, leasing, constructing, maintaining and operating the

6 line or lines of telephone hereby authorized and contem-  
7 plated. And the said corporation may purchase, hold, lease,  
8 sell and convey all real estate and personal property neces-  
9 sary for the purposes contemplated in this charter.

Sect. 6. Any one of the incorporators named in this act  
2 may call the first meeting of the corporation by mailing a  
3 written notice signed by himself, postage paid, to each of  
4 the other corporators, seven days at least before the day  
5 of the meeting, naming the time, place and purposes of such  
6 meeting, and at such meeting a president, secretary, treas-  
7 urer and directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted, present  
8 amount of capital stock fixed, and any corporate business  
9 transacted.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 8, 1907.

Reported by Mr. GOODWIN from Committee on Judiciary, and  
ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk*