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No. 278

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the Van Buren Light and Power Company.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Barton E. Kingman, Harry McLoughlin and 2 Edmund McLoughlin of New York, N. Y., Allen E. Ham-3 mond, Henry K. Bradbury, Abraham J. Dubay, John Cas-4 tonguay and Remi M. Cyr, of Van Buren, Maine, their asso-5 ciates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a body cor-6 porate by the name of the Van Buren Light and Power Com-7 pany, with all the powers, rights and privileges and subject 8 to all the duties and obligations conferred and imposed on 9 corporations by law, except as herein otherwise provided.

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Sect. 2. The purposes of said corporation are the making, 2 generating, selling, distributing and supplying electricity for 3 lighting, heating, manufacturing or mechanical and power 4 purposes in the town of Van Buren and Hamlin, with all of 5 the rights, privileges and powers and subject to all the re-6 strictions and liabilities by law incident to corporations of a 7 similar nature.

Sect. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be 2 fifty thousand dollars, and said corporation is hereby au-3 thorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding fifty 4 thousand dollars, payable at such times and bearing such 5 rate of interest as said corporation by vote may determine, 6 to accomplish the objects of its incorporation, and for the 7 purposes contemplated by this act, the same to be secured by 8 mortgage upon the franchise and property of said company.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby empowered to set 2 poles and extend wires and extend its lines in, upon, along, 3 over, across and under the streets and roads in the towns of 4 Van Buren and Hamlin for the purpose of furnishing elec-5 tric lights, for the public and private use in said towns under 6 such regulations and restrictions as may be established by 7 the municipal officers in either town, within their limits re-8 spectively, and subject to the general laws of the State regu-9 lating to such matters.

Sect. 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make 2 contracts with the towns of Van Buren and Hamlin, relative 3 to lighting the streets of said towns and for other public pur4 poses, corporation or corporations and individuals and with 5 the permission of the Legislature of New Brunswick, with 6 the Parish of St. Leonard or any village or municipal cor-7 poration or organization therein, and the inhabitants of said 8 parish, village or municipal corporations, for the purpose of 9 supplying them with electricity for light, heat and power, 10 anl said towns and said corporations and individuals are 11 hereby authorized to enter into such contracts with the Van 12 Buren Light and Power Company, the towns by their select-13 men, and other corporations by their president and directors, 14 or other officers.

Sect. 6. Said corporation shall not unnecessarily nor for 2 any too long period of time encumber the roads or streets 3 of the towns in which it is authorized to do business with 4 any of the materials or appliances used in constructing its 5 line. It shall not obstruct or in any way injure or remove 6 any water-pipe or sewer-pipe, public or private telegraph or 7 telephone pole or wire, but may cross, or when necessary 8 change the direction of any private wire or pipe or sewer in 9 such manner as not to impair the use thereof being respon-10 sible to the corporation, individual or individuals owning the 11 same for any injury occasioned thereby in an action on the 12 case.

Sect. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to purchase 2 or lease any real or personal property necessary or con-3 venient for the carrying on of its business of generating and 4 furnishing electric light and power and to make any and all

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5 contracts for the purchase of all such things as may be nec-6 essary or useful in connection with its plant; it is also au-7 thorized to contract with any corporation or corporations, 8 individual or individuals with or without the State for the 9 purchase of electric power or electricity for the accomplish-10 ing the objects and purposes contemplated by this act.

Sect. 8. The principal office of said corporation shall be 2 held in the town of Van Buren, in the county of Aroostook.

Sect. 9. The first meeting of said corporation may be 2 called by serving upon each corporator a written notice nam-3 ing the time and place of said meeting, by giving the same to 4 him in hand or mailing the same to him postage paid, seven 5 days before the day named therein for such meeting. At 6 said meeting all usual or necessary officers may be chosen 7 and by-laws adopted as said corporators shall deem neces-8 sary and proper.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Augusta, Feb. 22, 1909. Reported by Mr. MORSE from Committee on Legal Affairs and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON. Clerk.