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*W. C. HANSON, Secretary.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to amend the charter of the Mexico Water Company.

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

Section 1. Sections three, four and five of chapter 292 of  
2 the Public and Private Laws of Maine, nineteen hundred  
3 and nine, are hereby amended as follows:

Section three of chapter 292 of the Private and Special  
5 Laws of nineteen hundred and nine is amended by adding  
6 between the word "river" and the word "in" in the fourth  
7 line the words 'and from Swift river,' and also by changing  
8 the word "town" in the fourth line to the word 'towns,' and  
9 by adding after the word "Mexico" the words 'Roxbury  
10 and Byron,' so that said section as amended shall read as  
11 follows:

‘Sect. 3. Said corporation, for the purpose of its incor-  
13 poration, is hereby authorized to take, collect, store, divert,  
14 use and distribute the water from any brook, stream, lake or  
15 pond tributary to Swift river and from Swift river in the  
16 towns of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron.’

Sect. 2. Section four of chapter 292 of the Public and  
2 Private Laws of nineteen hundred and nine is amended by  
3 changing the word “town” where it appears in said chapter  
4 to the word ‘towns’ and by adding between the word “Mex-  
5 ico” and the word “and” in the third line the words ‘Rox-  
6 bury and Byron,’ so that said section as amended shall read  
7 as follows:

‘Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay  
9 down, in and through the streets and ways in said towns  
10 of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron, and to take up, replace and  
11 repair, all such pipes, aqueducts, conduits, hydrants and fix-  
12 tures as may be necessary for the purpose of its organiza-  
13 tion; to carry and lay any conduit, aqueduct and pipes under  
14 any water course, public or private way, or railroad or elec-  
15 tric railroad, in said town, in the manner prescribed by law,  
16 and to cross any sewer or drain, or, if necessary, to change  
17 its direction in such manner as not to obstruct the use there-  
18 of; and to take up any such roads and ways for the pur-  
19 pose of laying down pipes, conduits or aqueducts beneath  
20 the surface thereof, for placing manholes, hydrants or other  
21 fixtures, or for maintaining and replacing the same under  
22 such reasonable restrictions as may be imposed by the select-

23 men of said town. And said corporation shall be respon-  
24 sible for all damages to persons and property occasioned by  
25 the use of said streets and highways; and shall further be  
26 liable to pay to said towns all sums recovered against said  
27 towns for damages for obstructions caused by said corpo-  
28 ration.'

Sect. 3. Section five of chapter 292 of the Public and  
2 Private Laws of nineteen hundred and nine is amended by  
3 changing the word "town" in the third line to 'towns' and  
4 by adding between the word 'Mexico' and the word "neces-  
5 sary" in the third line of section five the words 'Roxbury  
6 and Byron,' so that said section as amended shall read as  
7 follows:

'Sect. 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to take  
9 and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands or other real  
10 estate within the towns of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron  
11 necessary for any of the purposes of its incorporation; and  
12 also for the protection of the water shed or any sources of  
13 supply of water which it may have, take or acquire under  
14 the authority of this charter. Said corporation shall not,  
15 under the provisions of this charter, take any real estate now  
16 owned by the town of Mexico, nor any water system, aque-  
17 duct or extension of the same now owned by any citizen of  
18 the town of Mexico, except by purchase. It may enter upon  
19 such lands, make surveys and locations, and shall file in the  
20 registry of deeds for the county of Oxford plans of such  
21 locations and lands, showing the property taken, and within

22 thirty days thereafter publish notice of such filing in some  
23 newspaper in said county, such publication to be continued  
24 three weeks successively. And with such plans said cor-  
25 poration may file a statement of the damages it is willing  
26 to pay for any property so taken, and if the amount finally  
27 awarded does not exceed that sum the corporation shall  
28 recover costs against such parties; otherwise such parties  
29 shall recover costs against said corporation.'