## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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#### SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

### SENATE

NO. 136

In Senate, Jan. 30, 1913.

Presented by Senator Stearns of Oxford, and on motion by same senator laid on the table for printing, pending reference to a committee.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

#### STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend chapter 292 of the Private and Special Laws of Maine, 1909, relating to the Mexico Water Company.

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

Section 1. Sections 3, 4, 5, and 7 of chapter 292 of the 2 Private and Special Laws of 1909, are hereby amended so 3 that same will read as follows:

'Sect. 3. Said corporation, for the purposes of its incor-5 poration, is hereby authorized to take, collect, store, divert, 6 use and distribute the water from any brook, stream, lake 7 or pond in the towns of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron.'

'Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay

o down, in and through the streets and ways in said towns 10 of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron, and to take up, replace 11 and repair, all such pipes, aqueducts, conduits, hydrants 12 and fixtures as may be necessary for the purposes of its or-13 ganization; to carry and lay any conduit, aqueduct and 14 pipes under any water course, public or private way, or 15 railroad or electric railroad, in said town, in the manner 16 prescribed by law, and to cross any sewer or drain, or, if 17 necessary, to change its direction in such manner as not to 18 obstruct the use thereof; and to take up any such roads 19 and ways for the purpose of laying down pipes, conduits 20 or aqueducts beneath the surface thereof, for placing man-21 holes, hydrants or other fixtures, or for maintaining and 22 replacing the same under such reasonable restrictions as 23 may be imposed by the selectmen of said towns. And said 24 corporation shall be responsible for all damages to persons 25 and property occasioned by the use of said streets and high-26 ways; and shall further be liable to pay to said towns all 27 sums recovered against said towns for damages for ob-28 structions caused by said corporation.'

'Sect. 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to take 30 and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands or other real 31 estate within the towns of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron 32 necessary for any of the purposes of its incorporation; and 33 also for the protection of the water shed or any sources of 34 supply of water which it may have, take or acquire under 35 the authority of this charter. Said corporations shall not,

36 under the provisions of this charter, take any real estate 37 now owned by the town of Mexico, nor any water system, 38 aqueduct or extension of the same now owned by any citi-39 zen of the town of Mexico, except by purchase. It may 40 enter upon such lands, make surveys and locations, and 41 shall file in the registry of deeds for the county of Oxford 42 plans of such locations and lands, showing the property 43 taken, and within thirty days thereafter publish notice of 44 such filing in some newspaper in said county, such pub-45 lication to be continued three weeks successively. 46 with such plans said corporation may file a statement of 47 the damages it is willing to pay for any property so taken 48 and if the amount finally awarded does not exceed that 49 sum the corporation shall recover costs against such parties; 50 otherwise such parties shall recover costs against said cor-51 poration.'

'Sect. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make 53 contracts with other corporations, individuals, the towns of 54 Mexico, Roxbury and Byron, and any village corporation 55 in the town of Mexico, for the purpose of supplying water 56 as contemplated by the purposes of this organization. And 57 said towns of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron by their select-58 men, and any village corporation by its assessors, is hereby 59 authorized to enter into contracts with said corporation, 60 for the supply of water for public uses, on such terms and 61 for such time as the parties may agree, which, when made, 62 shall be legally binding upon all the parties thereto.'