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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 172

House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1917.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Murphy of Calais.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to incorporate the St. Croix Water Company.

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

Section 1. Josiah S. Maxcy, Weston Lewis, and Samuel

- 2 C. Manley, their associates, successors, and assigns, are
- 3 hereby made a body corporate by the name of the St. Croix
- 4 Water Company.

Sect. 2. The purpose of said corporation shall be to dis-

- 2 tribute and supply water for domestic and municipal uses
- 3 in the city of Calais, Maine, and also in the towns of Mill-
- 4 town and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, so far as author-
- 5 ized.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may take and hold by purchase 2 such real and personal estate as is necessary for the pur-3 poses aforesaid, and is expressly authorized to purchase the 4 plants, properties, rights, privileges, appurtenances, leases, 5 and leasehold interests of the Maine Water Company, the 6 Calais Water Company, and the St. Croix Electric Light 7 and Water Company; and said Maine Water Company and 8 Calais Water Company are hereby authorized to sell, assign, 9 transfer, and convey their plants, properties, rights, privilo leges, appurtenances, leases, and leasehold interests to said St. Croix Water Company.

Sect. 4. Said company is hereby authorized to lay in and 2 through the streets and highways of said city of Calais, 3 and across the St. Croix river as far as the boundary of 4 the state, and to take up, repair, and replace all such pipes, 5 aqueducts, and fixtures as may be necessary for the pur-6 poses above mentioned; and whenever said company shall 7 lay any pipes or aqueducts in any street or highway, it shall 8 cause the same to be done with as little obstruction as pos-9 sible to the public travel, and shall at its own expense, 10 without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavement 11 removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.

Sect. 5. Said corporation is authorized to procure a sup-2 ply of water in the town of St. Stephen, and to contract 3 therefor with said town of St. Stephen; and also to con-4 tract with said town, or the inhabitants thereof, for pump-5 ing water for said town; and to arrange all the terms and 6 provisions in regard to such supply of water and pumping 7 as may be agreed upon between said company and said 8 town of St. Stephen, or the inhabitants thereof, subject to 9 the approval of the Public Utilities Commission of Maine, 10 and to similar approval by the Board of Commissioners of 11 Public Utilities of New Brunswick, provided that all necessary legislative authority for the action contemplated by this 13 act be granted by New Brunswick.

Sect. 6. The capital stock of said corporation shall not 2 exceed two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) dollars, di-3 vided into shares of one hundred (100) dollars each, of 4 such classes as the shareholders may determine; and it may 5 issue bonds for such amounts as may be required and se-6 cure said bonds by mortgages upon the property and fran-7 chises of the company, subject to the approval of the Pub-8 lic Utilities Commission of Maine, and of the Board of 9 Commissioners of Public Utilities of New Brunswick.

Sect. 7. Section four (4) of this act shall be inoperative, 2 null and void, unless and until said company shall acquire 3 the property specified in section three (3).