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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Blaisdell of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN Act to Incorporate the Union River Railway Company.

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

Sec. 1. Corporators; name, powers. James Q. Gulnac of

- 2 Bangor, Maine, Henry Patton of Renselaer, New York,
- 3 Harvey Williams of Great Pond Plantation, Maine, John
- 4 Whitcomb and John J. Whitney, both of Ellsworth, Maine,
- 5 C. Carroll Blaisdell of Franklin, Maine, and Isaiah K.
- 6 Stetson, Charles H. Bartlett, Allan W. McLean and Donald
- 7 F. Snow, all of said Bangor, and their associates, successors
- 8 and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate by the name
- 9 of Union River Railway Company, with all the powers,
- 10 rights, and privileges, and subject to all the duties, restric-

11 tions, and obligations provided in the general laws respecting
12 railroads, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Authorized to construct a railroad; location. 2 Subject to the provisions of chapter fifty-six, section six, of 3 the revised statutes, which section shall be complied with as 4 far as applicable, said corporation is authorized to locate, 5 construct, maintain and operate a railroad of standard gauge, 6 about thirty-five miles in length, for the transportation of 7 freight and forest products only, commencing at and con-8 necting with the Maine Central Railroad at some convenient 9 point in the town of Franklin, in the County of Hancock and 10 extending in a northerly direction by the most feasible route 11 about thirty-five miles to some point in Plantation number 12 thirty-three also called Great Pond in Hancock County and 13 passing through the towns of Franklin and Eastbrook, 14 Plantation number twenty-one and Townships number 15 twenty-two, twenty-eight, thirty-four, and thirty-three, all in 16 the Middle Division, so called, Hancock County; providing, 17 however, that if found necessary or convenient, to extend 18 the railroad to tide water, said corporation is authorized to 19 extend its road five miles, more or less, to some suitable 20 point on the east side of Sullivan River or Frenchman's Bay.

Sec. 3. Motive Power; other rights conferred. Said cor2 poration is authorized and empowered to operate its railroad
3 by steam, electricity, or any other motive power and to main4 tain a telephone or telegraph line along its right of way
5 solely for its own use. Said corporation is hereby granted

6 the right to purchase and hold water privileges and other 7 real estate for the purposes of erecting and maintaining 8 power houses for generating electricity or other motive 9 power for its own use; provided that said corporation shall 10 pay for such water privileges and other real estate, such 11 prices as it and the owners thereof may mutually agree upon.

- Sec. 4. Capital stock. The capital stock of said corporation 2 shall be fixed at the first meeting of said corporation, and 3 shall not be less than twenty-five thousand dollars nor more 4 than five hundred thousand dollars and shall be divided into 5 shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each.
- Sec. 5. Limitation of charter rights. Within two years 2 from the time this act becomes a law, said corporation shall 3 comply with the provisions of chapter fifty-six, sections six, 4 seven and eight of the revised statutes; and if it does not, 5 within three years from the time this act becomes a law, 6 begin construction of its road and expend thereon ten per 7 cent of its capital, its corporate existence and power shall 8 cease.
- Sec. 6. First meeting of corporation. The first meeting 2 of said corporation may be called by any one of the cor-3 porators above named by notice thereof in writing signed by 4 said corporator, and given in hand or mailed to each of the 5 other corporators, at least seven days before said meeting 6 and any corporator may act at such meeting by written 7 proxy.

Sec. 7. Chapter ninety-three of the private and special laws 2 of nineteen hundred and twenty-five is hereby repealed, other 3 existing statutes not effected; rights conferred subject to 4 provisions of R. S., c. 55. Nothing herein contained is 5 intended to repeal or shall be construed as repealing the 6 whole or any part of any existing statute, except said 7 chapter ninety-three of the private and special laws of nine-8 teen hundred and twenty-five. And all the rights and 9 duties herein mentioned shall be exercised and performed 10 in accordance with all the applicable provisions of chapter 11 fifty-five of the revised statutes.