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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-NINE

AN ACT to Incorporate the Union River Railway Company.

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

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

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10 privileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions, and 11 obligations provided in the general laws respecting railroads, 12 not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Sect. 2. Subject to the provisions of chapter fifty-six, 2 section six, of the revised statutes, which section shall be 3 complied with as far as applicable, said corporation is au-4 thorized to locate, construct, maintain and operate a rail-5 road of standard gauge, about thirty-five miles in length, 6 for the transportation of freight and forest products only, 7 commencing at and connecting with the Maine Central Rail-8 road at some convenient point in the town of Franklin, in 9 the county of Hancock, and extending in a northerly direc-10 tion by the most feasible route about thirty-five miles to 11 some point in plantation number thirty-three also called 12 Great Pond in Hancock county and passing through the 13 towns of Franklin and Eastbrook, plantation number twen-14 ty-one and townships number twenty-two, twenty-eight. 15 thirty-four and thirty-three, all in the Middle Division, 16 Hancock county; providing, however, that if found neces-17 sary or convenient, to extend the railroad to tide water, 18 said corporation is authorized to extend its road five miles, 19 more or less, to some suitable point on the east side of 20 Sullivan river or Frenchman's bay; or commencing at some 21 convenient point in that part of Ellsworth called Ellsworth 22 Falls and passing through township number eight, the towns 23 of Waltham and Eastbrook and plantation number twenty-24 one and townships number twenty-two, twenty-eight, thirty-

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25 four and thirty-three, all in the Middle Division, Hancock 26 county; or commencing at some convenient point in that 27 part of the town of Hancock known as Washington Junc-28 tion and passing through township number eight and the 29 towns of Waltham and Eastbrook and plantation number 30 twenty-one and townships number twenty-two, twenty-31 eight, thirty-four and thirty-three, all in the Middle Division, 32 Hancock county.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is authorized and empowered 2 to operate its railroad by steam, electricity, or any other 3 motive power and to maintain a telephone or telegraph 4 line along its right of way solely for its own use. Said 5 corporation is hereby granted the right to purchase and hold 6 water privileges and other real estate for the purposes of 7 erecting and maintaining power houses for generating elec-8 tricity or other motive power for its own use; provided that 9 said corporation shall pay for such water privileges and 10 other real estate, such prices as it and the owners thereof 11 may mutually agree upon.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall be 2 fixed at the first meeting of said corporation, and shall not 3 be less than twenty-five thousand dollars nor more than 4 five hundred thousand dollars and shall be divided into 5 shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each.

Sect. 5. Within two years from the time this act becomes 2 a law, said corporation shall comply with the provisions of 3 chapter fifty-six, sections six, seven and eight of the re-

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4 vised statutes; and if it does not, within three years from 5 the time this act becomes a law, begin construction of its 6 road and expend thereon ten per cent of its capital, its cor-7 porate existence and power shall cease.

Sect. 6. The first meeting of said corporation may be 2 called by any one of the corporators above named by notice 3 thereof in writing signed by said corporator, and given in 4 hand or mailed to each of the other corporators, at least 5 seven days before said meeting and any corporator may 6 act at such meeting by written proxy.

Sect. 7. Nothing herein contained is intended to repeal 2 or shall be construed as repealing the whole or any part of 3 any existing statute. And all the rights and duties herein 4 mentioned shall be exercised and performed in accordance 5 with all the applicable provisions of chapter fifty-five of the 6 revised statutes.