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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE,

AT THEIR SESSIONS,

HELD IN

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CHAPTER LIX.

AN ACT to incorporate the proprietors of Sullivan Bridge.

Persons incor-
porated.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled*, That John Sargent with his associates, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic by the name of the Proprietors of Sullivan Bridge, for the purpose of building a bridge over an arm of the sea near Sullivan's Ferry; with power to sue and be sued; to have a common seal, and to change the same; to make any by-laws for the management of their affairs not repugnant to the laws of this State; and may enjoy all the powers and privileges incident and belonging to similar corporations.

Authorised to
erect a bridge.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the said corporation, be, and hereby is authorised and empowered to erect a bridge over said arm of the sea, at or near the Salt-water Falls so called, in the town of Sullivan, and the right of building and maintaining a bridge across said arm of the sea is hereby fully granted to said corporation; and the said bridge shall be built of good and durable materials, and well covered with plank or timber suitable for such a bridge with sufficient rails on each side for the safety of passengers.

Bridge to have
a draw 24 feet
wide for vessels
to pass.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That a draw or hoist in said bridge shall be constructed of the width of twenty-four feet, with piers or wharves for vessels to pass conveniently; and the said proprietors shall cause the same to be hoisted or opened for the accommodation of all such vessels as may have occasion to pass through the same free of expense and without unnecessary delay; and the said bridge shall be so constructed that open boats and gondolas can conveniently pass under said bridge.

To be so built
that boats may
pass under.

Toll granted.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That a toll be, and hereby is granted and established for the sole benefit of the said corporation, according to the following rates to wit: for each foot person, twelve and a half cents; for each person and horse, thirty-five cents; for each chaise, sleigh or other carriage of pleasure drawn by one horse, fifty cents; for each coach, chariot, sleigh, phaeton, or other carriage of pleasure drawn by two horses, eighty cents; for each coach, sleigh or other pleasure carriage drawn by four horses, one dollar: for each sled, sleigh, cart, or other carriage of burthen drawn by one beast, forty cents; for each cart, waggon, sleigh or sled drawn by two beasts, seventy cents; and for each additional beast, fifteen cents; for neat cattle or horses, exclusive of those rode upon, or in teams or carriages, sixteen cents; for sheep or swine, three cents each; and to each team one person and no more shall be allowed as a driver, to pass free of toll. And

Rates.

at all times when the toll gatherer shall not attend his duty the gate shall be left open; and the toll shall commence on the day of opening the bridge for passengers, and shall continue for the benefit of the corporation forever. *Provided*, That after the term of twenty years the rates of toll established by this act shall be subject to be altered by law; and the proprietors aforesaid shall erect, and at all times keep at the place where the toll is collected, exposed to view, a sign or board with the rates of toll fairly and legibly written thereon.

The gate to be left open when the toll gatherer is absent.

Toll may be altered after 20 years.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That unless said bridge shall be erected and finished, within the term of five years from the passing of this act, then this grant shall be void.

Bridge to be built in 5 years.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That John Sargent be, and he hereby is authorised to fix the time and place of holding the first meeting of said corporation and to notify the same.

First meeting.

[*This Act passed March 8, 1821.*]

CHAPTER LX.

AN ACT to incorporate the Kennebunk Literary and Moral Society.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled*, That Edward E. Bourne, John, Lillie, John Skeelee, Joseph Green Moody, Benley Smart, Enos Hoag, Moses Varney, Edward Greenough, Charles Hayes, John Frost and Israel W. Bourne, with their associates, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the Kennebunk Literary and Moral Society; with power to make such contracts, and to establish such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the promotion of the objects of such Society; and by that name may sue and be sued; take, hold and possess real or personal estate, not exceeding three thousand dollars, and may have a common seal, and change the same; and may do or perform any other acts for the promotion of the interests of said Society; *Provided*, such acts be not contrary to the laws of this State.

Persons incorporated.

May hold property not exceeding 3000 dollars

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That said society shall hold their meetings at such times and places within the limits of the town of Kennebunk, as may be specified in the by-laws instituted for its government, or by the votes of the members thereof, and that the library now or hereafter to be collected shall be established and remain in said town forever.

Meetings to be holden in Kennebunk.