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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE,

AT THEIR SESSIONS,

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CHAPTER LXIX

AN ACT to incorporate the Proprietors of Ticonic Bridge.

Persons incor-
porated.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled,* That Nathaniel Gilman, Asa Redington, Abijah Smith, Hall Chase, Nehemiah Getchel, Jediah Morrell, James Hasty, Simeon Matthews, Moses Appleton, James Stackpole, jun. and Johnson Williams, with their associates, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic by the name of the Proprietors of the Ticonic Bridge, and for the purpose of erecting and keeping in repair a bridge over the Kennebec river; 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; and may at any meeting choose a clerk who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of his office and any other officers they may deem necessary for managing the business of said corporation, by a vote of the majority of the members present, allowing one vote to each share: *Provided,* No proprietor shall be entitled to more than ten votes.

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than ten votes.

Location of the
Bridge.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said bridge shall be erected and built over Kennebec river at the foot of Ticonic Falls, in the towns of Waterville and Winslow, of good and durable materials and well covered with plank or timber suitable for such a bridge and with sufficient rails on each side for the safety of passengers.

Toll granted.

Rates of toll.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That a toll be, and hereby is granted for the sole benefit of said corporation according to the rates following: viz. for each foot passenger, two cents; one person and horse, twelve and one half cents; for a single horse cart or waggon, sled or sleigh, sixteen cents; for each wheelbarrow or hand cart and person five cents; for each team, including cart or sleigh drawn by more than one beast, and not exceeding four beasts, twenty cents; for each additional beast above four, four cents each; for any single horse and chaise, chair, or sulkey, twenty five cents; for each coach, chariot, phaeton, or curricule, thirty seven cents; for neat cattle or horses, exclusive of those rode on, or in teams or carriages, three cents each; for sheep and swine, one cent each; and in all cases the same toll shall be paid for all carriages passing said bridge, whether the same be loaded or not; and to each team one person and no more shall be allowed as a driver to pass free of toll; and said toll shall commence at the day of the first opening of the said bridge

To be continued
for thirty years.

for passengers, and shall so continue for and during the term of thirty years from said day ; and after the expiration of that term, the said toll shall be subject to be regulated or wholly discontinued by the Legislature : *Provided*, Said proprietors shall at all times keep the said bridge in good, safe, and passable repair during the term aforesaid : *Provided also*, That all persons going to, or returning from military duty, and all persons inhabitants of the towns of Waterville and Winslow, going to or returning from public religious worship on the sabbath day, shall be permitted to pass said bridge free of toll.

And then may be altered or discontinued.

Certain persons to go toll free..

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That at the place where the toll shall be collected, there shall be erected by said corporation, and constantly exposed to open view, a board or sign upon which shall be written in large or capital letters the rates of toll, and at all times when the toll gatherer shall not attend to his duty at said bridge, the gate or gates shall be left open and the same shall be free of toll.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*; That if said corporation shall neglect or refuse for the term of four years from the passing of this act to build and complete said bridge, then this act shall be void and of no effect.

Four years allowed for building the bridge.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That any three of the proprietors before named may, by posting up notifications in the towns of Waterville and Winslow, notify and call a meeting of said proprietors to be holden at Waterville, at such convenient time and place as shall be expressed in said notification, ten days at least before the time of meeting.

First meeting..

[*This Act passed March 15, 1821.*]

CHAPTER LXX.

AN ACT to authorize George Reid to build a Wing Dam on Damascotta River.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That George Reid of Nobleborough, in the county of Lincoln, his heirs and assigns, be, and they are hereby authorized to build and support a wing dam on the west side of Damascotta River, in the town of Newcastle, at the head of the lower falls on said river, and adjoining land now owned by him, beginning not less than two nor more than five rods from the upper pitch of said falls, and extending into and up said river not more than fifty feet on a right angle from low-water mark, for the purpose of working such mills and other machinery as he or

Location of the dam.