

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS SESSION, JANUARY, 1822.

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PORTLAND :

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1822.

shall appropriate the same agreeably to the intention of the donors, grantors or devisors respectively.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That said trustees shall be responsible to the town of Lovell for the faithful discharge of their duty, and liable to pay all damages occasioned by their misconduct or negligence, to be recovered by said town by action of the case, in any Court competent to try the same, and the damage so recovered shall be added to said funds respectively. Trustees responsible to the town.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this act may be enlarged, restrained, or repealed, at the pleasure of the Legislature. Powers granted may be altered, &c.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That Stephen Heald, be, and he hereby is authorized to call the first meeting of the corporation, at such time and place, as he may direct, by notifying the trustees of the time and place of meeting. First meeting.

[This Act passed February 6, 1822.]

CHAPTER CXXIX.

AN ACT to incorporate the Proprietors of the Centre Meeting House, in Farmington.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That Solomon Adams, Joseph Fairbanks, Enoch Craig, Joseph Titcomb, Nathan Cutler, Edward Butler, S. Belcher, Stephen Titcomb, Jabez Gay, Reuben Butterfield, Silvanus Davis, Samuel Bullen, Moses Butterfield, John Holley, James Norton, Ezra Thomas, Rufus Corbett, Elisha Gay, Daniel Stanley, Francis Butler, Henry Stewart, Clifford Belcher, Joshua Bullen, Thomas Wendell, George W. Norton, Robert Morrison and James Ridgeway, Jun. their associates and assigns, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic by the name of the proprietors of the Centre Meeting-House in Farmington; and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be im- Persons incorporated. Powers, &c.

pleaded, defend and be defended, in all causes in which they have or may have any concern.

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SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the land heretofore conveyed to David Moors, treasurer of said proprietors and now deceased, and his successors in that office, on which the meeting-house aforesaid stands, be, and hereby is confirmed to such treasurer as said proprietors shall hereafter choose, for the use and benefit of said proprietors, agreeably to the intention of the original grant; and the treasurer so hereafter to be chosen shall be to all intents and purposes the successor of said Moors.

Officers may
be chosen &c.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That said proprietors shall have power to choose from among them a clerk, treasurer, collector, assessors, and all such other officers as may be necessary; to remove them and fill vacancies when occasion may require; and also to raise money for the purpose of repairing said meeting-house, and a proper improvement of said land, and for other incidental expenses; and to expend the same according to the vote of said corporation, and all money which shall be raised as aforesaid, shall by said assessors be assessed on the several proprietors of pews in said meeting-house according to the relative value of the respective pews they may own therein, as established by said proprietors; and the private property of each proprietor shall be holden to pay all taxes so assessed, in the same manner as it would

Money may
be raised.

be holden to pay state, county and other taxes; and the said collector is hereby empowered to collect all taxes committed to him for that purpose by the assessors in the same manner as collectors of towns; and he is to observe the same laws provided for the collection of state, county and town taxes.

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be assessed
and collected.

Collector em-
powered.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That Nathan Cutler, be, and hereby is authorized to call the first meeting of said proprietors under this act, for the purpose of choosing the officers of said proprietors, and for any other purposes authorized by this act, by posting up a notice at said meeting-house, twenty days prior to the time of said meeting; at which meeting said proprietors may agree upon the method of call-

First meeting.

ing future meetings, and what number of them shall be a quorum to transact the business.

[This Act passed February 6, 1822.]

CHAPTER CXXX.

AN ACT to regulate the taking of Fish in Dyer's River.

SECT. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That the towns of New-Castle and Jefferson, be, and they are hereby respectively empowered, at their annual town meetings, in the month of March or April in each year, to choose a committee of not more than seven nor less than three persons in each town, who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duty; and it shall be their duty to cause the natural course of Dyer's river in their respective towns, to be kept open and free, for the passage of Salmon, Shad and Alewives up said river, from the fifth day of May to the twenty-fifth day of June, in each year; and they shall have power to remove all obstructions which they may find in said river, and to pass over the lands of any person through or by which said river runs, in the discharge of their said duty, without being considered trespassers. And any person, hindering or molesting said committee, or either of them, in the discharge of their or his duty in said office, or who shall obstruct any passage way in said river, during the term aforesaid, he or they so offending, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty dollars nor less than one dollar: *Provided nevertheless*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to give the said committee power to injure the proprietors of any lands, mills, or water works, further than is necessary for a good and sufficient passageway for said fish to pass up and down said river.

Towns of New-Castle, and Jefferson empowered to choose a committee;

their duties &c.

Penalty for molesting the committee &c

Proviso.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the inhabitants of said towns, respectively, are hereby authorized and empowered, to take said fish within the limits, to be fixed, by the inhabitants, may take fish on certain days, to be fixed,