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# PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

### SIXTH LEGISLATURE,

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such other officers, as may be deemed necessary ; who shall hold their offices subject to the provisions of the by-laws : And at all meetings of the proprietors, each share in said corporation, shall be entitled to one vote, and absent members may vote by proxy : *Provided however*, That no member shall, in his own right, be entitled to more than thirty votes.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 13, 1826.*]

## CHAPTER CCCXCI.

AN ACT to incorporate the Proprietors of Ferry-Point Bridge.

**SECT. 1.** *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That Joseph Whitney, Neal D. Shaw and Jacob Lord, their associates and successors, be, and they hereby are made a corporation, by the name of the Proprietors of Ferry-Point Bridge ; and by that name may prosecute and defend suits at law ; may have and use a common seal ; may make any by-laws, for the management of their concerns, not repugnant to the laws of the State, and may choose a Clerk, Treasurer and any other officers, proper for the management of their corporate business, by a majority of voters present, allowing one vote to each share, provided, that no individual shall be entitled to more than ten votes on his shares.

**SECT. 2.** *Be it further enacted*, That said Bridge shall be built across the river St. Croix, at Calais, from Ferry-point, so called, over the salt water falls, above the mills, to the centre of said river ; and said Bridge shall be made of good materials, and of suitable height from the water, of the width of twenty-four feet, well covered with plank or timber, and with sufficient rails on each side, for the safety of passengers. And said Bridge shall be so constructed as to leave passage-ways for timber and mill logs, and the passage of boats, at least thirty feet wide.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That a toll Toll established be, and hereby is, granted, for the benefit of said corporation, according to the following rates, to wit: for each foot passenger, one cent; one person and a horse, three cents; single horse and cart, horse and sleigh, horse and chaise, or waggon, or any such vehicle, with one horse, six cents; each team, including cart, waggon, sled or sleigh, drawn by two oxen, twelve and a half cents; and for every additional beast, one cent; four wheeled carriages, with two horses, seventeen cents; and for every additional horse, three cents; neat cattle, and beasts of burden, exclusive of those rode upon or in carriages, two cents each; and to each team, one person only, shall be allowed as driver to pass free of toll. And at all times when the toll gatherer shall not attend his duty at the said Bridge, the gate or gates shall be left open; and the toll shall commence on the day of the first opening of said Bridge for passengers, and may be collected in such manner, as may be prescribed by said corporation; and at the place where said tolls are collected, the rates of toll, and all others which may be hereafter granted, shall be fairly and legibly printed in large or capital letters, and kept constantly exposed to the view of passengers: *Provided however*, That after the term of twenty years from the commencement of taking such toll, the rate of toll shall be subject to the further regulation of the Legislature.

Gates to be left open, when the gatherer neglects his duty;

Toll, when to commence.

Rates to be exposed to view.

Toll may be altered.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That if the said corporation shall neglect or refuse, for the space of two years from the passing of this Act, to build or complete said Bridge, then this Act shall be void.

Act to be void, unless the Bridge be built within a certain time.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That either of the persons named in this Act may call the first meeting of said corporation, to be held at Calais aforesaid, by posting notifications thereof, in two or more public places in said town, seven days at least, before the time of said meeting.

First meeting, how called, &c.

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