

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**PRIVATE AND SPECIAL**

**A C T S**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE,**

PASSED BY THE

**NINTH LEGISLATURE,**

AT ITS

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one year, by paying the purchaser or his assignee the sum for which it was sold, with twelve per cent. interest thereon; deducting the rents and profits over and above the repairs and taxes.

SECT. 9. *Be it further enacted,* That any three of the persons named in the first section, may call the first meeting of said corporation, by publishing notice thereof in the newspapers printed in said Augusta.

First meeting how called.

SECT. 10. *Be it further enacted,* That the powers granted by this Act may be enlarged, restrained or annulled at the pleasure of the Legislature.

Powers herein granted subject to the pleasure of the Legislature.



## CHAP. 36.

AN ACT to authorize towns in the County of Kennebec to associate together to build an Alms-house for the support of their Poor.

Approved February 20, 1829.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That the towns of Hallowell, China and Windsor, in the county of Kennebec, or any two of them, together with such other towns in said county as may, within two years from the passing of this Act, in legal town meeting, vote to unite with them, be, and hereby are authorized to associate together, for the purpose of purchasing a farm and erecting an Alms-house for the support and employment of their poor.

Towns associated.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the towns which shall associate as aforesaid, are hereby authorized to purchase and take by deed, and hold so much land and build such an Alms-house and other buildings, as may be necessary to carry into effect the object of their association; and the expense of such farm and Alms-house and other buildings, and of the support and maintenance of

Authorized to purchase real estate.

such poor as may be sent to the same, shall be apportioned upon and borne by the towns associated for the purposes aforesaid, according to their respective valuations in the State tax.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the towns associated, as aforesaid, may, in the month of March or April annually, choose their several agents to act in their behalf in all things relating to said Alms-house and farm, and in all contracts respecting the same; which contracts, when made with the concurrence of a majority of the towns associated, acting by their agents, shall be binding upon all the associated towns. And if the office of an agent for any town shall become vacant, it shall be lawful for such town, at any time in the course of the year, to fill such vacancy: *Provided however,* That no town, in any meeting of such agents, shall be entitled to more than one vote.

May choose agents.

Contracts made, &c. by a majority of the agents, binding upon all the towns associated.

Vacancies.

No town entitled to more than one vote.

Agents may make by-laws, &c.

Towns refusing to pay their proportion of expense, proceeding in case of.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That the towns, so associated, may, by their agents, make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be thought needful for the management of said Alms-house and farm, and for the support, employment and discipline of the poor committed to the same, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State. And the said associated towns, respectively, may remove such poor persons, as shall become chargeable therein, to the said Alms-house, at the sole expense of the town removing such poor, and may, by their agents, appoint a superintendant, or master of their Alms-house and such other officers as may be found necessary. And any one of the associated towns refusing to pay its just proportion of any expense, incurred in carrying the objects of this association into effect, whenever the same shall have been ascertained and made known to the Selectmen of such town, by the master of said Alms-house, under the direction of the agents of a majority of the said towns, shall be liable to an action for the recovery thereof, in any Court proper to try the

same. And the said towns, in their associate capacity, shall be capable of bringing actions in the name of the master of said Alms-house, and of being sued; and due notice, in any suit against such associated towns, served upon the master of said Alms-house, shall be held to be good and sufficient.

Actions to be in the name of the master.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That Samuel Moody of Hallowell, is hereby authorized to call the first meeting of the agents of the towns that may associate under the provisions of this Act, by giving notice of the time and place of such meeting, in writing, to the agents of the said towns duly elected, and also by publication in a newspaper printed in Hallowell, in said county, at least twenty days before the day appointed for such meeting.

First meeting.

## CHAP. 37.

AN ACT to establish the Kennebec Ferry Company.

Approved February 20, 1829.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That Robert H. Gardiner, Edward Swan, Rufus Gay, William Stevens, second, Sanford Kingsbury, George Evans, Parker Sheldon, their associates and successors be, and hereby are constituted a body politic, by the name of the Kennebec Ferry Company; with power, by that name, to sue and be sued; to have and use a common seal, and to change the same at pleasure; to ordain, establish and put in execution any by-laws and regulations for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of this State; and to exercise and enjoy all the powers and privileges incident to similar corporate bodies.

Persons incorporated.