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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

NINTH LEGISLATURE,

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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.

Authorized to establish a ferry with horse or steamboats

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said corporation be, and hereby is authorized to establish, set up and maintain a Ferry across the Kennebec River, between Gardiner and Pittston, with a boat or boats to be propelled by horse or steam power, sufficient for transporting passengers and travellers, with their horses, carriages, carts, teams and cattle; and with such other boats as may be useful and convenient for passing said river in the night.

Rates of toll.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That a toll be, and hereby is granted and established for the use of said corporation, according to the rates following, viz. for each foot passenger, two cents; each person with a wheel-barrow, hand-cart, or other like vehicle, three cents; one person and horse, six and a quarter cents; one horse and wagon or cart, ten cents; two horses and wagon or cart, twelve and a half cents; each team, including cart, wagon, or sled, drawn by not more than four oxen, twelve and a half cents; and two cents for each additional beast; one horse and chair, sulkey or chaise, twelve and a half cents; each coach, chariot, phaeton, curricule or barouche, drawn by two horses, eighteen and three quarters cents, and for each additional horse, two cents; each stage coach drawn by four horses, twenty cents; neat cattle, and beasts of burden, exclusive of those rode upon or in carriages or teams, two cents each; sheep and swine, at the rate of six cents per dozen.

Company to provide suitable boats and attendants.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That said corporation shall keep, at all times at the Ferry established as aforesaid, a good boat or boats, in good repair, suitable and convenient for the accommodation of travellers, their horses, carriages, carts, teams and cattle, and cause ready and due attendance on passengers, to be given on all occasions; and for every neglect of such attendance, said corporation shall forfeit and pay one dollar; and for every neglect in keeping such a boat, twen-

ty dollars ; each penalty to be recovered by action of debt, in any Court proper to try the same, one moiety thereof, to the use of the State, and the other moiety to him or them, who shall sue for the same ; and said corporation shall be further liable to pay, in an action on the case, all such special damages, as any person shall sustain by such neglect.

Penalty in case of neglect, and how recovered.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That if said corporation shall neglect or refuse, for the space of one year from the passing of this Act, to establish and set up said ferry, agreeably to the provisions of the second section of this Act, then this grant shall be void.

This act to be void unless said ferry be established within one year.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That the first meeting of said corporation may be called at such time and place, as may be determined upon by a majority of the persons herein named, by publishing notice thereof in the newspaper, printed in Gardiner, ten days at least, prior thereto.

First meeting.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That the Legislature may enlarge, restrain, or annul the powers granted by this Act.

Powers herein granted subject to revision by the Legislature.

CHAP. 38.

AN ACT for the preservation of the Kennebec Bridge.

Approved February 21, 1829.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That from and after the first day of April next, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to ride or drive any horse or horses over, or upon, the Kennebec Bridge, faster than upon a walk : *Provided*, The proprietors of said bridge, shall keep constantly exposed to view, at each

Horses not to be driven over the bridge faster than a walk.

Notice of this regulation, how given.