

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL

ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE,

At its Session commencing January 5th, 1831.

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Portland.

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1831.

deemed to impair or annul the right of the State, to exact payment of the arrears of taxes from said Bank, which may be due up to the said first day of April. And the President, Directors and Cashier of said Bank shall be under obligation to make return to the Governor and Council, of the state and condition of their concerns, in the same manner, and at the same times as if this Act had not been passed.

CHAPTER 159.

AN ACT to establish the Reed Ferry Company.

Approved March 18, 1831.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That Henry Reed, of Brewer, in the County of Penobscot, with such other persons as may hereafter associate with him, and their successors be, and hereby are, created a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Reed 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.

Names of persons incorporated.

Powers and privileges.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said corporation be, and hereby is authorized to establish, set up and maintain, a Ferry across the Penobscot river, between Bangor and Brewer, at the places where a ferry is now kept by the said Henry Reed, 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

May establish a Ferry across the Penobscot river.

with such other boats as may be useful, safe and convenient, for passing the said river in the night, or at any other time when the passage of said river shall be considered dangerous for such steam or horse boats.

Rates of toll. **SECT. 3.** *Be it further enacted,* That a toll be, and hereby is established and granted for the use of said corporation, according to the rates following, viz: for each foot passenger, three cents; one person and horse, ten cents; one horse and chair, sulkey or chaise, with one person, eighteen cents; and for each additional person, three cents; one horse and wagon or cart, with one person, fourteen cents; and for each additional person three cents; two horses and wagon, with one person, twenty cents; two horses and coach with driver, twenty-five cents; for each passenger, three cents; one horse and curricule, with one person, twenty cents; two horses and curricule, with one person, twenty-five cents; and for each additional person, three cents; four horses, stage and driver fifty cents, including passengers; each team including cart, wagon, or sled, drawn by not more than four oxen and driver, twenty cents; each additional yoke of oxen eight cents; neat cattle and beasts of burden, exclusive of those rode upon, or in carriages or teams, eight cents each; sheep and swine, two cents each; elephants one dollar each; and for all other animals and beasts of show or otherwise, not before enumerated, eight cents each.

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 carriages, horses, teams, carts, 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 five dol-

Corporation shall keep good boats, &c.

Forfeitures.

lars ; and for every neglect in keeping such boat, fifty dollars ; each penalty to be recovered by action of debt, in any Court of competent jurisdiction, to the use of any person who shall sue therefor ; and said Corporation shall be further liable in an action on the case, to pay all such special damages, as any person shall sustain by such neglect.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That said Corporation be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered, to build, erect and maintain any piers, railways, wharves, buildings or other conveniences, which shall be necessary for maintaining said Ferry, on the shores and landing places of the Penobscot river, in the towns of Bangor and Brewer, at such places as are now laid out for the use of the Ferry over said river, and at such other places as the Court of Sessions, for the County of Penobscot, shall adjudge convenient and necessary: *Provided,* That said Corporation, shall pay the owner or owners of the land, or privileges, so occupied and improved, such damages as the Court of Sessions aforesaid shall assess.

Corporation may erect and maintain railway, piers, &c.

Proviso:

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That if said Corporation shall refuse or neglect for the space of two years from the passing of this Act, to set up and establish said Ferry, agreeably to the provisions of this Act, then this grant shall be null and void.

Ferry to be erected within two years, or grant to be void.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted,* That Henry Reed be, and hereby is, authorized to determine the time and place of holding the first meeting of said Corporation, by giving notice thereof in one of the newspapers printed in Bangor, ten days at least before said meeting.

First meeting.

SECT. 8. *Be it further enacted,* That the Legislature may at any time, enlarge, restrain or annul the powers granted by this Act.

Powers, &c. may be changed.