

# 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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salborough, or a Committee by them appointed, from taking fish in the Kennebec river, within sixty rods of the mouth of said brook, be, and the same are so far repealed, as to permit the owners of land to enjoy the right of taking Salmon, Shad, Alewives, or any other kinds of Fish thereon, from the Kennebec river four days in each week between the first day of May, and the first day of August annually, upon any part of the same, any Act now in force to the contrary notwithstanding.

Certain Acts repealed.

Owners of land, on the river, may take fish at certain times.

### CHAPTER 173.

AN ACT to establish the Bangor and Brewer Ferry Company.

Approved March 25, 1831.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That William Rice, George W. Pickering, George W. Brown, James Crosby, their associates and successors, be, and hereby are created a body politic and corporate, by the name of the *Bangor and Brewer Ferry Company*, with power by that name to sue and be sued; to have and use a common seal, and 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.

Powers granted.

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 Ferry-way near the foot of Union Street in said Bangor, to the Ferry-way opposite the same

Ferry, where established.

Boats, how  
propelled.

in the town of Brewer, 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, safe and convenient for passing said river in the night, or at any time when the passage of said river shall be considered dangerous for such steam or horse boat.

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, two cents; one person and horse, ten cents; one horse, waggon, load, driver and passengers, twelve cents; two horses and waggon with load and passengers, twenty cents; one yoke of oxen and cart or waggon with driver, twenty cents; one horse and chair, sulkey or chaise, with one person, eighteen cents; and for each additional person, two cents; two horses and coach with driver, thirty three cents; for each passenger, two cents; one horse and curricule, with one person twenty five cents; two horses and curricule with one person, thirty three cents; and for each additional person, two cents; four horses, stage and driver forty cents, including passengers; horses and horned cattle over two years old, from one to three in number, eight cents each; those over three years old and more than three in number, six cents each; sheep and swine, one cent each; elephants one dollar each; and for all other animals and beasts of show or otherwise, not before enumerated, two cents each.

Duty of Cor-  
poration.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That said corporation shall keep at the Ferry established as aforesaid, a good and sufficient 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 five dollars; 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 to pay, in an action on the case, all such special damages, as any person shall sustain by such neglect.

Penalties for neglects, how recovered.

Special damages.

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 aforesaid, at such places as are now laid out for the use of the Ferry over said river, and at such other places as the County Commissioners, for the County of Penobscot, shall adjudge convenient and necessary: *Provided,* Said corporation shall pay the owner or owners of land, or privilege so occupied and improved, such damage as the County Commissioners aforesaid shall assess.

May erect and maintain piers, railways &c.

Damages to owners of land, how ascertained.

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.

This Act to be void if Ferry not established in two yrs.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted,* That William Rice 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 at Bangor, ten days at least before said meeting.

First meeting how notified.

SECT. 8. *Be it further enacted,* That the powers granted by this Act, may be enlarged, restrained or annulled, at the pleasure of the Legislature.

Powers reserved.