

# 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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PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF 28TH JUNE, 1830.

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**Portland.**

TODD AND HOLDEN.....PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1831.

other places as the Court of Sessions, for the County of Hancock shall adjudge convenient and necessary: *Provided*, That said corporation shall pay the owner or owners of the land, or privilege so occupied and improved, such damages as the Court of Sessions aforesaid shall assess. Damages to owners of land.

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 the second section of this Act, then this grant shall be null and void. This Act void if ferry not established in 2 years.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That any one of the persons mentioned in the first section of this Act 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 the County of Hancock, twenty days, at least before said meeting. First meeting, how called.

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

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## CHAPTER 184.

AN ACT to incorporate the Proprietors of Middle Bridge at Calais.

Approved March 26, 1831.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That John Austin, John Barnard, Salmon Gates, William K. Barnard, Benjamin F. Waite, their associates and successors, be, and hereby are created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Middle Bridge Proprietors; and by that name may sue and be sued; and may have Persons incorporated. Powers granted.

a common seal, and change the same at pleasure ; may make any by-laws for the management of their concerns, not repugnant to the laws of this State ; and may at any meeting duly called, choose a Clerk and any other officers for the management of the business of the corporation, by a vote of the majority of the members present, allowing one vote for each share : *Provided*, That no person shall be entitled to more than ten votes : *And provided also*, That said corporation shall pay or cause to be paid to the Ferry Point Bridge Corporation, the sum of fifty dollars annually for one half of the right of landing or ferriage secured to said Ferry Point Bridge Corporation by deed, lease or otherwise by the Rector and Wardens of Christ's Church in the parish of St. Stevens during the continuance of said right.

Proviso.

Bridge, where erected.

How constructed.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That said Bridge shall be erected in Calais, at Mill Town Village so called, just below the Mills of said Village, across the St. Croix River, connecting said town of Calais, with the Parish of St. Stephens, in the Province of New Brunswick, and shall be made of good materials, and of suitable height from the water, of the width of twenty-two feet excepting the Arch, which shall be at least fifteen feet in width, 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 also for the passage of boats, viz. at least ninety-five feet wide.

Rates of toll.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That a toll be, and hereby is granted for the sole benefit of said corporation, according to the following rates, viz: for each foot passenger, one cent ; one person and horse, six cents ; single horse-cart, sled or sleigh, six cents ; each team, including cart, waggon, sled or sleigh, drawn by more than one beast, and, not exceeding two, twelve cents ;

and for each additional beast above two, three cents; each single horse, chaise, chair, sulkey or waggon, twelve cents; each coach, chariot, phaeton, or curricule, drawn by two horses, twenty-five cents; and for every additional beast, two cents; neat cattle, horses, mules or asses, exclusive of those rode upon, or in carriages, two cents each; sheep and swine, one half cent 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 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 as shall be prescribed by said corporation; and at the place where said tolls are collected, the rates of toll aforesaid, and all others which may hereafter be granted, shall be fairly and legibly printed in large or capital letters, and kept constantly exposed to the view of passengers.

Rates of toll to be printed in large letters and exposed to view of passengers.

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

This Act void if bridge not completed in 2 years.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That Salmon Gates, be, and hereby is authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation to be held in Calais, by posting up notifications thereof in two public places in said town, seven days at least prior to said meeting.

First meeting how notified.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That all persons who have heretofore contributed to build said bridge, and who are unwilling to vest their contributions in said corporation and enjoy the privileges and immunities, and subject themselves to the liabilities incident to the corporation aforesaid, shall be allowed to pass said bridge free of toll, till said corporation shall pay such persons

Certain persons may pass free of toll.

How long.

the amount of money which they have severally contributed.

Powers reserved.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this Act, may be enlarged, restrained or annulled at the pleasure of the Legislature.

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## CHAPTER 185.

AN ADDITIONAL ACT to incorporate the Sebago and Long Pond Steam Boat Navigation Company.

Approved March 28, 1831.

One year allowed for completing steam boat.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That the term of one year, from and after the passing of this Act, be, and hereby is granted to the Sebago and Long Pond Steam Boat Navigation Company, to build, complete, and have in operation, on said waters, a good Steam Boat, agreeable to the provisions of the Act to which this is additional.

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## CHAPTER 186.

AN ACT to incorporate the Washington Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Approved March 28, 1831.

Persons incorporated.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That John Holway, Obadiah Hill, William A. Crocker, Harrison Thatcher, Stephen C. Foster, Ebenezer Inglee, M. J. Talbot, John Keller, Joshua A. Lowell, William Pope, Israel Hovey, N. Witherbee, with their associates and successors, being owners of buildings, be, and hereby