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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL

ACTS

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CHAPTER 238.

AN ACT to incorporate the Calais Railway Company.

Approved February 17, 1832.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That William DeLesdernier, Jones Dyer, Joseph Whitney, George Downes and Otis L. Bridges, with their associates, be and they hereby are created a corporation by the name of the Calais Railway Company, and shall so continue for the term of thirty years from the passage of this Act, for the purpose of erecting, repairing and maintaining, for the transportation of goods lumber and other articles, a railway within the town of Calais in the County of Washington, from the still water, at Milltown, so called, to the place of shipping lumber on the St. Croix river; and by the name aforesaid may sue and be sued, and may have a common seal, and change the same at pleasure, and may make by-laws for the management of their concerns, not repugnant to the laws of the State, and have all other powers incident to corporations.

Names of persons incorporated.

Corporation to continue 30 years.

For what purpose.

Powers, &c.

Capital Stock to be divided into shares, &c.

Choice of officers.

Corporation may hold real and personal estate.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the capital stock of said corporation shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and at all meetings of said corporation, each proprietor shall be entitled to as many votes as he may hold shares; but no proprietor shall be entitled to more than ten votes.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the stockholders of said corporation may annually on the first Monday of May choose a board of five Directors, and all other officers, which they may deem necessary.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That said corporation may take and hold by gift, grant, bargain and sale, or by lease, any estate real or personal, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars in value, and the same or any part thereof may sell and convey at pleasure.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That for the transportation of articles upon said railway the said corporation are

hereby authorized to demand and receive from the owners thereof a toll not exceeding the following rates, viz. for transporting the whole distance of said railway, a cord of wood fifty cents, Clapboards per thousand fifty cents, Pine Shingles per thousand ten cents, Cedar Shingles in bundles twenty cents per thousand, Laths eight cents per thousand, tons of Timber, twenty cents per ton, Boards and Plank per thousand feet board measure fifty cents, and eight cents per thousand to be added, if the company *pile* the lumber, Hogsheads twenty five cents each—Barrels eight cents each, bags containing two bushels of salt, grain or other articles, six cents each, bales of dry goods of common size twenty cents each, Logs, transported from still-water to the Union or the Lafayette mills, thirty seven cents per thousand feet board measure; *Provided*, that after the expiration of ten years from the passage of this Act, the above rate of tolls shall be subject to further regulation by the Legislature.

Rates of Toll.

Proviso.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That said corporation shall constantly, from and after the time when they commence the taking of toll for transporting any of the articles aforesaid, have and maintain in good repair and fit for use, a good and convenient [rail] road, constructed of suitable materials; and provide fit vehicles and carriages, with all necessary apparatus for the safe and speedy conveyance of all such articles as they may be required to transport upon said railway; and shall be held and obliged to take charge of, and convey the same accordingly, the toll therefor having been first paid or tendered.

Corporation shall maintain a Rail Road, &c.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this Act shall not be so construed as to permit said corporation, by their railway aforesaid, to obstruct any existing public road, or to impede travellers from passing thereon with ease, safety and convenience, or to preclude the town or county, in which said railway may be, from locating and establishing any highway, or town or private way wherever they may judge the same to be of common convenience and necessity.

Corporation shall not obstruct the Public road, &c.

CUMBERLAND INSURANCE COMPANY.

First meeting. SECT. 8. *Be it further enacted,* That William DeLesdernier may call the first meeting of said corporation by posting up notifications of the time and place thereof in two public places in said town of Calais ten days prior to the time of said meeting.

Grant to be void unless. SECT. 9. *Be it further enacted,* That unless said railway be completed within three years from the passing of this Act, then this grant shall be void.

SECT. 10. *Be it further enacted,* That the powers granted by this Act shall not be annulled by the Legislature.

CHAPTER 239.

AN ACT to revoke the Charter of the Cumberland Insurance Company.

Approved February 20, 1822.

Shall cease to be a corporation except, &c. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That the Cumberland Insurance Company incorporated the thirteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty one, shall, at their own request, from the passing of this Act, cease to be a corporation; except that they shall continue corporate during the term of two years from the passing of this Act for the sole purpose of collecting their debts, selling and conveying their property and estate, and remaining liable for the payment of all debts due from said corporation; of being capable of prosecuting and defending suits at law, choosing Directors and other officers for said purposes, and of closing their concerns.