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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL

ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

TWELFTH LEGISLATURE,

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CHAPTER 263.

AN ACT to change the name of the Winthrop Agricultural Society.

Approved March 7, 1832.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That the Winthrop Agricultural Society, instead of that name, shall be called and known by the name of the Kennebec County Agricultural Society ; *Provided* that said society at any legal meeting shall vote to have the name thereof altered as aforesaid.

To be called the Kennebec Agricultural Society. Proviso.

CHAPTER 264.

AN ACT to incorporate the Orono Bridge.

Approved March 8, 1832.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That Ira Wadleigh, Samuel Veazie, Jesse Wadleigh, Thomas Bartlett, Ira Fish, George W. Pickering, with their associates and successors be and they hereby are constituted a corporation by the name of the Proprietors of Orono Bridge, for the purpose and with the power of erecting, repairing rebuilding and maintaining a bridge over the Penobscot river, to connect Marsh Island with the main land in Sunkhaze Plantation at Old town Falls or between said Falls and Old town Island or from Marsh Island to Old town Island and from Old town Island to said main land. And said corporation may take and hold such estate, real and personal, as shall be necessary to carry said object into complete effect, with power to prosecute and defend suits at law ; have and use a common seal ; make by-laws not repugnant to the laws of the State for the management of their affairs ; and at any legal meeting choose any necessary officers by a majority of the votes of proprietors present, allowing one vote to every share, but no individual shall be entitled to more than twenty votes. *Provided* that if said Proprietors

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For what purpose.

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Proviso.

in erecting and maintaining said bridge shall interfere with the rights and privileges of the proprietors of the Old Town Canal as heretofore granted to that corporation they shall not have any claim upon the State for any damages they may sustain by reason of such interference.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said bridge shall be constructed of suitable materials, and of the width of twenty six feet at least, well covered with plank or timber, with sufficient railings on each side, and with passage ways for water at least forty five feet wide and sufficiently high for the passage of rafts of timber, boards and other lumber, with two sufficient side walks for foot passengers. And unless said bridge be completed in three years from the passing of this Act, this grant shall be void.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That a toll is hereby granted to said corporation at the following rates; viz. for each passenger on foot, two cents; for each horse and rider, six cents; for each sled, sleigh, cart or wagon drawn by one beast, twelve cents, with three cents for each additional beast; for each chaise, chair or sulkey drawn by one horse, twenty cents, with three cents for each additional horse; for each sled, sleigh, cart or wagon used for the conveyance of merchandize, drawn by two horses seventeen cents, with three cents for every additional horse; for each coach phaeton or curriole drawn by two horses thirty two cents; for each coach or other vehicle drawn by four horses, thirty seven cents; for droves of neat cattle or horses, two cents a head; for sheep or swine six cents a dozen; for each ox team one person may pass free as a driver; and no additional toll shall be charged for persons actually travelling in the vehicles aforesaid, but this exemption shall not extend to persons taken in for the purpose of evading toll. The corporation may commute these tolls by agreement with any person or corporation, taking therefor a specified sum for a given time. Said tolls shall commence when the bridge is first opened for passengers. After ten years from that time the Legislature shall have power to revise and change said rates of toll. All persons going to or returning from any place

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of public worship on the Sabbath, or going to or returning from any military duty may pass said bridge exempt from toll.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That at the place of collecting the tolls the corporation shall erect and keep a board or sign constantly exposed to view, upon which shall be legibly and fairly expressed the rates of toll aforesaid. Rates of toll shall be exposed to view. Whenever the toll gatherer shall not be at the toll house, the gate shall be left open, and the bridge free from toll.

CHAPTER 265.

AN ACT to incorporate the West Somerset County Agricultural Society.

Approved March 8, 1832.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That Orin Tinkham, David Bronson, John Pierce, Herbert Savage, Bezer Bryant, James H. Hilton, and their associates, successors and assigns be, and they hereby are, created a corporation by the name of the West Somerset County Agricultural Society, with power by that name to sue and be sued, use a common seal, make by-laws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of the State, and to hold and exercise all the powers incident to similar corporations. Names of persons incorporated. Powers, &c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That said Society be and hereby is established within the County of Somerset, and may take and hold property, real or personal, to an amount the annual income of which shall not exceed three thousand dollars, to be applied exclusively to the advancement of Agriculture and the Mechanic arts connected therewith. May hold real or personal estate.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this Act may be enlarged, restricted or annulled at the pleasure of the Legislature. Powers granted may be changed.