

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**PRIVATE**

AND

**SPECIAL ACTS**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE,**

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be so amended as to provide, that the certificates therein required, containing a description of the property insured, shall be filed in the Registry office of the County or District within which the estate or property insured is situated, instead of the Clerk's office of the town as now provided by said proviso, and for receiving and filing said certificates the Registers shall be entitled to receive from said company at the rate of twenty-four cents for every twelve certificates.

Certificates to be filed in Register's office instead of Clerk's office.

Compensation for filing.

**Chapter 332.**

AN ACT to incorporate the Proprietors of the Saint Croix Bridge.

Approved March 22, 1837.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That Anson G. Chandler, William Pike, Theodore Jellison and Albert W. Barnard, with their associates, successors and assigns, be and they hereby are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Proprietors of the Saint Croix Bridge, with power to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Saint Croix River at or near to Sprague's Falls or Enoch's Rips, so called, on their own land, so far as the jurisdiction of this State extends—and may purchase and hold such estate, real and personal, as may be necessary to carry into complete effect the object aforesaid, and shall possess all other powers usually granted, or incident to such corporations and be subject to all the liabilities, requirements, restrictions and limitations, contained in the several laws of this State concerning the same.

Corporators.

Corporate name.

Powers and duties.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said Bridge shall be well built of good materials, at least twenty-two feet wide, well railed, and kept in good safe and passable repair, and at the place where the tolls are collected, the rates of toll shall be fairly and legibly printed in large or

Bridge to be 22 feet wide, &c.

Rates of toll to be printed, and exposed to view.

capital letters, and kept constantly exposed to the view of passengers.

Rates of toll established.

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 one cent, each horse with rider four cents; each sled, sleigh, cart or waggon, drawn by one beast eight cents, with three cents for each additional beast; each chaise, chair, sulkey or pleasure wagon drawn by one horse, twelve cents, with six cents for each additional horse; each sled, sleigh, cart or waggon used for the conveyance of merchandize drawn by two horses, twelve cents, with four cents for each additional horse; each coach, phaeton or curricule drawn by two horses, twenty cents, or drawn by four horses, twenty five cents; droves of neat cattle or horses, one cent per head; sheep or swine four cents per dozen; to 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 or carriages aforesaid, but this exemption shall not extend to persons taken in for the purpose of evading toll: *Provided* that no more toll than the before named shall be taken for passing said bridge or any part of it, when it shall be extended to the British side of said River.

Proviso.

Bridge to be so constructed as that boats may pass under.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That said bridge shall be so constructed, that logs, masts, timber, rafts, gondolas and boats without masts may at all times pass under the same with ease and safety free from expense.

First meeting.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That any two of the corporators be authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation by notice of the time and place thereof, published two weeks before said meeting, in the several newspapers printed in the town of Calais, at which meeting it shall be lawful to chose a Clerk, Treasurer and such other officers, as may be thought proper, to determine the mode of calling future meetings and the manner of voting therein, and then or at any future meeting, to make by-laws for their regulation and government not repugnant to the laws of this State.

Powers, &c.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That if said corporation shall neglect or refuse for the space of three years from the passing of this Act to build and complete said Bridge, then this Act shall be null and void. To be completed within 3 years.

**Chapter 333.**

AN ACT to incorporate the Old Town Western Avenue Bridge.

Approved March 22, 1837.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That James N. Cooper, Alexander Cooper, and William Cooper, with their associates, and successors, be and they are hereby constituted a corporation by the name of the Proprietors of Old Town Western Avenue Bridge for the purpose, and with the power, of erecting, repairing, rebuilding and maintaining a bridge over the Stillwater branch of the Penobscot River, at or near Pushaw Falls, to connect Marsh Island with the main land in Orono—And said corporation may take and hold such estate, real and personal as shall be necessary to carry said object into complete effect and at any legal meeting may transact all necessary business by a majority of the votes of the proprietors present allowing one vote to each share—And said corporation may exercise and enjoy all the privileges, and shall be subject to all the duties and requirements of the laws regulating corporations. Corporators.  
Powers and duties.  
Location.  
May hold estate, &c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That said bridge shall be constructed of suitable materials, and of the width of twenty feet at least well covered with plank or timber and with sufficient railings on each side and with passageways for water at least sixty feet wide and sufficiently high for the passage of logs and other lumber—And unless said bridge be completed within five years from the passage of this Act this grant shall be void. Manner of construction.  
To be completed within 5 years.