

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE

AND

SPECIAL ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

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SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That said Proprietors be authorized to allow persons and corpora-<sup>May allow persons to pass by the year.</sup> tions to pass said Bridge by the year at an agreed price.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That so much of the aforesaid Act, incorporating said Proprietors, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be, and the same is hereby repealed.

### Chapter 430.

AN ACT authorizing the creation of a Bridge across the Kennebec River at Patterson's Ferry in Madison.

Approved March 6, 1839.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled*, That John B. Kinsman, Franklin Smith, David Bronson, Dennis Moore, Bezar Bryant, James Jones, William Thurston, Ebenezer Hutchinson, Charles Greene, their associates and successors be, and they hereby are constituted a 'body politic and corporate by the name of the Proprietors of the Anson and Madison Bridge, and by that name may prosecute and defend suits at law; may have and use a common seal; may make any by-laws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of the State; and may choose a clerk, treasurer and any other officers proper for the management of their corporate business, by a majority of votes present, allowing one vote to each share: *Provided*, no individual shall be entitled to more than ten votes on all his shares.

Corporators.

Corporate name.

No person to have more than 10 votes.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That said Bridge shall be built across the Kennebec river (between Anson and Madison) at or near Patterson's ferry, so called, and shall be made of good materials, and of suitable height from the water, of the width of twenty-five feet at least, well covered with plank or timber, and

Location,

and construction.

Proviso.

with sufficient rails on each side for the safety of travellers: *Provided*, said proprietors shall first purchase the land on each side of the river where the Bridge shall cross, or otherwise obtain their permission by any arrangement which shall be satisfactory to the proprietors of the said lands on either side of the river where said bridge may be built.

Rates of toll.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That a toll be, and hereby is granted for the benefit of said corporation according to the following rates, to wit; for each foot passenger, two cents; one person and horse, six cents; single horse and cart, horse and sleigh, wagon, or any such vehicle with one horse, twelve and a half cents; each horse and chaise or sulkey, seventeen cents; each gig drawn by one horse, twelve and a half cents; and for each additional horse, six cents; each team including cart, wagon, sled or sleigh, drawn by two oxen, twenty-two cents; and for each additional beast, two cents; four wheel carriages with two horses, twenty-five cents; and for every additional horse, six cents; neat cattle and beasts of burden, exclusive of those rode upon, or in carriages or teams, two cents each; sheep and swine at the rate of six and a quarter cents per dozen; and to each team one person only, shall be allowed as a driver to pass free of toll: *Provided however*, that no toll shall be exacted by said proprietors of any persons enrolled in the Militia, for passing said Bridge; going to or returning from military duty, either for themselves, their baggage, or military apparatus, or of any person going to or returning from public worship on the Lord's day. And at all times when the toll gatherer shall not attend his duty at said 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 in such manner as may be prescribed by said corporation. And at the place where said tolls are collected, the rates of toll shall be fairly and legibly painted on a board or sign, and kept constantly exposed to the view of passengers.

Exempts.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That if said corporation shall neglect or refuse for the space of three years from and after the passing of this Act, to build and complete said Bridge, then this Act to be void. To be completed within 3 years.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That the first meeting of this corporation may be called, in any manner by which a majority of the persons named in the first section of this Act may determine, by giving at least seven days notice of the time and place, by written notices in at least two public places in Anson, and one in Madison. First meeting.

### Chapter 431.

AN ACT accepting the surrender of the charter of the Penobscot Bank.

Approved March 6, 1838.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled*, That the surrender of the charter of the Penobscot Bank be, and the same hereby is accepted, and the same shall terminate when this Act shall take effect. Surrender accepted.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the said bank shall continue in its corporate capacity for and during the term of two years from the time this Act shall take effect, for the sole purpose of collecting the debts due the corporation, selling and conveying the property and estate thereof, and shall remain liable for the payment of all debts due from the same, and shall be capable of prosecuting and defending suits at law, and for choosing directors for the purposes aforesaid, and for closing its concerns. To continue a corporation two years for certain purposes.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after five days from the time of its approval by the Governor.