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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-FIFTH DEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1845.

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1845.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1845.

Снар. 276.

When toll com-

Power reserved to the legislature.

Certain persons exempted from toil. instead thereof. And said tolls shall commence on the day when said bridge is first opened for passengers, reserving to the legislature the right to revise and change the rates of toll as aforesaid, at any time after thirty years from the time of its completion. And all persons passing said bridge when actually going to or returning from any place of military parade or duty, and all persons when passing said bridge on their way to or returning from any place of public worship on the sabbath, shall be exempt from toll.

Rates of toll to be exposed to view.

In absence of the toll gatherer, bridge to be left open, &c.

Sect. 4. At the place where the toll shall be collected, there shall be erected and constantly exposed to view, a board or sign, on which shall be legibly expressed the rates of toll aforesaid; and when the toll gatherer shall not be at the toll house of said bridge, the gate shall be left open and the bridge free from toll.

Shares.

Votes.

SECT. 5. The stock of said corporation shall be divided in shares, of fifty dollars each; each share shall be entitled to one vote, but no one person shall be entitled to more than twenty votes.

First meeting.

Sect. 6. Any three of the persons named in the first section of this act, may call the first meeting of said proprietors, by publishing a notice thereof in one of the papers printed in Bangor, four-teen days prior to said meeting.

[Approved March 31, 1845.]

Chapter 276.

AN ACT authorizing the town of Machias to purchase Machias Bridge and establish the same as a free public way.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Inhabitants of Machias authorized to purchase Machias bridge, &c.

—and to raise moneys for that purpose.

Liability of proprietors to cease after sale.

Said bridge may be made a public way.

Sect. 1. The inhabitants of the town of Machias are hereby authorized and empowered, if they so determine by vote of said inhabitants, in legal town meeting held for that purpose, to purchase of the proprietors, Machias Bridge and the causeway connected therewith, and a surrender of the franchise thereof; and to raise any moneys, by taxation or otherwise, that may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

SECT. 2. After such purchase and surrender, the said proprietors shall cease to be liable in any way, on account of said bridge and causeway; and the same may be established by the county commissioners, of Washington county, as a public way in said town of Machias, and said town shall be liable therefor as for other public ways within the limits thereof.

[Approved March 31, 1845.]