

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1846.

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1846.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1846.

SECT. 2. The Atlantic and Saint Lawrence Rail Road Company shall have the right, and there is hereby granted to them the power, to build a suitable seawall, and suitable breastworks, wharves, and docks, connected with their said depot and terminus, for the reception, landing, lading, transshipment, and forwarding of merchandise and freight, transported, or to be transported, by and over said road, and for the accommodation and security of ships and vessels, receiving or discharging merchandise, freight or passengers. And to this end there is hereby further granted to them the right to build and construct a pier or piers on the middle ground, so called, for the protection and convenience of such ships and vessels, and for the better accommodation of the trade and business of said road, so however as not to obstruct and impede the free navigation of said harbor.

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Power to build sea wall, breastworks, wharves, and docks.

—to construct piers on the middle ground.

Not to obstruct the navigation of said harbor.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the approval thereof by the governor.

[Approved June 17, 1846.]

Chapter 311.

An Act additional respecting the South West Bend Bridge.

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

The fourth section of the act to incorporate the Proprietors of the South West Bend Bridge, approved February second, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, is hereby so varied and amended as not to require the bridge to be built more than twenty two feet wide.

Not required to be built more than twenty-two feet wide.

[Approved June 18, 1846.]

Chapter 312.

An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Sullivan Bridge.

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

SECTION 1. Augustus B. Perry, George Hinman, junior, John S. Emery, Theodore Bean, Ambrose Simpson, Walter Bowers, Sidney Smith, Otis Hinman, Nathaniel Johnson, George Hinman, Franklin Smith, Ransom B. Smith, William H. Clapham, Benja-

Corporators.

CHAP. 312.

min F. Ingalls, Nelson Abbot, Asor Dyer, Jabez S. Foster, Daniel Martin and Wilson Abbot, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the

Corporate name. proprietors of the Sullivan Bridge, for the purpose of building a toll bridge over an arm of Taunton bay, so called, at or near Sullivan ferry, and to locate the same at any point on said bay between Sullivan falls and Gorden's point and near the site of the former

General powers. bridge, as may appear best upon survey, and to enjoy all the powers and privileges incident and belonging to similar corporations.

Authorized to erect a toll bridge.

SECT. 2. The said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to erect a toll bridge over said Taunton bay at some convenient point to be determined by survey between Sullivan falls and Gorden's point and near the site of the former bridge, and the right of building and maintaining a toll bridge across the said Taunton bay is fully granted to said corporation. The said bridge shall be built of good and durable materials, and well covered with plank or timber suitable for such a bridge, with suitable rails on each side for the safety of passengers.

Construction.

SECT. 3. A draw or hoist in said bridge shall be constructed of the width of thirty-two feet with piers or wharves for vessels to pass conveniently; and the said proprietors shall cause the draw to be hoisted, or opened, for the accommodation of all such vessels as may have occasion to pass through the same, free of expense and without unnecessary delay; and the said bridge shall be so constructed that open boats and gondolas can conveniently pass under said bridge.

Toll granted.

Rates.

SECT. 4. A toll is hereby granted and established for the sole benefit of said corporation according to the following rates, viz: for each foot person, ten cents; for each person and horse, thirty cents; for each wagon, chaise, sleigh or other carriage of pleasure, drawn by one horse, forty-two cents; for each coach, chariot, sleigh, phaeton or other carriage of pleasure drawn by two horses, seventy cents; for each coach, sleigh, phaeton or other carriage of pleasure, drawn by four horses, eighty-five cents; for each sled, sleigh, cart or other carriage of burden, drawn by one beast, thirty-three cents; for each cart, wagon, sleigh, or sled drawn by two beasts, sixty cents; and for each additional beast twelve cents; for neat cattle, or horses exclusive of those rode upon, or in teams or in carriages, twelve cents; for sheep or swine two cents each; and for each team one person, and no more, shall be allowed as driver to pass free of toll; but all persons going to or returning from public religious worship on the Lord's day; all persons going to or returning from any funeral; and all persons who shall actually be on military duty

shall be permitted with their baggage to pass said bridge free of toll; and at times when the toll-gatherer shall not attend to his duty the gate shall be left open; and the toll shall commence from the day of the opening of the bridge for passengers; and the proprietors aforesaid shall erect and at all times keep at the place where the toll is collected, exposed to view a sign or board with the rates of toll fairly and legibly written thereon.

CHAP. 313.

If toll gatherer neglects his duty gates to be left open.

Time at which toll shall commence.

Rates of toll to be kept in public view.

SECT. 5. Unless said bridge shall be erected and finished within the term of six years from the passing of this act, and shall be kept in good repair thereafter, this grant shall be void.

Bridge to be built in six years, otherwise this act to be void.

SECT. 6. Augustus B. Perry is hereby authorized to fix the time and place of holding the first meeting of said corporation, and to give notice of the same by posting up notices thereof in some public place in each of the towns of Gouldsborough, Sullivan, Hancock and Franklin, and advertising the same in a newspaper printed in Bangor, three weeks successively, the last publication to be at least fourteen days before said meeting.

First meeting, how called.

[Approved June 19, 1846.]

Chapter 313.

An Act to unite the Great Falls Manufacturing Company in Berwick, Maine, with the Great Falls Manufacturing Company in Somersworth, New Hampshire.

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

SECTION 1. The stockholders of the Great Falls Manufacturing Company in Berwick, Maine, are hereby constituted stockholders of the Great Falls Manufacturing Company in Somersworth, New Hampshire, a body corporate and politic duly constituted and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of New Hampshire; and the stockholders of said Great Falls Manufacturing Company in Somersworth are hereby constituted stockholders of the said Great Falls Manufacturing Company in Berwick; and the said two corporations are hereby made one corporation by the name of the Great Falls Manufacturing Company; and all the franchises, property, powers and privileges granted or acquired under the authority of the said states respectively, shall be held and enjoyed by all the said stockholders in proportion to the number of shares, or amount of property held by them respectively, in either or both of said corporations.

Stockholders of each, constituted stockholders of both companies.

Said two companies made one corporation.

Corporate name.

SECT. 2. One or more of the directors or other officers of said

One or more officers to be an in-