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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

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STATE OF MAINE,

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Chapter 38.

An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across the Kennebec river, at Kendall's mills in Fairfield.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. William Bodfish, Oren Woodman, Lewis Dunbar, Thomas Woodman, Oliver Bragdon, Madison Crowell, James Bradford, Thomas J. Hinds and Jones Dow, and their associates and successors, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Fairfield Bridge, and by that name may prosecute and defend suits at law ; may have and use a common seal ; may make such by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of the state, as shall be necessary for the proper management of their affairs ; and may choose all necessary officers by a majority of the votes present, allowing one vote to each share : *provided* no individual shall be entitled to more than ten votes on all his shares.

Corporate name.
Powers and privileges.

Proviso.

Location.

SECT. 2. Said bridge shall be built across Kennebec river, at Kendall's mills, in the town of Fairfield, at some point between the south line of land owned by the Fairfield Land and Mills Association and the north line of land owned by Ebenezer Davis, and shall be constructed of materials and in a manner, safe and convenient for public travel ; *provided* said proprietors shall first purchase the land on each side of the river where the bridge shall cross, or otherwise obtain permission of the owners of said lands for that purpose.

Proviso.

Toll.

Rates.

SECT. 3. A toll is hereby granted for the sole 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 cents ; for each additional horse, six cents ; each team including cart, wagon, sled or sleigh, drawn by two oxen, sixteen cents ; and for each additional beast, two cents ; four-wheel carriages with two horses, twenty cents ; and for each 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 cents per dozen : *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 to his duty at said bridge, the gates thereof shall be left open, and said bridge shall be toll free. And the toll shall

Who may pass free of toll.

When toll to commence.

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commence on the day when the said bridge shall be opened for travel. And at the place where the toll shall be collected, the rates of toll shall be fairly and legibly printed on a board or sign and kept constantly exposed to the view of passengers.

Sign to be erected on which rates of toll shall be inscribed.

SECT. 4. If said corporation shall neglect or refuse for the space of three years from and after the passing of this act, to build said bridge, then this act shall be void.

Said bridge to be built within three years.

[Approved July 13, 1847.]

Chapter 39.

An act to incorporate the Bangor Manufacturing Company.

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

John Fiske, Samuel Veazie, James B. Fiske, and Edward D. Peters, their associates and successors, are constituted and made a body politic and corporate, by the name of "The Bangor Manufacturing Company," with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities provided in the laws of this state concerning manufacturing corporations; and the said corporation are authorized to take and hold real and personal estate, not exceeding at any one time, the sum of five hundred thousand dollars; and shall have power to lease, sell and improve the same as proprietors of real and personal estate are authorized to do; and said corporation are authorized to carry on the manufacturing of cotton, wool, iron, steel and wood, and such other materials as may be properly connected therewith; and for this purpose may erect such buildings, mills, dams and machinery as may be useful for that purpose on their own lands in the city of Bangor, on the Penobscot river where their dam and mills now are erected; and said corporation shall have power to hold and maintain said dam and works as they now stand, provided, that the running of rafts, logs and other lumber shall at all times be as good as the running would be in the natural state of the river, if no dam were erected; and that a good and sufficient fishway shall be maintained for the free passage of fish around said dam; and that said dam shall not be higher than it was before it was carried away by the ice freshet of March eighteen hundred and forty-six.

Corporators.

Corporate name,

Authorized to hold and control real and personal estate.

Articles of manufacture.

May erect buildings, dams and machinery.

Proviso.

[Approved July 13, 1847.]