

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

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ta Water power Company, and said Augusta Water power Company shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions and liabilities which the Kennebec Locks and Canals Company now have or are subject to.

CHAP. 80.

Rights, privileges, &c.

SECT. 2. Said Augusta Water Power Company are hereby authorized to increase their capital stock by the creation of such number of new shares as shall produce a sum not exceeding sixty thousand dollars, or by an assessment of a sum not exceeding ten dollars upon each share of its present capital; *provided, however,* that the mode and manner of laying the additional assessment, or of increasing the capital stock and disposing of the shares, shall be determined by the stockholders at any legal meeting called for that purpose, at which meeting a majority of the stock shall be represented.

Authorized to increase their capital stock, by adding new shares or by assessment.

Proviso.

[Approved July 31, 1847.]

Chapter 80.

An act to incorporate the Great Marsh Stream Bridge.

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

SECT. 1. William V. Brown, Nathaniel Nash, David Davis, Henry Nash, Samuel Small, David Look and their associates, successors and assigns be and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic by the name of the Great Marsh Stream Bridge Proprietors; for the purpose of building a toll bridge over the Great Marsh stream so called, in the town of Harrington; and to locate the same at any point below and near the house of Nehemiah Allen, as may appear best upon survey, and to enjoy all the powers and privileges incident and belonging to similar corporations.

Corporators.

Corporate name.

SECT. 2. The said corporation be and is hereby authorized and empowered to erect a toll bridge over said Great Marsh stream, at some convenient point below or near the house of Nehemiah Allen, in Harrington and the right of building and maintaining a bridge across said Great Marsh stream, is freely granted to said corporation. The said bridge shall be built of good and durable materials with sufficient rails on each side for the safety of passengers.

Authorized to erect a toll bridge.

SECT. 3. A draw or hoist in said bridge shall be constructed of the width of twenty-eight feet, with piers or wharves, for vessels to pass conveniently; and the said proprietors shall cause the same to be hoisted or opened for the accommodation of all such vessels as

Draw to be constructed.

—to be opened for the accommodation of vessels, free of expense.

**CHAP. 80.** 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 said bridge.

**Toll granted.** **SECT. 4.** A toll be and is hereby granted and established for the sole benefit of said corporation according to the following rates, **Rates.** viz: for each foot passenger, two cents; for each person and horse, six cents; for each wagon, chaise, or other carriage of pleasure, drawn by one horse, sixteen cents; for each coach, chariot, sleigh, phaeton or other carriage of pleasure drawn by two horses, twenty cents; for each coach, sleigh, phaeton or other carriage of pleasure drawn by four horses, twenty-five cents; for each sleigh, sled, cart or other carriage of burthen drawn by one beast, ten cents; for each cart, wagon, sleigh or sled, drawn by two beasts, twelve and one-half cents; and for each additional beast, three cents; for neat cattle or horses exclusive of those rode upon or in teams, two cents; for sheep or swine, six cents per dozen; for each team one person and no more as a driver, shall be allowed to pass free of toll; **Proviso.** *provided*, that all persons going to or returning from public religious worship on the sabbath days; all persons going to or returning from any funeral and all persons who shall actually be on military duty, shall be permitted to pass said bridge with their baggage free of toll; and at all times when the toll-gatherer shall not attend to his duty the gates shall be left open and the toll shall commence from the day of opening 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 written thereon.

Gates to be kept open, when toll gatherer neglects his duty.

Rates of toll to be kept in public view.

Said bridge to be finished in five years.

First meeting, how called.

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

**SECT. 6.** William V. Brown or either of the persons named in the first section of this act, be and hereby is authorized to fix the time and place of holding the first meeting of said corporation and to notify the same by posting up notices thereof in some public place in each of the towns of Addison and Harrington, at least fourteen days before said meeting.

[Approved July 31, 1847.]