

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1849.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1849.

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An act to incorporate the Sprague's Falls Bridge Company.

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

**SECT. 1.** Anson G. Chandler, William Pike, Levi L. Lowell, Henry E. Bates, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate by the name of the Sprague's Falls Bridge Company, with all the powers, rights, privileges and obligations by law incident to such corporations.

**SECT. 2.** Said company are hereby invested with and have granted to them the right, power and privilege of erecting, maintaining and keeping in repair a bridge across the Schoodiac river, at or in the vicinity of Sprague's Falls, so called, on said river, or to the line of the state in said river, together with booms, piers and other fixtures in said river or on the banks thereof, convenient for the use, protection and security of said bridge, and persons and property passing the same.

**SECT. 3.** The capital stock of said company shall be two thousand five hundred dollars, to be divided into such number of shares as said corporators shall determine, but not less than fifty.

**SECT. 4.** A toll is hereby granted to said company for the use of said bridge, according to the following rates, viz: for each foot passenger, one cent; one person and horse, six cents; single horse cart, sled or sleigh, six cents; each team, including cart, wagon, sled or sleigh, drawn by more than one beast, and not exceeding two, twelve cents; and for each additional beast above two, three cents; each single horse chaise, chair, sulky or wagon, twelve cents; each coach, chariot, phaeton or curricule drawn by two horses, twenty-five cents; and for every additional beast, two cents; neat cattle, horses, mules or asses exclusive of those rode upon or in carriages, two cents each; sheep and swine, one-half cent each; and to each team one person only shall be allowed as driver to pass free of toll—said toll may be collected as shall be prescribed by the company, and when the toll gatherer shall not attend at the place for receiving it, the gate shall be left open; and at the place where said tolls are collected, the rates of toll shall be fairly and legibly printed in large or capital letters and kept constantly exposed to the view of passengers.

**SECT. 5.** All persons going to or from funerals or to or from

Rates of toll to be printed and exposed to view, at the place where collected.

When certain persons shall pass free of toll.

public worship on the Sabbath shall be allowed to pass the CHAP. 205.  
bridge free of toll.

SECT. 6. Any two of the persons above named may call First meeting.  
the first meeting of the company on giving such notice as they  
shall think proper.

SECT. 7. If said bridge be not finished so as to be made To be finished  
within three  
years.  
convenient and passable within three years from the fifteenth  
day of September next, this act shall be void.

[Approved June 29, 1849.]

### Chapter 205.

An act to incorporate the Hancock Insurance Company.

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

SECT. 1. Thomas Robinson, Seth Tisdale, Andrew Peters, Corporators.  
Samuel Dutton, Hatch Macomber, Samuel Dutton, junior,  
Thomas D. Jones, J. M. Hale, George Parcher, Arno Wiswell,  
George W. Brown, George Herbert, N. A. Joy, William Ben-  
nett, and G. W. C. Means, with their associates, successors and  
assigns, be and they are hereby created a corporation by the  
name of Hancock Insurance Company, with powers and privi- Corporate name.  
leges and subject to all the duties and obligations and restrict- Powers, privi-  
leges, and obli-  
gations.  
ions contained in the seventy-sixth and seventy-ninth chapters For the term of  
twenty years.  
of the revised statutes of this state, for the term of twenty  
years from the passing of this act, and by that name may sue  
and be sued, have a common seal and purchase and hold real  
estate to the amount of five thousand dollars.

SECT. 2. The capital stock of said company shall be fifty Capital stock.  
thousand dollars, (any law to the contrary notwithstanding)  
exclusive of premium notes and profits, divided into shares of Shares.  
one hundred dollars each, of which fifty per cent. shall be paid  
in by the first day of October, in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, and the remaining fifty  
per cent. within two years thereafter.

SECT. 3. Said company shall have power to make by-laws By-laws.  
for managing their affairs not repugnant to the laws of the  
state.

[Approved June 20, 1849.]