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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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STATE OF MAINE.

1850.

Chapter 371.

CHAP. 371.

An act additional to an act incorporating the Dresden Neck Bridge Company.

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

SECT. 1. The charter of the Dresden Neck Bridge Company, granted in eighteen hundred and forty-two, is hereby amended by granting said company power to reduce the width of said bridge, at the draw, to fifteen feet; and also to reduce the width of the traveled part of so much of said bridge as it may be necessary to occupy for a toll house to seventeen feet, *provided* that this act shall not extend to any bridge rebuilt under said charter, but any bridge hereafter built by virtue of the charter aforesaid, shall conform to its original provisions.

Charter amend-
ed.
Width of bridge
reduced.

SECT. 2. All past acts and doings of said company, not inconsistent with the constitution or laws of the state are hereby declared valid and legal.

Acts valid.

[Approved August 20, 1850.]

Chapter 372.

An act creating the Farmington Village Corporation.

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

SECT. 1. The territory in the town of Farmington comprising front lots numbered twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six and twenty-seven, on the east side of Sandy river, together with the inhabitants thereon, is hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Farmington Village Corporation.

Territory.

Corporate name.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with the power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise such sums of money as may be sufficient for the purchase, repair and preservation of one or more fire engines, engine houses, hose, buckets, ladders or other apparatus for the extinguishment of fire; for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts for the procuring of water; and for organizing and maintaining, within the limits of said territory, an efficient fire department; and also such further sum, not exceeding one hundred dollars annually, as may be sufficient to defray the expenses of ringing one of the bells in said territory, and purchasing and keeping in repair a public clock.

Power to raise
money for cer-
tain purposes.

CHAP. 372.

How assessed. **SECT. 3.** Any money raised by said corporation for the purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the property within the territory aforesaid, by the assessors of said corporation in the same manner as is by law provided for the assessment of county taxes. And said assessors may copy the last valuation of said property by the assessors of the town of Farmington, and assess the tax thereon; or if the corporation shall so direct may correct said valuation, or make a new valuation thereof according to the principles established by the last state tax, and assess the tax on that valuation.

Duty of assessors. **SECT. 4.** Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors of said corporation by the clerk thereof, of the amount of money raised at any meeting for the purposes aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said assessors, as soon as may be, to assess said amount upon the polls and estates of the persons residing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and the assessment so made, to certify and deliver to the collector of taxes of the town of Farmington, whose duty it shall be to collect the same, in like manner as county and town taxes are, by law, collected by towns, and to pay over the same to the treasurer of said corporation; and said corporation shall have the same power to direct the mode of collecting said taxes, as towns have in the collection of town taxes.

Duty of collector.

Officers. **SECT. 5.** The officers of said corporation shall consist of a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, assessors, fire wardens and such other officers, as may be provided for in the by-laws of said corporation; and said fire wardens shall have, exclusively, all the power and authority within the limits of said corporation, that fire wardens now have or may have, chosen by towns.

Power and authority of fire wardens.

By-laws. **SECT. 6.** Said corporation, at any legal meeting thereof, may adopt a code of by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of this state, for the efficient management of the fire department aforesaid and of their affairs.

First meeting, how called. **SECT. 7.** John W. Perkins, Allen Phillips, William T. Abbot and Epaphras Johnson, or either of them, are authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, by publishing the time, place and objects of said meeting two weeks successively in *The Chronicle*, a newspaper printed in Farmington, the last publication to be seven days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

When to take effect. **SECT. 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force after the same shall be accepted by a vote of a majority of the legal

voters present and voting at a meeting of said corporation called CHAP. 373.
agreeably to the seventh section of this act.

[Approved August 20, 1850.]

Chapter 373.

An act to incorporate the Saint Croix Insurance Company.

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

SECT. 1. C. R. Goodnow, S. G. Pike, E. A. Barnard, Joseph Granger, James S. Hall, Steven Emerson, George N. Cole, J. C. Perkins, Charles Lord, W. W. Lowell, George Huston, G. G. King, G. D. King, D. M. Hall, William Deming, Ansel Daliey, Seth W. Smith, Joseph A. Lee, George M. Chase, Benjamin Young, Charles Cattel, Thomas J. Copeland, J. C. Swan and F. A. Pike, all of Calais, in the county of Washington, with their successors, associates and assigns are hereby created a corporation by the name of the Saint Croix Insurance Company for the purposes of taking fire and marine risks, with all the rights usually granted to other similar corporations and with all the powers and subject to all the duties, obligations, and restrictions contained in the present laws and in such additional provisions of law as may from time to time be enacted relating to corporations and insurance companies in this state, to continue twenty years from the passing of this act, with the power to purchase and hold such personal property and real estate as may be necessary to effect the object of the corporation.

SECT. 2. The office of said company shall be kept in the town of Calais and the capital stock of said company exclusive of premium notes and profits, shall be fifty thousand dollars of which fifty per cent. shall be paid in within ninety days after public notice given by the president and directors in a newspaper printed in Calais and the remaining fifty per cent. within two years after the payment of the first installment.

SECT. 3. Any three of the persons named in this act may call the first meeting of this company by publishing the time and place thereof in a newspaper printed in Calais seven days previously; at which meeting the officers required by law may be chosen and any corporation business transacted.

Corporators.

Corporate name.

Powers, privileges, &c.

Tenure of charter.

Office to be kept in Calais.
Capital stock.
When to be paid in.

First meeting.

[Approved August 20, 1850.]