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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1850.

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each; and no additional toll shall be charged for persons actually traveling in any of said vehicles; but this exception shall not extend to persons taken in for the purpose of avoiding toll, and only one person as a driver to each team shall be allowed to pass free of toll; but all persons going to, or returning from any place of public worship on the Sabbath shall be allowed to pass said bridge free of toll.

SECT. 4. At the place of collecting tolls, said corporation shall keep constantly exposed to view a board or sign with the rates of toll aforesaid, legibly inscribed thereon; and whenever the toll gatherer shall be absent from the toll house, the gate shall be left open and the bridge be toll free; and said toll shall commence on the day when said bridge is first opened for passengers.

A sign with rates of toll painted thereon, to be exposed to view.

Bridge to be free in absence of the toll gatherer.

Toll, when to commence.

SECT. 5. If said corporation shall neglect or refuse for the space of four years from the passage of this act, to build and complete said bridge, then this act shall be void and of no effect.

Time of building of said bridge limited.

SECT. 6. Any two persons mentioned in the first section of this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by posting up notice of the time, place and purposes thereof, in two public places in the towns of Bethel and Newry, fourteen days before the time of said meeting.

First meeting, how called.

[Approved August 24, 1850.]

Chapter 386.

An act to incorporate the Penobscot Plank Road Company.

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

SECT. 1. Pembroke S. Huckins, Samuel Veazie, George K. Jewett and Leonard March, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated as the Penobscot Plank Road Company, with all the powers and subject to all the liabilities of similar corporations—and are authorized to construct a plank road, from some point in Milford in the county of Penobscot, on the shore of the Penobscot northerly to Moluncus, so called, in the county of Aroostook, or to any point in said county, north of said Moluncus, and for the purpose of building said road, said corporation may purchase and hold, or take land, in the same manner and under the same conditions, that land is taken by railroad corporations, and by consent of the

Incorporators.

Corporate name.

Line of said road.

May purchase, take and hold land.

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May lay said road within the limits of any public highway, &c.

county commissioners, of the county, may lay said plank road within the limits of any state, county, or townway, or across any bridge not to interfere with the travel on such way or bridge, by paying the owners of land such damages as may be awarded them by said county commissioners.

Capital stock.

SECT. 2. The capital stock of said company shall be two hundred thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and said corporation may go into operation although the full amount of said stock has not been subscribed or paid in; *provided*, that no section or sections of said road shall be put under contract to be built until three quarters of the estimated cost of construction of said section or sections shall be subscribed by responsible persons.

Proviso.

Construction of the road prohibited in certain cases.

Gates, toll, &c.

SECT. 3. The corporation aforesaid may erect and maintain gates across their road, at such places as they see fit, and take such toll from travelers as from time to time they may establish.

A toll sign to be kept up, &c.

At such places as said toll is taken, said company shall keep up in a conspicuous place, a board with the rates of toll expressed thereon, in legible characters.

Penalty for injuring said works.

SECT. 4. Any person injuring or destroying any works of said company, shall suffer the same punishment as is prescribed for similar offenses in cases of injuring railroads. And any person who shall avoid any gate for the purpose of defrauding said company of their toll, shall be liable to a penalty equal to forfeit and pay double the amount of toll the company might have demanded and received of such person if he had passed such gate, to be recovered by complaint to the use of the company, before any justice of the peace for the county where the offense was committed.

Penalty for avoiding toll.

Authorized to extend said road under certain conditions.

SECT. 5. If said company shall finish twenty miles of said road within three years, they may extend the same, under the provisions of this act, during the period of ten years, and all the provisions of this act shall at any time apply for the protection of said company to so much of said road as they shall have completed.

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