

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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

OF THE

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CHAP. 405.

Proviso.

same duties and be liable to the same penalties, and their acts shall be as valid, in relation to the said annual election to be held in September next, and in relation to any other elections that may be held between that day and the next municipal election in said city, as though they had been chosen at the last municipal election in said city of Portland. *Provided*, that whenever hereafter the legal voters of said island ward shall fail to elect a warden and clerk at the spring election in the city of Portland, they may always proceed to elect such warden and clerk on the day of the next subsequent state election, and the acts of such warden and clerk shall be as valid as though they had been chosen at the prior municipal election.

[*Approved August 28, 1850.*]

**Chapter 405.**

An act in addition to "an act concerning elections in the city of Portland."

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

An act entitled "an act concerning elections in the city of Portland," passed August twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and fifty, and this act also shall take effect and be in force from and after their approval by the governor.

[*Approved August 28, 1850.*]

**Chapter 406.**

An act creating the Norway Village Corporation.

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

SECT. 1. The territory embraced within the limits of the two school districts comprising the territory known as Norway village in the town of Norway, together with the inhabitants thereon be and the same hereby is created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Norway Village Corporation.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with power at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise such sums of money as may be sufficient for the repair and preservation of

Limits of territory.

Corporate name.

Power to raise money to repair and preserve fire apparatus.

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.

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

Money, how raised, &c.

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 estates and polls of persons residing on the territory aforesaid and upon the estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and the assessment to certify and deliver to the treasurer or collector of said corporation, whose duty it shall be to collect the same in like manner as county and town taxes are by law collected by towns, 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 assessors to assess tax, &c.

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

Duty of collector, &c.

Officers and their powers, &c.

SECT. 6. Said corporation at any legal meeting thereof may adopt a code of by-laws for the government of the same and for the efficient management of the fire departments aforesaid, *provided* the same are not repugnant to laws of the state.

By-laws.

SECT. 7. Elliot Smith, Ezra F. Beal, or M. B. Bartlett or either of them are hereby authorized to issue a warrant directed to some member of said corporation requiring him to notify the members thereof to assemble at some suitable time and place in said Norway village by posting up notices in two public

First meeting, how called.

**CHAP. 407.** places within said village seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Act, when to take effect.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force after the same shall be accepted by a majority of the voters present at a meeting of said corporation called agreeable to the seventh section of this act.

[Approved August 28, 1850.]

### Chapter 407.

An act to regulate the salmon, shad and alewife fisheries in the Kennebec river.

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

Time of taking fish limited.

SECT. 1. No person shall be allowed to take any salmon, shad or alewife, in the waters of the Kennebec river or its branches, with any weirs, between the hours of sunrise on Saturday and of sunrise on Monday; and seines and nets between the hours of sunrise on Saturday and sunset on Monday of each week, under a penalty of twenty dollars for each salmon, fifteen dollars for each barrel or less quantity of shad, and five dollars for each barrel or less quantity of alewives so taken; and nets or seines found in said waters contrary to the provisions of this act, shall be forfeited to any person who may seize the same.

Penalty.

Weirs, &c., how constructed.

SECT. 2. All weirs or pounds placed in said waters for the purpose of taking fish shall have a gate, not less than four feet square, in the pocket or small pound, to be placed directly opposite the entrance to the same; said gate to be kept open during the hours named in the preceding section, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each offense.

Fish committee.

SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of each city and town adjoining said river, as far up as the Augusta dam, at their annual meeting for the choice of city and town officers, to choose three suitable persons as a fish committee, who shall be duly sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties, whose duties it shall be to see that the foregoing provisions of this act are carried into effect, and who shall be liable to a fine not less than five, nor more than twenty dollars, for each and every neglect of their official duties; and any city or town neglecting to choose such fish committees as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay not less than one hundred nor more than two hundred dollars.

Duties and liabilities.

Penalties of towns, &c., for neglect to choose fish committees.