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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1852.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1852.

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Sign erected
with rates of
toll thereon.

of opening the bridge for passengers; and the proprietors shall at all times keep exposed to public view at the place where the toll is collected, a sign with the rates of toll legibly written thereon.

Bridge, how
constructed.

SECT. 3. Said bridge shall be well built, of good materials, well railed, and kept in good, safe and passable repair; and said proprietors shall keep a convenient draw in said bridge, of the width of twenty-six feet for vessels to pass, and a suitable wharf or pier on each side of said bridge and adjoining said draw, and the said proprietors shall cause the said draw to be hoisted or opened for such vessels as may have occasion to pass through the same, free of expense, and without unnecessary delay; and said bridge shall be so constructed that gondolas and boats may pass under said bridge at any time of tide with safety; and said bridge shall be not less than twenty-feet in width and well covered with plank or timber suitable for such a bridge.

Draw to be
constructed.

Draw open free
of expense.

First meeting,
how called.

SECT. 4. John Rogers, Daniel Jones, William G. Parker, William P. Mugredge and William R. Parker, or any two of them, are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of the corporation aforesaid, by advertisement published two weeks successively in the *Maine Democrat*, a paper printed at Saco, setting forth the time, place and purpose of said meeting, at which meeting it shall be lawful for the members of said corporation to elect a clerk and any other officers necessary to the management of the concerns of said corporation; may determine the mode of calling future meetings and the manner of voting therein; and at the same time or at any subsequent meeting, shall have power to make any by-laws for their regulation, not repugnant to the laws of this state; *provided, however*, that unless this said bridge shall be completed within six years from the passage of this act, the same shall be void.

Business to be
transacted.

Time of erect-
ing bridge, lim-
ited.

[*Approved February 26, 1852.*]

Chapter 493.

An act to incorporate the Moosehead Dam Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Samuel Parker and George W. Smith, their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated a body politic by

the name of Moosehead Dam Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges of similar corporations.

SECT. 2. Said Moosehead Dam Company, shall have the right to demand and receive the sum of eight cents for each and every thousand feet board measure, of all logs and lumber which may pass over and through their said dam, instead of the toll now provided for by law, to be ascertained and determined by the scale usually denominated the woods' scale; and said corporation shall have a lien on all logs and lumber which may pass through, or over, the said dam whether the same remain in the possession of said corporation or not; until the full amount of tolls due on all the logs of any particular mark, shall be paid; and if not paid within sixty days after said logs or lumber has passed said dam, said corporation may sell at public auction, so many of said logs as may be sufficient to pay said tolls and incidental charges; but public notice of the time and place of said sale, shall first be published in some newspaper in each of the towns of Bath and Skowhegan, at least ten days before said sale; but the right of said corporation to demand said toll is upon the condition, that said corporation shall forthwith repair their dam, if necessary, to the satisfaction and acceptance of the land agent; and, upon the further conditions that if said corporation shall collect the sum in tolls, as provided in the third section of this act, under and by virtue of this act, it shall be in full compensation to said corporation, for their said dam; and then the same shall become the property of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, and be free to the public.

SECT. 3. The said corporation may upon the foregoing conditions collect in tolls, the present value of said dam, said value to be ascertained as is hereinafter provided; in tolls for timber hereafter to come over said dam, and also all the costs of repairs and incidental expenses and charges on said dam, with twelve per cent. interest on said value ascertained as aforesaid, and on said incidental expenses and charges, and it shall be the duty of the treasurer or proper officer of said corporation, to make a return on the first day of January annually of all bills for repairs upon said dam, and also render an account of incidental expenses and charges to be audited and approved by the land agent, and filed in the land office; and also make a return to the land agent under oath of all, or as near as may be, the number of thousand feet, board measure, which has passed said

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Corporate name.

Rights, powers and privileges.

May demand toll.

May have a lien on lumber.

Logs may be taken and sold at auction.

Notice to be given of time and place of sale.

Dam shall be repaired.

To become the property of the Kennebec Log Driving Co.

Amount that may be collected in tolls.

Returns to be filed in the land office.

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Value of dam,
&c., estimated
by the land
agent.

dam with the amount received for tolls, and the amount if any due and uncollected.

SECT. 4. The land agent shall cause the value of said dam to be ascertained, and when so ascertained, the same shall be filed in the land office with the bills for repairs, and estimates of expenses and charges.

[Approved February 27, 1852.]

Chapter 494.

An act to make valid the doings of school district number four in the town of Monmouth.

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

Acts of school
district made
valid.

SECT. 1. The acts and doings of school district number four in the town of Monmouth, had at any and all meetings of said district prior to the passage of this act, and the manner of notifying the same, shall be adjudged legal and valid, in all questions or suits at law, which may hereafter arise touching the same, or which may result from any contract made by said district.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved February 28, 1852.]

Chapter 495.

An act to incorporate the St. George Marine Railway Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. John Bickmore, George W. Gilchrest, Samuel Trussell, Robert Long, Joseph Long, Henry Bickmore, Josiah Whitehouse, William M. Richardson, John Alguist, John H. Long, David Seavey, Thomas J. Wheeler, William Seavey, Samuel Hart second, Daniel Holbrook, Charles Stearns, Ebenezer Otis, Barnabas Fountain, John D. Snow, Richard Martin, Thomas Clark, James Barter, Isaac Fountain, George W. Barter, Daniel Pierson, John Willard, Isaiah Gilchrest, R. S. Torrey, Jesse Hart, Francis Clark, Jason C. Harris, Avery Hart, James