

ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 546.

An act to incorporate the Mercantile Library Association of Portland.

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

SECT. 1. The Mercantile Library Association of Portland, a voluntary association now existing in the city of Portland, for the purpose of promoting and diffusing knowledge among young men now engaged in, or destined for the mercantile profession, is hereby created a body politic and corporate by the same name, and with power to take by purchase, bequest or otherwise, and to hold, transfer and convey, real and personal property to the amount of fifty thousand dollars, the legal title of which shall be in five trustees, but subject in the care and management, and disposal thereof, to the control and direction of a joint board of directors for the time being, which board of directors shall not consist of more than eleven members.

SECT. 2. Such corporation shall have power to prosecute and defend suits at law and in equity; to have and to use a common seal; and the present constitution and by-laws of said Mercantile Library Association, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state, shall continue in force under said corporation until changed by the corporation; and shall have all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the duties and liabilities belonging to similar corporations in this state.

SECT. 3. This act may be accepted at any regular meeting of said Mercantile Library Association by a majority of the members present, and shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved March 30, 1852.]

Chapter 547.

An:act authorizing the York and Cumberland Railroad Company to extend a branch to Sebago lake.

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

SECT. 1. The York and Cumberland Railroad Company, are hereby authorized to extend a branch of their road, from some convenient point on the line thereof, to Sebago lake, at

Branch railroad authorized to Sebago pond.

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Corporate name.

Objects of the corporation.

Property, may hold \$50,000.

Officers and their duties.

Rights and restrictions.

Act when to take effect.

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Corporators.

such point or place as they may find most convenient or desirable.

> This act shall take effect from and after its ap-**Sect.** 2. proval by the governor.

> > [Approved March 30, 1852.]

Chapter 548.

An act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows: SECT. 1. Robert H. Gardiner, Noah Woods, Henry B. Hos-

kins, J. D. Warren, Gideon S. Palmer, John Dennis, James Stone, John T. Stone, Freeman Trott, John Webb, William Palmer, Phineas Pratt, James A. Cox, Jacob Davis, Francis Richards, John Berry, junior, John L. Foy, Myrick Hopkins, Daniel Nutting, Ephraim Forsyth, Lorenzo Clay, Isaac J. Carr, F. T. Lally, William R. Gay, Franklin Stevens, Daniel Brookings, John Jewett, Stephen Young, Gideon Barker, James M. Brookings, William Cooper, Charles Cooper, James N. Cooper, John Stone, Benjamin F. Stone, William L. Stone, and Joseph Adams, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby constituted and created a body politic and corporate, by the name of the "Proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge," and by that name are hereby made capable of suing and of being sued, and are empowered to have a common seal, to have, hold property not and own real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding

fifty thousand dollars, and generally to have and enjoy all the powers and privileges incident, belonging to, or usually granted to similar corporations.

Location.

Corporate

Powers of,

May hold

exceeding \$50,000.

Powers and

privileges.

name.

Construction, &c.

Said corporation is hereby empowered to erect and SECT. 2. maintain a toll-bridge across the Kennebec river, at some suitable place between Gardiner and Pittston; said bridge to be built of suitable materials, and to be not less than twenty-four feet wide, exclusive of side-walks, and in all respects to be made safe for travelers, and to have one or more side-walks, each walk not less than five feet wide, with appropriate and sufficient railings amply to protect and guard the same.

SECT. 3. A draw upon the swing or pivot principle shall be constructed in said bridge over that part of the channel most favorable for the passage of vessels; which draw shall be

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Draw, construction of.

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