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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1852.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor. CHAP. 569.

[Approved April 9, 1852.]

Chapter 569.

An act to increase the capital stock of the Calais Bank.

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

SECT. 1. The President, Directors and Company of the Calais Bank, at Calais, are hereby authorized to increase the capital stock of said bank, by adding thereto the sum of twenty five thousand dollars, to be paid into said bank in gold or silver, on or before the first Monday of October next, and to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each ; and loans may be made by said bank on said additional capital whenever the directors, or a majority of them, with the cashier of said bank, shall have signed and verified by oath, and filed in the office of the secretary of state, a certificate that said additional capital has been actually paid in.

Capital stock increased \$25,000.

When paid, &c.

Shares.

Loans, when made, &c.

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

[Approved April 9, 1852.]

Chapter 570.

An act to incorporate the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation.

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

SECT. 1. The territory embraced within school district number one, in the town of Skowhegan, and school district number one, in the town of Bloomfield, in the county of Somerset, is hereby created a body politic and corporate, with all the rights and privileges provided by the general laws of the state relating to similar corporations, by the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation.

Territory incorporated.

Rights, duties, &c.

Corporate name.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and vested with the power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise money to defray the expenses of a night watch, of a police

May raise money.

CHAP. 570.

and all other necessary regulations, for the better security of property and for the promotion of good order and quiet, within its limits; for purchasing and keeping in repair engines, and all other apparatus for the extinguishment of fires; for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts to supply water; for the erection of and keeping in repair suitable engine houses; for organizing and maintaining an efficient fire department; for ringing one of the bells, and keeping in repair the public clock within said corporation.

Officers.

SECT. 3. The officers of said corporation shall be a clerk, treasurer, collector and three assessors.

How chosen,
&c.

SECT. 4. All the officers of said corporation shall be chosen by ballot, and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties; the first election to be at the meeting of the legal voters of the corporation called to accept this charter, and the annual election of officers shall be in the months of March or April thereafter.

Annual
election.Assessors,
duty of, &c.

SECT. 5. The assessors shall assess upon the polls and estate of the resident citizens within the limits of said corporation, and upon the estates of non-residents within said limits, whatever sum said corporation may vote to raise for the purposes aforesaid; *provided, however*, that in the assessment of taxes aforesaid, reference shall be had to the value of the estate taxed, to its locality and its hazard of loss by plunder or fire; and the tax on polls shall not exceed fifty cents to any one person.

Proviso.

Collector and
treasurer,
bonds of, &c.

SECT. 6. The collector and treasurer shall each give bonds, in double the amount of taxes so raised to the inhabitants of said corporation, which shall be approved by the assessors and clerk.

Taxes, manner
of collecting,
&c.

SECT. 7. The assessors of said corporation shall assess and commit with a warrant all taxes by them assessed to the collector of said corporation; and the said assessors, treasurer and collector shall have the same power and authority in assessing and enforcing the collection of taxes, which assessors, treasurers and collectors of towns now have.

Collector and
treasurer,
duty of.

SECT. 8. The collector shall pay all moneys by him collected over to the treasurer, and the treasurer shall receive the same, and pay it out to the order or direction of the corporation, and keep a regular account of all moneys received and paid out and exhibit the same to the assessors whenever requested.

Meetings,
how called.

SECT. 9. All meetings of this corporation after the first, shall be notified by a warrant of the assessors, notices of which shall be posted up in two public places within its limits, or

published in one of the newspapers within said corporation at least seven days prior to the time of said meeting, stating the time and purposes of the meeting; and a meeting shall at any time be called on the written application of seven voters to said assessors, stating the time and purposes for which said meeting is requested.

SECT. 10. All persons liable to be taxed for polls, residing in the limits of said corporation, shall be legal voters at any meeting of said corporation.

Voters.

SECT. 11. The said corporation at any legal meeting may choose a board of police officers, and night-watch, to consist of such number as the corporation may decide, who shall be duly sworn, which officers when sworn, shall have power to execute all warrants, and shall have the same power to prevent public disturbances and preserve public peace within said corporation, as is given by the statute laws of this state to justices of the peace; also to restrain all infractions of, and carry into effect such by-laws as said corporation shall adopt in pursuance of this act.

May choose
police, &c.Police, powers
of, &c.

SECT. 12. The said corporation at any meeting legally called for the purposes, may adopt such by-laws and provisions, not inconsistent with the constitution and public laws of this state, as they may deem expedient and necessary for the better government and regulation of the municipal affairs within said corporation; in which case such by-laws and provisions so adopted shall extend to said corporation as fully to all intents and purposes, as the other provisions of this act, subject only to alteration or addition by a two-thirds vote, at a legal meeting of the corporation, called for the purpose.

By-laws.

SECT. 13. Said corporation shall have full power to organize efficient companies for the fire department, by the appointment of engine-men, engineers and firewards, which engine-men, engineers and firewards when organized, shall be entitled to all exemptions and subject to all duties and responsibilities, and invested with similar powers, as if they had been appointed by the selectmen of towns, or in pursuance of the special and general provisions of the statute laws of this state.

Fire compa-
nies.

SECT. 14. Ebenezer H. Neil and Joseph Philbrick or either of them, are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, by having notices of the time, place and objects of the meeting published at least seven days before the time of said meeting, in the People's Press and the Democratic Clarion, newspapers printed at Skowhegan.

First meeting,
how called, &c.

CHAP. 571.

Charter,
acceptance of.

SECT. 15. At the meeting prescribed in the fourteenth section of this act, the legal voters shall vote by ballot on the question of accepting this charter, and if two-thirds shall vote in favor of its acceptance, then this act shall take effect, and the corporation shall then proceed to organize and choose its officers.

SECT. 16. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor and acceptance by the corporation.

[Approved April 9, 1852.]

Chapter 571.

An act to incorporate the Lumbermen's Bank.

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

Corporators..

SECT. 1. William H. Smith, Ephraim B. Pearce, James C. Bradbury, Joseph W. Pollard, their associates and assigns are hereby incorporated into a company by the name of the President, Directors and Company of the Lumbermen's Bank ; and the capital stock of said bank shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each ; and said bank shall be located and established in Oldtown in the county of Penobscot.

Corporate
name.

Location.

Rights and re-
strictions.

SECT. 2. Said corporators are hereby authorized and empowered to exercise all the rights and privileges conferred upon similar corporations by the laws of this state and subject to all the liabilities and restrictions thereof.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved April 9, 1852.]

Chapter 572.

An act to incorporate the Prospect Benefit Society.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Crawford S. Fletcher, Isaac Lamphen, Nathan N. Martin, True Green, Alexander S. Segar, Daniel G. Ames, to-