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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.

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the county of Penobscot, shall be allowed to take and use the name of Abba Frances Spearin; and said persons from and after this act shall take effect, shall be known and called by the names which they are respectively allowed to take as aforesaid, and the same shall hereafter be considered as their only true and proper names.

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

[Approved April 24, 1852.]

### Chapter 642.

An act to incorporate the Proprietors of Portland Pier.

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

SECT. 1. The share holders in the proprietary corporation now existing in the city of Portland, known by the name of the Proprietors of Portland Pier, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the same name, and shall have such powers and privileges, and be subject to such duties and liabilities, in maintaining, managing and disposing of their joint property, as are provided in the case of general corporations by the laws of this state.

Corporate name established.

Rights and privileges.

SECT. 2. Upon the acceptance of this act, the corporation hereby constituted shall be entitled to recover and receive, in its own name and to its own use, all demands now due to said proprietary corporation, and shall be subject to, and held to discharge all liabilities now existing against the same, and to fulfill and perform all such contracts heretofore entered into, by the same, as have not hitherto been fully executed and performed.

Power to collect and discharge debts, &c., of the proprietary corporation.

SECT. 3. The corporation hereby constituted, shall, upon the acceptance of this act cause its property to be divided into shares, and shall establish such a par value of said shares as will justly and suitably represent the value in money of the several shares, in proportion to the value of the whole property, and shall distribute and assign the said shares to the individual shareholders and members, according to their several interests in the property. The property of said corporation, both real and personal, shall not at any one time, exceed the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and the said corporation may, at any

Shares, value and distribution of.

Capital stock.

**CHAP. 643.**

New shares.

time, create and dispose of new shares for the purpose of increasing the capital stock to the amount hereby authorized; but the shares shall not be liable to further assessments beyond the par value established as aforesaid.

Taxes.

SECT. 4. All the property of the corporation hereby constituted, shall be taxed to the corporation, by the assessors of Portland, as real estate, and the individual shares of members shall not hereafter be subject to taxation. But for all other purposes, the individual shares of members shall be considered as personal estate.

Power to extend wharf, &amp;c.

SECT. 5. The said corporation is hereby authorized to enlarge and improve its wharf, by extending and maintaining the same, for such distance, below low water-mark, as it may deem expedient, but not further than Custom House wharf now extends, but not so as to interfere with the property in any existing wharf.

Acceptance of act.

SECT. 6. This act may be accepted by a majority of the members present at a meeting of the present proprietors of Portland Pier. Such meeting shall be called by the person now acting as clerk of said proprietors, by delivering a written notice thereof to each one of said proprietors; or leaving such notice at their several last and usual places of abode, fourteen days, in either case, before the day of such meeting. Such notice shall state the object of said meeting, and if any proprietor shall not there reside nor be within this state, it shall be sufficient to direct a written notice to him, by mail, within the time aforesaid, and for the purpose of calling and holding such meeting. This act shall take effect, upon its approval by the governor.

Meeting, how called.

[Approved April 24, 1852.]

**Chapter 643.**

An act to incorporate the Kenduskeag Plank Road Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Charles W. Piper, Elhanan Garland, Daniel Sanborn, James O. Tilton, Dudley F. Leavitt, Abraham Sanborn, Edmund W. Flagg, and Chauncey Cochran, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby incorporated into a body corporate by the name of the Kenduskeag Plank Road Company and by that name may sue and be sued and have and enjoy all the powers and privileges of railroad corporations in this state.

Corporate name.

Powers and privileges.