

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1853.

An act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Central Wharf in Portland.

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

Shareholders
incorporated.

SECT. 1. The shareholders in the proprietary corporation now existing in the city of Portland, known by the name of the Proprietors of Central Wharf, 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, acquiring and disposing of their joint property, as are provided in the case of general corporations by the laws of this state.

Powers,
privileges, &c.

Authorized to
collect and
discharge
demands, &c.

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.

Property,
how taxed.

SECT. 3. 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.

Shares
deemed
personal
estate.

Authorized to
purchase
wharf, &c.

SECT. 4. The said corporation is hereby authorized to purchase of the present proprietors the wharf, docks and flats in the city of Portland, bounded easterly by the westerly line of the dock of the proprietors of Long Wharf, and westerly by the easterly line of the flats lately owned by Elias Thomas and Asa Clapp, and to hold, improve and enjoy the same, as thus bounded, for the purposes of a wharf and docks to such a distance below low water mark as they may deem expedient, not exceeding one hundred feet beyond the platform now erected at the end of the wharf, and to widen, maintain and extend their wharf as said proprietors may think proper, not exceeding the distance above limited, and so as not to interfere with the property in any existing wharf; *provided, however,* that said wharf shall not be extended in length below low water mark further than the same is now in process of erection, and shall not be more than one hundred feet in width, with pile platforms at the sides and at the end of said wharf, not exceeding twenty-five feet each in width, without the assent in writing of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Portland.

Boundaries.

Rights, &c.

May extend
wharf, &c.

Proviso.

SECT. 5. The corporation hereby constituted shall, upon the acceptance of this act, cause its property to be divided into 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 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.

Shares.

—how disposed of.

Property not to exceed \$100,000.

New shares.

SECT. 6. This act may be accepted by a majority of the members present at a meeting of the present proprietors of Central Wharf. 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 last and usual place 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 then 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.

Act, how accepted, &c.

Meeting, how called, &c.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect upon its approval by the governor.

[Approved March 18, 1853.]

Chapter 91.

An act to incorporate the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company.

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

SECT. 1. That J. B. Foster, Rufus Dwinal, Daniel White, Jonathan Eddy, Joab W. Palmer, Franklin Adams, Samuel F. Hersey, Waldo T. Pierce, John T. K. Hayward, Orlando W. Gilman, Walter Brown, Seth Paine, Eben Blunt, Davis R. Stockwell, Benjamin F. Brown, Benjamin Johnson, George W. Smith, C. D. Jameson, Ebenezer Webster, Henry Spencer, Eliphalet Gullifer, A. C. Buffum, Charles Buffum, Nathaniel H. Allen, and Ephraim Paulk, their associates and successors, be and they are

Corporators.