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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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1853.

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purchase
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their business, and may remove obstructions to the navigation of the said waters, paying such damages as are caused by their said works to the owners of any lands, and if they shall find it necessary to take, for the purposes aforesaid, any land not their own, if they cannot agree with the owner as to the amount of damages to be paid therefor, the damages shall be determined by the county commissioners under the same limitations and restrictions as are by law provided in case of damages in laying out highways.

SECT. 3. The said corporation shall at their own expense make all the necessary alterations and changes in the bridges and highways rendered necessary for their operations; and if any such shall be made on their account by the town of Newport, they shall pay the expenses thereof to the said town, and all the expenses of maintaining thereafter such bridges more than what would be required to maintain them in their present form and place, and all other expenses the town will be subjected to by reason of said charter.

SECT. 4. Said works shall be completed, and the navigation by such boats in operation, within five years from the first day of May next; otherwise the right to such exclusive navigation under this charter shall cease; and whenever the town of Newport shall be desirous to purchase the interests of the said company under this charter, it shall be made over and transferred to that town on payment to the company of the amount that shall have been expended by the company under the charter and interest, deducting amounts received by the company.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved March 26, 1853.]

Chapter 134.

An act to incorporate the town of Veazie.

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

Territory
set off.

Boundaries.

SECT. 1. The territory, with the inhabitants thereon, of that part of the city of Bangor situate and being within the following boundaries, namely: commencing at the Penobscot river, on the westerly side thereof, on the westerly line of original settlers' lot numbered twenty-nine on the plan of the town of Bangor, by Park Holland; thence northerly, binding on said westerly line

of said lot, to the northerly end of said lot; and thence continuing the same course to the centre line of the Stillwater Avenue, so called; thence easterly, binding on the centre line of said avenue, to the southerly line of the town of Orono; thence southerly, binding on the southerly line of said Orono, to the river aforesaid; thence westerly on the said river to the place begun at, be and the same hereby is incorporated into a town by the name of Veazie, and vested with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties and liabilities, of the other towns in this state.

Corporate
name.

SECT. 2. The city of Bangor shall retain, own and possess all the property which at the date of this act belongs to and is situated within the limits of said city, and the said town of Veazie shall retain, own and possess all the property which at the date of this act belongs to and is situated within the limits of said town; and a committee of three disinterested persons shall be appointed, one to be selected by said city, and one by said town, and the other by the persons so selected, to appraise the true value of said property within the limits of said city and town respectively; and in case the debts and liabilities of said city shall exceed, according to the appraisal of said committee, the value of the property by the said city retained, owned and possessed as aforesaid, then the said committee shall determine upon just and equitable principles the proportion of the excess of said indebtedness and liabilities of said city that shall be paid to said city by the inhabitants of Veazie; and if the value of said property so ascertained shall exceed the amount of indebtedness and liabilities of said city, as aforesaid, said committee shall determine upon just and equitable principles the proportion of the excess of said property which inhabitants of Veazie shall be entitled to receive, which the said city shall be bound to pay. The compensation of said committee shall be paid by said city and town in such proportion as shall be determined by said committee. All paupers now supported by the city of Bangor, or which may hereafter become chargeable to said city by reason of settlement gained in the territory included in the town of Veazie, shall be hereafter supported by and chargeable to said town of Veazie.

Property of
Bangor and
Veazie, how
distributed.

Appraisers.

If liabilities
exceed amount
retained, &c.

If amount
retained
exceed
liabilities, &c.

Appraisers,
compensation
of.

Paupers.

SECT. 3. The said inhabitants of Veazie shall be holden to pay all the taxes which have been legally assessed upon them by said city of Bangor prior to the date of this act; and the collector of taxes for said city is hereby authorized to collect and pay over all taxes already committed to said collector according to his warrant.

Taxes.

CHAP. 135.First meeting,
how called.

SECT. 4. Any justice of the peace in the county of Penobscot may issue his warrant to any legal voter in said town of Veazie, directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at a time and place specified in said warrant, for the choice of town officers, and to transact such other business as the towns in this state are authorized to do at their annual and other meetings.

Representative
classification.

SECT. 5. The inhabitants of said Veazie shall be classed with said city of Bangor for the choice of representative to the legislature, unless and until the legislature otherwise order.

Act to take
effect.
Proviso.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor, *provided, however*, that this act of incorporation shall be accepted by two-thirds of the legal voters resident within the limits of said town, whose names are on the check list of ward seven in the city of Bangor for the March election of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-three, at a meeting called for that purpose and held before the first day of September next, of which notice of the time and place shall be given by publication in the Whig and Courier, Mercury, Jeffersonian, and Democrat, by one or more publications, at least seven days before the day of meeting, such notice to be signed by any three of the petitioners for said town, and if not so accepted this act shall not take effect.

[Approved March 26, 1853.]

Chapter 135.

An act to set off certain persons from Avon to Strong.

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

Persons, &c.,
set off.

SECT. 1. Alanson Sweet and Henry W. Wormwell, together with their homesteads, situate in the town of Avon, in the county of Franklin, and State of Maine, are hereby set off from said town of Avon and annexed to the town of Strong.

Debts, &c.

SECT. 2. The said Sweet and Wormwell shall each pay to the town of Avon his proportion of the debts of said town of Avon outstanding at the time when this act takes effect.

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

[Approved March 26, 1853.]