

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

EXTRA SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 1853,

AND THE

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1854.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1854.

Chapter 271.

An act to revive the act establishing the "Belfast Steamboat Wharf Company," and to authorize the owners of said steamboat wharf to maintain said wharf.

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

The present owners of the steamboat wharf at Belfast are hereby authorized to organize under an act of incorporation granted to Thomas Marshall, approved March third, eighteen hundred forty-three; and said act is hereby revived in their behalf, and the present proprietors are hereby authorized to maintain their said wharf as now constructed, and to avail themselves of all the provisions of said act of March third, eighteen hundred forty-three, as fully and completely as if they had organized under the same and built said wharf by authority of said corporation.

Authorized to organize under act of March 3, 1843.

—to maintain wharf under said act.

[Approved March 27, 1854.]

Chapter 272.

An act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Orono Bridge.

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

SECT. 1. Nathaniel Wilson, Hiram Joy, Gideon Mayo, John Bennoch, William Lunt, W. H. Folsom, Thomas Whitney, William Colburn, Cony Foster, Nathan H. Allen, Ebenezer Webster, junior, Nathan Weston, junior, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted and created a body corporate and politic by the name of the Proprietors of the Orono Bridge, and by that name may sue and be sued, have a common seal, hold and own real and personal estate to the amount of forty thousand dollars, and dispose of the same; ordain, establish and enforce any by-laws for the management of their concerns not repugnant to the laws of this state; choose all necessary officers for the management of their affairs, and have and enjoy all the powers and privileges incident to similar corporations.

Corporators.

Corporate name.

Capital.

By-laws.

Officers.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to erect and maintain a toll bridge over the Penobscot river at any point said corporation may select between Marsh Hill, so called, on Marsh Island, and the Basin Mills, in the town of Orono, across to the town of Bradley; said bridge to

Bridge, authorized to erect.

—location.

CHAP. 272.

Bridge,
construction
of.
Right to take
real estate.

Damages, how
determined.

Toll.

—when to
commence.

—sign.

First meeting.

Grant to extend
30 years.

—when void.

be built in the most permanent and substantial manner; and said corporation shall have the right to purchase or take and hold so much of the land and other real estate of private persons and of corporations as may be necessary for the location and construction and for the convenience of access to said bridge at either or both ends of said bridge; and in case the parties cannot mutually agree upon the price to be paid for land and other real estate so taken, then the county commissioners shall view, hear and determine upon the price, in the same manner, and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in the case of damages by the laying out highways.

SECT. 3. A toll is hereby granted for the use of said corporation, as follows: for each foot passenger, one cent; for each horse and rider, five cents; each horse and wagon or sleigh, ten cents; each coach, chariot, sleigh, phaeton or other carriage of pleasure drawn by two horses, fifteen cents; or if drawn by four horses, twenty cents; each cart, wagon, sleigh or sled of burden drawn by one horse, with one driver, ten cents; or if drawn by two horses or oxen, twelve cents; each chaise, carry-all or other carriage, drawn by one horse, ten cents; neat cattle and horses not in harness or teams or rode upon, two cents each; sheep and swine, one cent each; and at all times when the toll gatherer shall not attend to his duty at said bridge, the gate shall be kept open; and said toll shall commence on the day of the first opening of said bridge for passengers; and said corporation shall at all times keep said bridge in good and passable repair; and at the place where toll shall be collected, there shall be erected and constantly exposed to view a sign with the legal rates of toll fairly and legibly written thereon.

SECT. 4. Either of the persons named in this act may call the first meeting of said corporation, by posting up notifications thereof, in two public places in the town of Orono, seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

SECT. 5. The powers hereby granted shall extend for the term of thirty years, from and after the completion of said bridge.

SECT. 6. Unless said bridge shall be commenced within three years, and completed within five years, this grant shall be void.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect on and after its approval by the governor.