

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

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AND THE

## THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE,

1854.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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**CHAP. 384.** exceeding a sum, the legal interest of which will pay for all gas consumed and used for the purpose of lighting the buildings of said companies, and the streets and buildings belonging to said town of Waterville.

First meeting.

SECT. 5. Any three persons named in this act, may call the first meeting of said corporation by notice, published in any newspaper printed in the town of Waterville, seven days at least before the day of meeting; and at such meeting, by-laws may be adopted and all necessary officers chosen for managing the affairs of said corporation.

By-laws and officers.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved April 19, 1854.]

### Chapter 384.

An act to incorporate the Ticonic Boom Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. John D. Lang, Walter Getchell, Daniel Moor, Franklin Smith, Francis B. Blanchard, Ira Crocker, Tufton Simpson, Benjamin Underwood and Asa Redington, their associates and successors, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Ticonic Boom Company, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining booms in the Kennebec river at Winslow and Waterville, for the catching, rafting, and securing of logs and other lumber belonging to themselves, or to any other persons who may require the same to be there caught, rafted or secured; and said company may purchase and hold any estate, real or personal, necessary for said purpose, and have and enjoy all the rights and privileges, and be subject to all the duties and requirements, incident to similar corporations under the laws of this state.

Corporate name.

Purposes of corporation.

May purchase and hold real and personal estate.

Power to erect booms.

SECT. 2. The company shall have power to erect and maintain a boom in Winslow between the Ticonic falls, and a line drawn west-northwest from the point where John Richards' north line strikes the highwater-mark of the river. Also in Waterville between Ticonic falls and the south line of lot number ninety-six; for the purposes aforesaid and no other; *provided always*, that their erections be so made as to allow safe and ample passage ways up and down said river for steam-

Proviso.

boats and all other sorts of boats, including the passage to the public landing in Waterville and Winslow. CHAP. 385.

SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of the corporation to have an agent whose office shall be kept in the village of Waterville and to whom applications are to be made by log owners when they wish to have their logs stopped in said booms, and on receiving such applications he shall enter the same together with the mark or marks of the logs to be stopped, in a book kept for that purpose, and a certificate that such application has been made shall be given to the applicant upon his request. Agent, office and duties of.

SECT. 4. Upon all lumber caught, rafted or secured by the owners' request the corporation shall have a lien for the toll or boomage a sum not to exceed thirty-seven and a half cents per thousand for catching, rafting and delivering below the booms, which rafting and delivering shall be done within a reasonable time. Lien for payment of toll.

SECT. 5. It shall be the duty of the company, each day, to turn out from the booms, when practicable by the use of reasonable efforts, all lumber which the owner or owners shall not have requested to be there rafted or secured; and if, by neglect of the company, this duty be not performed, they shall be bound to pay all damages thereby sustained by the owners; *provided, however,* that in no event shall there be a detention of more than twelve hours, of any lumber, belonging to persons who have not requested the same to be stopped there. Stray lumber to be turned out of booms without delay.

SECT. 6. If any person shall willfully injure any boom or work connected therewith, he shall be liable to pay the company double the damage, and also be liable to an indictment for a misdemeanor. Penalty for neglect.

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

[Approved April 19, 1854.] Penalty for willful mischief

### Chapter 385.

An act to amend the act incorporating the Hancock Mutual Insurance Company.

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

SECT. 1. The act entitled "An act to incorporate the Hancock Mutual Insurance Company," approved February sixth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, is hereby amended by inserting