

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1855.

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1855.

CHAP. 499.

Chapter 499.

An act to incorporate the Somerset Bridge Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Hiram Burrill, Levi Johnson, John D. Lang, Abner Coburn, Philander Coburn, Joseph Eaton, Samuel P. Shaw, Hiram C. Warren, Ziba Burrill, L. H. Rollins, Enos Jewell, Max. Foster, Wallace R. Tuttle, J. D. Burrill, H. G. Rendall, Samuel Rollins,

Corporate name.

and A. J. Nelson, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a corporation by the name of the Somerset Bridge Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, choose all officers and make all by-laws, necessary for the proper management of their business.

Authorized to build bridge, &c.

SECT. 2. Said corporation are hereby authorized to build, rebuild, and keep in repair, a bridge across the Kennebec river, in the county of Somerset, near Pishon's ferry, between Fairfield and Clinton, or near Herrin's ferry, between Bloomfield and Skowhegan, or at any point between said ferries, as they shall judge most for public convenience; and said bridge shall be constructed of good materials, of sufficient height from the water, and not less than twenty-four feet wide, with suitable covering and railings on each side, for the safety of passengers, and a sufficient passage way for the passage of boats, rafts, and other lumber, and shall be completed within three years, or this charter shall be void; but if so completed, no other charter shall be granted covering the limits above described for the term of twenty years.

Toll.

SECT. 3. A toll is hereby granted and established for the benefit of said corporation, according to the following rates, namely: for each foot passenger, two cents; each horse and rider, six cents; each sleigh, sled, cart, or wagon, drawn by one beast, twelve cents; each chaise, chair or sulky, drawn by one beast, seventeen cents, and each additional beast, five cents; each sleigh, sled, cart or wagon used for the conveyance of merchandise, drawn by one pair of beasts, seventeen cents, and for each additional beast, three cents; each curricule or phaeton, drawn by two horses, twenty cents; each coach or other vehicle, drawn by four horses, thirty cents; for droves of neat cattle or horses, two cents each; sheep, goats or swine, six cents a dozen; for each ox team, one person may pass free of toll, as a driver, and no additional charge shall be made for the persons actually traveling in the vehicles aforesaid, provided they are not taken in for the purpose of avoiding toll; but all persons going to, and returning from, any place of public worship on the sabbath, or to and from funerals, shall be allowed to pass said bridge free of toll; and the rates of toll herein established shall not

Certain persons exempt.

be altered without the application of said corporation to the legisla- CHAP. 500.
 ture for that purpose.

SECT. 4. Said corporation shall keep constantly exposed to view, Sign.
 at the place of receiving tolls on said bridge, a board or sign, on
 which shall be plainly and legibly printed, the rates of toll afore-
 said; and whenever the toll gatherer shall be absent, the gates shall Toll, to be free in
 absence of toll
 gatherer.
 be left open, and the bridge, toll free; and said toll shall commence
 when said bridge is first opened for travel.

SECT. 5. Any two persons named in the first section hereof, First meeting,
 how called.
 may call the first meeting of the corporation by publishing a notice
 of the time, place and purposes thereof, three weeks successively in a
 newspaper published in Waterville, and one in Showhegan, fourteen
 days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

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

[Approved March 14, 1855.]

Chapter 500.

An act to incorporate the Fairfield Bank.

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

SECT. 1. Ezra Totman, William Conner, Samuel Judkins, H. Corporators.
 C. Newhall, E. W. McFadden, Oliver Bragdon, Daniel Wells, P.
 L. Chandler, T. W. Herrick, Sumner Percival, and Samuel Doolittle,
 their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated into
 a company by the name of the President, Directors and Company Corporate name.
 of the Fairfield Bank.

SECT. 2. The capital stock of said bank shall be fifty thousand Capital stock
 \$50,000.
 dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each; and said Shares.
 bank shall be located at Kendalls' Mills, in the town of Fairfield, Location.
 in the county of Somerset.

SECT. 3. The said corporators are hereby authorized and empow- Powers and
 privileges.
 ered to exercise all the rights and privileges conferred upon such
 corporations by the laws of this state, and subject to all the liabili-
 ties and restrictions thereof.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force after its
 approval by the governor.

[Approved March 14, 1855.]