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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1856.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its ap- Chap. 613. proval by the governor.

[Approved March 15, 1856.]

Chapter 613.

An act to remedy the loss of a certain assessment of taxes in the town of Newburg.

Whereas, the valuation and assessment of taxes made by Destruction of the assessors of the town of Newburg, for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-five, were accidentally destroyed by fire on the twenty-second day of August last, and the said taxes have been re-produced and re-assessed from the rates and bills of highway taxes, which had before that time been committed to the highway surveyors.

assessment of

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

SECT. 1. In any legal proceeding touching the validity of Evidence as to any of said taxes, or pertaining to the enforcement and collec- admissible. tion thereof, it shall be lawful, notwithstanding the loss of said valuation and assessment, to offer any other suitable evidence. tending to show that the respective amounts of such taxes are just and accurate, according to the original assessment; and the same being made to appear to the satisfaction of the court or jury, the validity of said taxes shall not be called in question, validity of said because the said original valuation and assessment are not produced.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved March 15, 1856.]

Chapter 614.

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Livermore Falls Bridge.

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

SECT. 1. Ezekiel Treat, Caleb Smith, John Smith, Stillman Corporators. Read, Cyrus Knapp, Wellington Hunton, their associates. successors and assigns, are hereby constituted and created a body corporate and politic, by the name of the Proprietors of Corporate name

May hold estate not exceeding \$10,000.

Rights and privileges.

Authorized to maintain a toll bridge.

Location.

How built. Width.

Right to pur-chase and hold real estate.

Toil granted. Rates.

---when to commence. Repairs, &c. Rates of toll to be exposed to

First meeting, how called.

Powers grante d by this act to extend twenty-

Chap. 614. the Livermore Falls Bridge, and shall be and hereby are made capable by that name, to sue and be sued; to have a common seal; to have, hold and own real and personal estate, to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars; to ordain, establish and enforce any by-laws for the management of their concerns, not repugnant to the laws of this state, and to choose all necessary officers for the management of their affairs; and shall also have and enjoy all powers and privileges incident, belonging to, or usually granted to similar corporations.

> SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to erect and maintain a toll bridge over the Androscoggin river, at any point said corporation may select, which shall be within one-half of a mile either way of Livermore Falls. Said bridge shall be built of suitable materials, in a permanent and substantial manner, not less than twenty-four feet wide, inclusive of the rails on each side, and shall in all respects be made safe and convenient for the passage of travelers. corporation shall have the right to purchase, or purchase 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.

> A toll is hereby granted for the use of said corporation, as follows: for each foot passenger, two cents; for each horse and rider, five cents; for each horse and wagon or sleigh. ten cents; for each coach, chariot, sleigh, phaæton or other carriage of pleasure, drawn by two horses, fifteen cents; or if drawn by four horses, twenty cents; for each cart, wagon, sleigh or sled of burden, drawn by one horse with one driver, ten cents; neat cattle and horses, not in harness or teams, or rode upon, two cents each; sheep and swine, one cent each; and said tolls 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 repair; and at the place where a toll shall be collected, there shall be kept 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 East Livermore, seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

> The powers hereby granted, shall extend for the term of twenty-five years from and after the completion of said

bridge, unless this act shall be sooner altered or repealed by Chap. 615. the legislature.

five years after bridge, &c. Time for erection of said bridge limited.

SECT. 6. Unless said bridge shall be erected and finished within three years from the passing of this act, this grant shall be void.

This act shall take effect from and after its ap-SECT. 7. proval by the governor.

[Approved March 18, 1856.]

Chapter 615.

An act to incorporate the town of Littleton.

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

SECT. 1. The half township known as Williams College Territory Grant, and the half township known as Framingham Academy Grant, all in the county of Aroostook, with the inhabitants thereof, are hereby incorporated into a town, by the name of Name, powers and duties. Littleton, with all the powers, and subject to all the duties of incorporated towns in this state.

This act shall go into force from and after its SECT. 2. approval by the governor.

[Approved March 18, 1856.]

Chapter 616.

An act to reduce the capital stock of the Veazie Bank of Bangor.

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

The president, directors and company of the Authorized to Sect. 1. Veazie Bank, are authorized to reduce the capital stock of stock \$100,000. said bank the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, on or before Time limited. the first day of September next; and it shall be the duty of the Duty of cashier. cashier within ten days after the vote of said corporation for said reduction, to file a certificate thereof, under oath, with the secretary of state.

The capital stock remaining after the reduction, Capital stock under this act, shall be and continue the permanent capital of permanent stock. said bank; and the number of shares shall remain the same, to Number of