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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.

pair at all times, and at the place or places for collecting the toll, there shall be put up and kept constantly exposed to view, a sign with the legal rates of toll fairly and legibly written public view. thereon.

Rates of toll to

Said bridge shall be erected and completed in five years from the time of the passage of this act, otherwise this charter shall be void.

Bridge, when to be completed.

Either of the corporators named in this act, is First meeting, hereby authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, which meeting shall be held in Hallowell, and may be notified by posting up notices in two or more public places in said Hallowell, and in Chelsea, seven days at least before the time fixed for the meeting, and also by publishing the same in the Hallowell Gazette, three weeks in succession before the time of said meeting.

SECT. 7. As soon as said bridge is completed and opened for travel, the corporation shall pay to the proprietors or corporation of the Hallowell ferry, at Hallowell, such sum as may be awarded by the county commissioners of the county of Kennebec, as the value of the ferry property at that time, and upon such payments being made, the said ferry property shall become the property of this corporation, and all the rights, powers and privileges of said ferry company from that moment shall cease.

Corporation, Hallowell Ferry Company.

Said corporation may purchase and hold so much Authorized to real estate upon each bank of the Kennebec river, at the point &c. selected for the construction of their bridge, as may be necessary for its location, construction and convenience.

Ferry property under certain conditions.

This act shall be in force from and after its ap-SECT. 9. proval by the governor.

hold real estate.

[Approved April 10, 1856.]

Chapter 676.

An act to establish and maintain a high school, in school district number one, in the town of Saco.

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

The inhabitants of school district number one in Inhabitants of the town of Saco, are hereby authorized to establish and main-school district No. 1, authorized tain a high school in said district, whenever a majority of legal high school. voters present and voting at a meeting of the inhabitants of such district legally called for the purpose, shall so determine.

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NEW YORK, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LONDON TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

CHAP. 677.

May raise money for the support of the school, &c.

For this purpose, said inhabitants, at any meeting legally called, may raise such sum of money in addition to their proportion of the school money raised by the town, as may be necessary for the support of such high school within said district. They may make such regulations, and select such persons, as they may judge necessary for the government and supervision of such high school.

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

[Approved April 10, 1856.]

Chapter 677.

An act granting certain privileges to the New York, Newfoundland and London Telegraph Company.

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

Exclusive privileges during the term of twenty-five years, after telegraphic communication between America and Europe shall be established.

For and during the term of twenty-five years, from and after the time when the New York, Newfoundland and London Telegraph Company, incorporated by the legislature of Newfoundland, for the purpose, among others, of establishing a line of telegraphic communication between America and Europe, by way of Newfoundland, shall have established, with or without the aid of an associated line or lines, a telegraphic communication between America and Europe, and so long during said twenty-five years as such communication shall be regularly maintained by said company, and all matters passing thereon for the United States, be transmitted through the State of Maine upon the lines of the American Telegraph Company, as lessees of the Maine Telegraph Company, no other person or persons, body or bodies, politic or corporate, shall be permitted to extend to, enter upon, or touch any part of the State of Maine, or the coast thereof, or of the islands under its juris. diction, with any telegraphic cable, wire or other means of telegraphic communication, from any other province, state, county or place whatever, beyond the continent of America. Provided, however, this act shall be void unless said New York, Newfoundland and London Telegraphic Company, shall establish such line of communication between Europe and America as herein provided, within five years from and after its approval.

Proviso. Act to be void unless such communication shall be established within five years.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved April 10, 1856.]