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### ACTS AND RESOLVES

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PASSED BY THE

## FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

### STATE OF MAINE.

1861.

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## PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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Sect. 2. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise all rights and privileges conferred upon such corporations by the laws of this state and subject to all the liabilities and restrictions thereof.

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Powers, privileges, &c.

The first meeting may be called by any three persons Sect. 3. named in this act by posting up in three public places in said Southport, notice of the time and place at least ten days before such meeting, at which the members present may elect all necessary officers, fix their compensation and manage their own affairs in any way not repugnant to the general laws of this state relating to such companies.

First meeting. how called.

Officers, election of.

Sect. 4. No policy shall be issued by said company until application for insurance shall be made by at least fifty persons.

Policies, when to be issued.

This act shall take effect when approved.

[Approved February 7, 1861.]

#### Chapter 20.

An act to incorporate the Bath and Boston Steam Navigation Company.

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

John Patten, Henry W. Owen, Edward K. Harding, Corporators. John Hayden, Levi W. Houghton, Oliver Moses and David Patten, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Bath and Boston Corporate Steam Navigation Company, for the purpose of carrying on the business of navigation by vessels propelled by steam or otherwise to and from the port of Bath, in the State of Maine, to and from the port of Boston, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the port of New York, in the State of New York, with power to purchase and hold real estate and personal property not exceeding in May hold real value five hundred thousand dollars, and with all the powers and estate. privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities provided by the general laws of the state.

Powers.

The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed Capital stock. Sect. 2. five hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred Shares. dollars each; every person subscribing to said stock shall be personally liable to pay assessments thereon not exceeding one hun-stockholders. dred dollars per share.

Sect. 3. The company shall have power to make and adopt all needful by-laws not inconsistent with the general laws of the state.

This act shall take effect from and after its approval First meeting, by the governor, and any two persons named in this act may call

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the first meeting of said corporation for the purpose of organizing the same by giving notice thereof by publication in some newspaper printed in Bath, at least seven days before the time appointed for said meeting.

[Approved February 12, 1861.]

#### Chapter 21.

An act to authorize the sale of the old congregational meeting-house in Windham.

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

Meeting of pew-owners, how called. SECT. 1. Any five owners of pews in the "old congregational meeting-house," so called, situated in the town of Windham, in the county of Cumberland, may in writing apply to some justice of the peace in said town of Windham, to issue his warrant appointing a time and place for the owners of said meeting-house to meet for the purpose of making a sale of said meeting-house and the land belonging to the same, and said application shall set forth specifically the object of said meeting, and the meeting thus called shall be empowered to adopt such measures in regard to the ojects so set forth and choose such officers to carry them into effect as a majority of said owners present at such meeting may determine.

—and for what purpose.

Apprisal of pews, &c., to be made.

—how made.

Proceeds, how appropriated.

Sect. 2. Before any sale of said meeting-house shall be made under the foregoing section, an appraisal of the relative value of the pews and the pew rights in said house shall be made and the owners of such pews and rights as far as practicable, be ascertained by three discreet and disinterested persons under oath to be elected by ballot at any legal meeting of said owners; and the proceeds of the sale of said house and land shall be applied first to pay the expenses of said sale; second to the payment of all debts and just claims against said property; and the balance which may remain shall be paid to the owners of pews and pew rights in said house in proportion to their respective interests as determined by the appraisal aforesaid.

Meeting, how notice is to be given.

SECT. 3. The justice of the peace to whom the application is directed, may issue his warrant to any one of the applicants, directing him to notify a meeting as aforesaid, and the person to whom the warrant is directed may notify such meeting by posting a written copy of such application and warrant on said meeting-house in the usual place of posting notice, and at one other public and conspicuous place in the precinct where said house is situated at least fourteen days before the time appointed for such meeting; or notice may be given by publishing said application and warrant