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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

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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petition some justice of the peace to call the first meeting, as pro- Chap. 35. vided in section ten,

[Approved February 19, 1861.]

Chapter 35.

An act concerning the Proprietors of the Upper Bridge on Eastern river.

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

Sect. 1. The Proprietors of the Upper Bridge on the Eastern river are hereby authorized to re-construct their bridge over the said river, on the site now occupied by them, of good and sufficient material, not less than twenty-two feet wide, with a sufficient railing on each side for the safety of passengers, and in re-constructing the said bridge, instead of conforming to the existing provisions respecting the navigation of said river, and in lieu thereof, it shall be their duty to leave over the channel of the said river, the width of twenty-eight feet free from piers, or any other obstruction, except a convenient and suitable draw, which shall be attended at all hours of the day by some suitable person, at the expense of the proprietors.

Authorized to re-construct bridge.

-how constructed.

SECT. 2. The duration of the charter of the said proprietors is hereby extended thirty years, and at the end of the said term, all interest in the corporate property, both real and personal, shall continue to rest in the said proprietors, with power to dispose thereof, and the proceeds shall be divisible among them, ratably, in proportion to their shares, provided however, that when satis- Proviso, factory proof shall be given to the supreme judicial court at any time after the expiration of five years from the date of this act. that funds sufficient for the purchase of said bridge and franchise at their fair value, to be determined by three disinterested persons to be appointed by said court on notice and hearing of parties, have been raised upon the payment of the amount of the appraisal to the treasurer of the corporation by any individual, town or towns, or association, said bridge shall be free.

Charter extended.

Corporate property, how vested, &c.

[Approved February 20, 1861.]