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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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CHAP. 36.

Chapter 36.

An act to enable the inhabitants of the town of Howland to petition the court of county commissioners to discontinue a highway.

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

Authorized to petition county commissioners for discontinuance of certain highway.

—commissioners shall hear and adjudicate upon same.

Petitioners may appeal.

SECT. 1. The selectmen of the town of Howland may petition the county commissioners of Penobscot county, in the mode prescribed by law to discontinue the highway laid out and leading from the line of the town of Lagrange, through the said town of Howland to the mouth of Piscataquis river, known as the Meadow Brook road. And the said commissioners shall hear and adjudicate upon the same in the manner prescribed by law, anything contained in chapter eighteen, section thirty-six of the revised statutes and as amended by act approved April fourth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, to the contrary notwithstanding. And the petitioners may appeal in the same manner as is now provided by law.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor.

[Approved February 21, 1861.]

Chapter 37.

An act to incorporate the Maine Board of Trustees for Temperance.

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

Corporators.

Corporate name.

May hold real and personal estate.

SECT. 1. Neal Dow, Anson P. Morrill, Eben Steele, William W. Thomas, George Downs, Samuel W. Pope, Francis M. Sabine, Eli Jones, Sidney Perham, Edward E. Bourne, C. A. Stackpole, Nathaniel Pease, Daniel B. Randall, Orren B. Cheney, Henry B. Hart, Allen Haines, Darius Forbes, John S. Kimball, Joseph B. Hall, James M. Lincoln and William Senter, their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated and made a body politic by the name of the Maine Board of Trustees for Temperance.

SECT. 2. This board for the purpose of advancing the cause of sobriety by supporting agents and diffusing by means of tracts and through the press a knowledge of the importance of temperance to the welfare of the community may receive and hold any real or personal estate whether by donation, bequest or otherwise, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, said estate to be faithfully appropriated to the purposes and objects aforesaid ; and said corporation shall have power to sell, convey, exchange or

lease all or any part of their property for the benefit of their friends.

SECT. 3. Said board shall choose by ballot from among themselves or others, an executive committee consisting of not less than fifteen persons, whose term of office shall be for five years, and in case of death, resignation or removal, the vacancy shall be filled by said committee at a meeting duly notified for that purpose. Said committee shall annually choose from among themselves or others, a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and such other officers as they may deem expedient, all of whom shall hold their offices until others are chosen to succeed them, and shall have such powers and perform such duties as the said committee may direct. Said treasurer shall give bond with sufficient surety or sureties to be approved by said committee for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office.

Executive committee to be chosen.
 —term of office.
 —vacancies, how filled.
 Officers.
 Powers, &c.
 Treasurer to give bond.

SECT. 4. All contracts and deeds which the said board may lawfully make and execute, signed by their president and treasurer and sealed with their seal, shall be valid in law to all intents and purposes.

Contracts and dues, how executed.

SECT. 5. Said corporation shall have power to prosecute and defend suits at law or equity respecting their corporate rights and property, to have and use a common seal, to make such by-laws, rules and regulations for calling future meetings, and for the management of their concerns as they shall deem expedient, provided the same are not repugnant to the laws of this state.

Powers, privileges, &c.
 By-laws.

SECT. 6. The first meeting of said board shall be within the month of February, instant, or March next, at such place as the first three persons named in this act shall designate.

First meeting.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

[Approved February 22, 1861.]

Chapter 38.

An act to reduce the capital stock of the Traders' Bank, Bangor.

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

SECT. 1. The president, directors and company of the Traders' Bank at Bangor, are authorized to reduce the capital stock of said bank twenty-five thousand dollars on or before the first day of October next; *provided* that the stockholders of said bank, at a legal meeting held for that purpose, shall vote for such reduction, and it shall be the duty of the cashier within ten days after the

Capital stock reduced \$25,000.
 Proviso.
 Cashier to file certificate with