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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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FORTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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## Chapter 135.

An act to incorporate the New England Telegraph Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Richard Palmer, Albion K. P. Bradbury, and Isaac W. Eaton, Jeremiah M. Mason, Samuel Hanson, Henry K. Bradbury, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body

Corporate name, powers, duties, &c.

corporate by the name of the New England Telegraph Company, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties provided by the general laws of this state, relating to corporations, with power by that name to sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal and the same to change at pleasure, to establish any and all by-laws and regulations for the management of their affairs not repugnant to the laws of this state, and to do any and all lawful acts incident to similar corporations. And said company shall have the right to locate and construct its lines upon and along any public highway, or bridge, or along and upon the line of any railroad, but in such manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary public use thereof; and the company may cut down any trees standing within the limits of any highway, except ornamental or shade trees, when necessary for the erection, use or safety of its lines.

By-laws.

Construction, privileges and conditions.

Location.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to construct, maintain and operate lines of telegraph from the city of Portland in the State of Maine, through the towns of Westbrook, Gorham, Buxton, Hollis, Waterborough, Alfred and Sanford to any point on the western line of the state, with branch lines of telegraph from any point on said line to any point in Oxford county.

Capital.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of said company shall be of such amount as they may, from time to time, determine to be necessary for the sole purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating the lines of telegraph hereby authorized and contemplated, and they may purchase, hold and dispose of such personal and real estate as may be necessary for these purposes.

Connections.

SECT. 4. This company shall have power by agreement with other person or persons or bodies corporate, to connect their lines with other lines of telegraph within and without the state.

First meeting.

SECT. 5. Any two of the persons named in this act of incorporation may call the first meeting of the company, by giving written and reasonable notice thereof to each of their associates.

Approved February 20, 1866.