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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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hundred and twenty, for organizing said corporation, locating Chap. 54. and surveying the route, and completing said railroad, shall be extended to the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and eighty-five.

Time for organizing corporation, locating and completing rail-

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 15, 1878.

Chapter 54.

An act to make valid the acts of the Lyndon Union Meeting-house Association of Caribou.

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

SECT. 1. The doings of the Lyndon Union Meeting-house Meeting-house Association of Caribou, and the official acts of the trustees of Caribou, doings made valid. said association, are hereby ratified and made valid.

This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 15, 1878.

Chapter 55.

An act to provide for the improvement of the navigation of the Souedchunk stream for Log Driving.

Be it enacted by the Senaie and House of Representatives in Legislature assmbled, as follows:

SECT. 1. Charles V. Lord, Alfred Veazie, John L. Cutler, Corporators. Caleb Holyoke, Eben S. Coe, Franklin A. Wilson, Gorham L. Boynton, Levi Bradley, Charles P. Stetson, James Smith, Jacob McLellan, William W. Thomas, their associates and assigns, are hereby made a body politic and corporate, by the name of Souedeliunk Dam and Improvement Company, with Corporate name. all the powers, rights and privileges of similar corporations.

The said corporation is hereby authorized to Powers and construct and maintain a dam or dams, with booms, side booms, sluices, and any other erections, and make any other improvement said corporation may deem suitable and necessary to facilitate the driving of logs down said stream; and said corporation is further authorized to enter upon and take such

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Chap. 55. land and material as said corporation may find it necessary, to make their said dam or dams, boom or booms, and other improvements; and said corporation is authorized to flow any and all land necessary, in order to raise a head of water with their dam and dams, sluices and improvements; provided, however, that said corporation shall pay to the proprietor or proprietors of any land or material so taken, such sum as said corporation and said proprietor or proprietors may agree upon; and in case the said parties shall not agree, then said corporation shall pay such damages as may be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners for the county of Piscataquis, in the same manner and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in the case of damages by laying out of public highways; and for land flowed by said corporation, the proprietor or proprietors thereof shall have the remedies as are now provided by law in case of flowing lands by the erection of a mill and dams to raise a head of water to work the mill.

Toll for logs and lumber, established.

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Toll, when cost of works is reimbursed, estab-

Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive as a toll for the passage of all logs and lumber over their said dams or other improvements, or through the same, sixtythree cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, of all the spruce, hackmatack and cedar logs and lumber, and one dollar for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, of all pine logs and lumber; and said corporation shall have a lien on all such logs and lumber until the full amount of toll is paid; but the logs of each particular mark shall only be holden to pay the toll of such mark, and if said toll is not paid within ten days after said logs or lumber shall arrive at Penobscot boom, or place of manufacture, the said corporation may sell at public auction, after ten days' public notice in some newspaper printed in Bangor, in the county of Penobscot, so much of said logs or lumber as may be necessary to pay said toll and all incidental charges.

When said corporation shall have been reimbursed, by tolls, for the costs and expenses of their works and repairs upon the same, together with interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, then the tolls shall be twenty cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, of all spruce, hackmatack and cedar logs and lumber, and thirtythree cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, of pine logs and lumber; it being the intention, after

the said works have been paid for, that no more toll shall CHAP. 56. afterwards be collected than is sufficient to keep said works in repair.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall keep an accurate account of all their expenditures and disbursements, and also of their receipts for tolls, which shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times to any person interested in the same. person owning timber land from which the timber can be who may be stockholders. hauled into said stream, shall have the right, at any time before these improvements are made, to become a stockholder in this company, and to take a number of shares bearing the same proportion to the whole that the quantity of such land he owns bears to all the land from which the timber can be conveniently hauled into said stream.

Approved February 15, 1878.

Chapter 56.

An act to prevent the throwing of refuse Lumber into the Pattens Pond stream, in Surry, Hancock county.

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

SECT. 1. No person shall cast or throw into the Pattens obstruction of Pond stream, at or below the lower mills on said stream, any slabs, bark, buttings, board or stave edgings, or any refuse lumber of any kind, or shall place, pile or deposit the same on the banks of said stream, in such negligent manner that portions thereof may fall or be washed into said stream, whereby the free course of migratory fish may be obstructed or affected, or the navigation of tide waters be obstructed or affected thereby, under a penalty for each offense, if the quantity shall not exceed one cord, of not less than five or more than ten dollars, and if the quantity cast or thrown into said stream, or which shall fall or be washed in as aforesaid, shall exceed three cords, under a penalty of not less than Penalty. twenty or more than fifty dollars, one-half of the above fine to be paid to the prosecutor, and one-half to the town wherein the offense was committed.

Pattens Pond stream, pro-hibited.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 15, 1878.