

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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CHAP. 297

Chapter 297.

An act to prevent the taking of Land-Locked Salmon and Black Bass in Moose Pond in the towns of Harmony and Hartland in the county of Somerset.

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

Taking of certain fish in Moose pond prohibited.

SECT. 1. All persons are prohibited from taking or catching any land-locked salmon or black bass in Moose pond in the towns of Harmony and Hartland in the county of Somerset, for the term of three years from the passage of this act.

Penalty for violating act.

SECT. 2. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this act, shall be fined ten dollars and costs of prosecution, on complaint and proof of said taking or catching, before any trial justice.

Approved March 18, 1880.

Chapter 298.

An act to incorporate the Canton Bridge Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Charles H. Gilbert, Dura Bradford, Otis Hayford, Hiram A. Ellis, William H. H. Washburn, Granville Child, Ronello A. Barrows, John N. Read, and Herbert F. Hayford, with their associates and successors are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of the Canton Bridge Company, for the purpose of erecting and keeping in repair a bridge over the Androscoggin river, within the limits of said town of Canton, at such place as said corporation may deem most practicable and convenient ; and the said corporation shall have power to purchase and hold such real and personal estate as may be necessary to carry into effect said object ; to prosecute and defend suits at law ; to have and use a common seal ; to make by-laws for the management of their concerns not repugnant to the laws of this state ; and to have and enjoy all the powers and privileges incident to or usually granted to similar corporations.

Corporate name, purpose, powers and privileges.

Bridge to be erected across Androscoggin river.

SECT. 2. Said bridge shall be erected across the Androscoggin river within the limits aforesaid, shall be constructed of good materials, of a suitable height from the water, and not less than twenty-four feet wide, with suitable and sufficient

covering or railing for the safety of passengers ; and sufficient passage ways shall be left for the passage of boats, rafts, logs and timber. CHAP. 298

SECT. 3. A toll is hereby granted and established for the benefit of said corporation, according to the rates following, to wit: for every foot passenger, two cents ; for each horse and rider, six cents ; for each sleigh, sled, cart, wagon, chaise, chair or sulky drawn by one beast, ten cents ; or when drawn by two beasts, fifteen cents ; and for each additional horse or beast beyond two, two cents ; for each coach, chariot, cabriolet or curricule drawn by more than two horses or beasts, twenty-five cents ; for droves of neat cattle, horses, mules or asses, three cents each ; for sheep and swine, ten cents a dozen ; and no additional toll shall be charged for persons actually travelling in any said vehicles, but this exception shall not extend to persons taken in for the purpose of avoiding toll ; and only one person as a driver to each team shall be allowed to pass free of toll ; and said tolls may be commuted by this corporation with any person or corporation by taking of him or them a sum certain for a specified time instead thereof. Persons going or returning from military duty, or to or from any place of public worship on the sabbath, or to or from funerals, shall be allowed to pass free of toll. Toll established.

SECT. 4. At the place of collecting tolls, said corporation shall constantly expose to view a board or sign upon which shall be plainly printed the rates of toll aforesaid ; and whenever the toll-gatherer shall be absent from the toll-house the gates shall be left open and the bridge toll free ; and the toll shall commence when the bridge is first opened to passengers. Rates of toll to be exposed to view.

SECT. 5. If said corporation shall neglect or refuse for the term of five years from the passage of this act to build and complete said bridge, this act shall be null and void. Act void, unless bridge is built within five years.

SECT. 6. Any three persons named in the first section may call the first meeting of the corporation by posting notice of the time, place and purpose of meeting in two public and conspicuous places in said Canton fourteen days before the time of said meeting. First meeting, how called.

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