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#### SQUARE POND RESERVOIR CO

Спар. 44.

Charter void if not operated within one year.

County commissioners to certify fact when suitable boats, etc., are provided.

Time when ferry shall be operated.

Penalty for neglect.

cents per head: but these rates may be raised or lowered by the county commissioners, after giving the parties interested reasonable notice and full hearing, if justice requires it.

SECT. 6. This charter shall be void if the steam ferry is not in actual operation within one year from the approval of this act; and when this corporation shall provide suitable boats and apparatus for said ferry, the county commissioners of Hancock county shall immediately certify that fact to the parties then operating the ferry, and notify them that all prior rights and franchises will expire on a day fixed by them in said notice, and not exceeding two weeks from the date thereof; and at the date thus fixed, all such prior rights and franchises shall expire.

SECT. 7. Said ferry shall be operated, when the weather permits, from subrise until nine o'clock afternoon, between the dates of June first and September first in each year, and from subrise until seven and one-half o'clock afternoon, between the dates of September first and June first of each year. For any unreasonable neglect or delay to transport during the hours thus named, there shall be a penalty, not exceeding one hundred dollars, to be recovered by the party injured in an action on the case.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 17, 1881.

#### Chapter 44.

An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Square Pond Reservoir Company."

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

Sec. 3 of charter of Square Pond Reservoir Co. amended. SECT. 1. Section three of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Square Pond Reservoir Company," approved February thirteen, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, is hereby amended by striking out, after the word "company," in the first line of said section, the words "shall have the right to take and hold any lands necessary for erecting or abutting their dams or canals, by paying damages therefor, as in case of lands taken for railroads, but they," and inserting instead thereof the words 'shall have the right to hold, CHAP. 44. by purchase or gift, any lands necessary for erecting or abutting their dams or canals, or for any other lawful purpose, and;' and said section is further amended by adding, at the end of said section, the words 'and said company shall never erect or maintain any dam or place any obstruction across the outlet of said Square pond known as Stiles brook,' so that said section three, as amended, shall read as follows:

'ЅЕСТ. 3. The company shall have the right to hold, by Rights and purchase or gift, any lands necessary for erecting or abutting their dams or canals, or for any other lawful purpose, and shall be subject to the general laws of the state in relation to flowage, the same as individuals are, and shall not unreasonably, as to time and quantity, discharge the water from their dams to the damage of owners of land on Stiles brook, or owners of water-power or mills on the Mousam river, or retain it therein without equitable recompense to the injury of said owners, by reason of loss to them of any benefits which they heretofore may have received from the natural flow of the waters of Square pond into the head waters of the Mousam river; and said company shall never erect or maintain any dam or place any obstruction across the outlet of said Square pond known as Stiles brook.'

Section four of an act entitled "An act to incor- sec. 4, amended. SECT. 2. porate the Square Pond Reservoir Company," approved February thirteen, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "reservoir," in the third line, so that said section four, as amended, shall read as follows:

'SECT. 4. A majority of the stockholders in said company stockholders to shall determine the time when, and the amount of water to gard to water in be drawn from said reservoir.'

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 17, 1881.

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