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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1881.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1881.

Снар. 84.

Chapter 84.

An act to incorporate the Eastern Telegraph Company.

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

Bailey, Lewis Barker, Lewis Pierce, Frederick Robie, J. L.

J. S. Winslow, George P. Wescott, James

Corporators.

Sect. 1.

H. Cobb, John T. Berry, A. F. Crockett, J. R. Bodwell, G. S. C. Dow, J. P. Bass and F. A. Wilson, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, by the name of the Eastern 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 and perform any and all other legal, and 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 or 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 fruit, ornamental or shade trees when neces-

Corporate name, rights, powers and duties.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to construct, maintain and operate lines of telegraph between the eastern and western boundaries of this state, with as many wires and branches as they may see fit, commencing and terminating at such point or points as they may select hereafter within the limits aforesaid.

sary for the erection, use or safety of its lines.

Capital stock.

Authorized to construct and operate lines of

telegraph.

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

Authorized to connect with other lines.

Sale or transfer of charter, restricted. SECT. 4. This company shall have power, by agreement with other persons or bodies corporate, to connect their lines with other lines of telegraph within and without the state; but no sale or transfer of this charter shall be made to any

other company without authority from the legislature of this Chap. 85. state.

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

This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1881.

Chapter 85.

An act to confer certain powers upon the Inhabitants and officers of the town of Eden.

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

The inhabitants of the town of Eden may make By-laws for regu-Sect. 1. by-laws and ordinances for the proper regulation and inspection of the drivers, horses, harnesses and vehicles, engaged or used in the carriage of persons for hire in the town of Eden; for the establishing the rates of fare, their routes, standing places and in other respects; and requiring all persons engaging in the business of carrying persons for hire, by horses and carriages, within said town, to obtain license therefor from the municipal officers; and fixing the terms and conditions of such licensing and a reasonable fee therefor, not exceeding five dollars, to be paid in to the town treasury; and provide for the enforcement of such by-laws and ordinances by suitable penalties, not exceeding ten dollars for each offense.

lating, inspecting and licensing public conveyances in town of Eden.

The municipal officers of the town of Eden Special constables shall have the power to appoint special constables for said town, not exceeding six in number, which constables shall have all the power of policemen in cities, and may serve warrants issued in criminal cases.

This act shall not be in force, however, unless Not in force accepted by the town of Eden, at its next annual town by town. meeting.

Approved March 3, 1881.