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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

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Chapter 208.

An Act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Ellsworth Telegraph Company.

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

SECT. 1. Tobias L. Roberts, Wm. M. Roberts and Geo. H. Grant, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created and constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Bar Harbor and Ellsworth Telegraph Company, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties provided by the general laws of this state relative to corporations ; with power by that name to sue and be sued, to have and use a company seal and to change the same at pleasure ; to establish any and all by-laws and regulations for the management of their business not repugnant to the laws of this state, and to do and perform any and all other lawful acts incident to similar corporations.

Corporators.

Corporate name.

Privileges and duties.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to own, construct, maintain and operate from some point in the village of Bar Harbor in the town of Eden, a telegraph line or lines through the town of Trenton to some point in the city of Ellsworth, and also a telegraph line or lines from said Bar Harbor by way of and through the town of Mount Desert to said Ellsworth.

Empowered to construct lines from Eden to Ellsworth, etc.

SECT. 3. For the purposes of this act, the said corporation shall have and is hereby granted the power to erect and locate its lines along and upon any highway, street or private way, and upon any bridge in either of said towns, but in such manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary public use thereof, or to lay a cable under any waters in either of said routes, and the company may cut down any trees standing within the limits of any highway or private way, except fruit, ornamental or shade trees when necessary for the erection, use and safety of its lines.

Authorized to erect lines on highways, bridges, etc.

SECT. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase or lease any telegraph line now on any portion of either of said routes, to connect its lines with the lines of any other telegraph company by contract with such company ; and to sell or lease its own lines at any time.

—to purchase or lease other lines.

SECT. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be of such an amount, not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars, as said corporation may from time to time deem necessary for

Capital stock.

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all purposes contemplated by this act, and said corporation may purchase, hold, sell and convey all real and personal property necessary for said purposes.

Damages, how estimated

SECT. 6. If the land of any individual or corporation is taken under this act and the parties cannot agree upon the damages occasioned thereby, they shall be estimated, secured and paid in the manner provided by the general laws of the state in the case of lands taken for railroads.

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

Approved February 14, 1883.

Chapter 209.

An Act to amend the charter of the Dirigo Telephone Company of Maine.

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

Charter of Dirigo Telephone Co. amended.

SECT. 1. The Dirigo Telephone Company of Maine, a corporation duly incorporated under the general laws of this state, in addition to the rights obtained thereby, is hereby authorized and empowered to carry on the business of providing practical telephonic communication by usual and proper methods, and in the prosecution thereof to locate, construct, maintain and operate acoustic, magnetic and electric telephone lines and appurtenances, and license the use of the same by others, and acquire such rights by lease or purchase from others throughout this state, submarine, under ground, upon, along and over any and all public highways, bridges and places, in such manner as not to endanger the appropriate public use thereof, railroads, canals and lands and buildings of any and all individuals, societies and corporations, with as many lines and branches, wires, posts, supports and appurtenances, and terminating at such points and places, as said corporation may deem necessary; and to remove trees and other obstacles, except that fruit or ornamental trees shall not be removed or defaced by trimming, for said purposes, and to connect by agreement with other telephone or telegraph lines.

Powers, privileges and limitations.

SECT. 2. The damages for taking land under this act, when the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid as for land taken for railroads.

Land damages, how estimated and paid.