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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 314.

An Act to incorporate the Shirley Dam Company.

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

- Corporators.** SECT. 1. Lewis F. Stratton, Frank Gilman, William Engel, Levi C. Flint and John H. Eveleth, their associates and assigns, are hereby incorporated under the name of the
- Corporate name.** Shirley Dam Company, with all the powers and privileges of similar corporations.
- Authorized to build dams, etc.** SECT. 2. The said corporation is authorized to build dams, side dams, remove rocks, and make other improvements, in so much of Piscataquis river, its branches and tributaries, as are in the towns of Shirley and Blanchard, in the county of Piscataquis, to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down the same, and for this purpose, the said corporation may take land and materials necessary to build such dams and make such improvements, and may flow contiguous lands so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water; and if the parties cannot agree upon the damages, the corporation shall pay the proprietors of the land and materials so taken, such damages shall 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 damage by laying out public highways; and for the damage occasioned by flowing land, the said corporation shall not be liable to an action at common law, but the person injured may have a remedy by a complaint for flowing, in which the same proceedings shall be had as when a complaint is made under a statute of this state for flowing lands occasioned by raising a head of water for the working of mills.
- may take lands.**
- Damages, how ascertained.**
- Damage for flowage, remedy for.**
- Tolls fixed.** SECT. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive a toll for the passage of logs over their said dams and improvements, of twenty-five cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, except for the logs put into said waters below the south line of the town of Shirley, the toll on which, shall be fifteen cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale; and said corporation shall have a lien upon all logs which may pass over any of its said dams and improvements for the payment of said tolls, but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the tolls of such
- Lien for payment of tolls.**

mark, and unless such toll is paid within twenty days after such logs, or a major part of them, shall arrive at the Penobscot boom, or place of manufacture, said corporation may seize said logs, and sell at public auction so many thereof as shall be necessary to pay such toll and costs and charges; notice of the time and place of such sale, ten days before such sale, being first given in some newspaper printed in Bangor; and when the said corporation shall, from tolls, be reimbursed for its expenditures and eight per cent interest thereon, the tolls shall cease.

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Logs may be sold.

Cost of dam, how paid.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 6, 1883.

### Chapter 315.

An Act to authorize the town of Old Orchard to loan its credit.

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

SECT. 1. The town of Old Orchard is hereby authorized to loan its credit to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars, for the purpose of making the improvements named in sections four and five of the act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Old Orchard," approved February twenty, eighteen hundred and eighty-three.

Town of Old Orchard authorized to loan its credit.

SECT. 2. Said loan may be by the notes or bonds of said town of Old Orchard, signed in its behalf by the selectmen thereof, and countersigned by its treasurer, and may be upon such time and rate of interest as the town, at a legal meeting, shall determine. Such loan shall be a lien upon the taxable property situated within the limits described in section four and five of said act of incorporation, and shall be paid by a separate tax assessed upon the polls and estates within said limits.

Loan may be by notes or bonds.

—shall be lien on property of town.

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

Approved March 7, 1883.