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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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personal, not exceeding ten thousand dollars in value, for the use, purposes and benefits of said society.

—make by-laws.

SECT. 3. Said society is also authorized to make any by-laws and regulations for the management of its affairs, not repugnant to the laws of the state.

First meeting,
how called.

SECT. 4. The first meeting of said society shall be called by Thomas Smith, Thomas Sirois, Junior, and Severe Violette, or any two of them, by giving seven days previous written or verbal notice to each of the other persons named in this act, of the time and place of holding said meeting, at which meeting all proceedings may be had for a full and complete organization of said society.

Approved February 17, 1887.

Chapter 111.

An Act to incorporate the Dixfield and Peru Bridge Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Frank Stanley, Henry O. Stanley, W. S. Chase, John R. Trask, John F. Stanley, Hiram M. Cox, Hiram A. Randall, Albion P. Marsh, William W. Wait and William S. Walker, with their associates and successors, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of the Dixfield and Peru Bridge Company, for the purpose of erecting and keeping in repair over the Androscoggin river, within the limits of the town of Peru on one side and the town of Dixfield or Mexico on the other, 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 mangement 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.

Authorized to
erect a bridge
over Androscoggin
river.

—may purchase,
etc., real estate.

Seal.

By-laws.

Bridge, how it
shall be con-
structed.

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 passageways shall be left for the passage of boats, rafts, logs and timber.

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 or sulky, drawn by one beast, ten cents, or when drawn by two beasts, fifteen cents; and for each additional horse or beasts beyond two, two cents; for each coach, chariot, cabriolet, drawn by more than two horses or beasts, twenty-five cents; for droves of neat cattle and horses, three cents each; for sheep and swine, ten cents a dozen; and no additional toll shall be charged for persons actually traveling in said vehicles, but this exception shall not extend to persons taken in to avoid 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 funerals, shall be allowed to pass free of toll.

Tolls estab-
lished.

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, shall
be printed and
exposed to view.

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

Act void if
bridge is not
built within
ten years.

SECT. 6. Any three persons named in section one, 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 towns of Peru and Dixfield, fourteen days before the time of said meeting.

First meeting,
how called.

SECT. 7. The towns of Dixfield and Peru, in the county of Oxford, or either of them, are hereby empowered to take stock in the Dixfield and Peru Bridge Company, to the amount of two thousand dollars each; provided, the inhabitants of said town or towns, shall, by a majority vote of those present at a legal meeting, called for the purpose, authorize the same.

Towns of
Dixfield and
Peru authorized
to take stock.

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Authorized to
erect piers.

SECT. 8. This corporation shall have the right to erect and maintain piers in said river to protect said bridge from ice or other floating substance.

SECT. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 17, 1887.

Chapter 112.

An Act to authorize the town of Brooks to fund its indebtedness at maturity and to issue new bonds.

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

Town of Brooks
authorized to
fund debt.

SECT. 1. The town of Brooks is hereby authorized to fund its indebtedness at maturity, and for this purpose to issue bonds, in such form and amount, and with such rates of interest, and payable at such times and in such manner as shall be determined by vote of said town, under a proper article in the warrant at a legal town meeting; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall authorize any increase in the indebtedness of said town.

--authorized to
pass votes to
carry this act
into effect.

SECT. 2. To carry into effect the provisions of this act, said town is hereby authorized to pass such votes, as may be deemed necessary and proper, to enter into and make any contract or agreement not inconsistent with the laws of this state.

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

Approved February 17, 1887.

Chapter 113.

An Act to amend section one of chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the Special Laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, as amended, relating to the Maine Wesleyan Board of Education.

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

Sec. 1, ch. 274,
Special Laws of
1849, amended.

Section one of chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the special laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, as amended by chapter four hundred and sixty-two, special laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-two, and chapter fifteen of special laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, is hereby amended by striking out after the words "to the value of," the word