

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1887.

Chapter 282.

An Act to enable the County of Sagadahoc to make free the Merrymeeting Bay Bridge and the Arrowsic Bridge.

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

SECT. 1. The inhabitants of the town of Arrowsic are hereby authorized and empowered to transfer and convey, as a gift to the inhabitants of said county of Sagadahoc, the stock and franchises of the Arrowsic Bridge Company, now held by said town, provided, that at a legal town meeting of said town of Arrowsic, a majority of the legal voters shall so vote.

Town of Arrowsic may convey bridge to county of Sagadahoc.

SECT. 2. The county of Sagadahoc is hereby authorized and empowered to maintain the bridge known as the Merrymeeting bay bridge, and to accept from the town of Arrowsic a deed of the stock and franchises of the Arrowsic bridge, and to thereafter maintain both of said bridges, free of tolls, and are hereby fully authorized to keep said bridges in repair, and to hold said bridges, with all the premises, buildings, lands and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

County authorized to maintain Merrymeeting bay bridge, free.

SECT. 3. The county commissioners of Sagadahoc county are hereby authorized to keep said bridges and the approaches thereto in repair, so that the same shall be safe and convenient for public travel, and to include in their annual estimates of county taxes, the sums necessary therefor.

Bridges and approaches, how kept in repair.

SECT. 4. This act shall be inoperative unless the legal voters of said county, shall, by a majority vote, at meetings of the several towns and municipalities in said county, duly notified and warned, to be held on the eleventh day of June, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, for the purpose of accepting, or rejecting, the provisions of this act, at which meetings the vote shall be by ballot, as follows: "free bridges, yes;" "free bridges, no." The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared as votes for town officers are, and shall be recorded by the town and city clerks, and true copies thereof, sealed and attested, shall be transmitted to the county commissioners of the county of Sagadahoc, within six days. The commissioners shall open and declare the the votes so returned, by publishing the same in the American Sentinel, in two issues of that paper. If errors appear

Act inoperative until inhabitants of county, vote to accept bridges.

—ballots, how received and counted.

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in the returns, they shall be corrected by the commissioners, by proper evidence, and if a majority of the ballots returned have "yes" upon them, it shall be deemed to be an acceptance of this act and its provisions, and this act shall then be in force; but if there should be a majority of ballots with "no" thereon, it shall be deemed a rejection of the same.

Inconsistent
acts, repealed.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 17, 1887.

Chapter 283.

An Act to incorporate the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company.

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

SECT. 1. V. R. Tuttle, Isaac C. Libby, T. B. Barrett, George W. Johnson, Amos Stevens, William Church, L. G. Lord, Benjamin Chase, Sewall Brown, J. G. Brown, Eugene Goodridge, Albion R. Chase, William Goodwin, S. P. Penney, Alpheus Nason, C. F. Packard, G. F. Barrett, E. A. Moore, A. B. Penney, M. H. Furber, E. J. Haskell, J. Q. A. Butts, George Weymouth, John Drew, and G. E. Farnham, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties, obligations and restrictions conferred and imposed by the laws of this state.

Corporators.

Corporate name.

Authorized to
construct a rail-
road.

Route.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to survey, locate, construct, operate, maintain, alter and keep in repair, a railroad commencing at and connecting with the Maine Central Railroad, and the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad, at their junction at Burnham village, in the county of Waldo, and extending thence northerly through said town of Burnham, and through the towns of Clinton, in the county of Kennebec, and Pittsfield and Canaan, in the county of Somerset.

Authorized to
build bridges.

SECT. 3. Said corporation is hereby granted the power to build all necessary bridges on the route that may be selected, across ponds, streams and rivers, navigable or unnavigable, but so as not to prevent navigation of such waters, and said