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mutually agreed upon, and in such manner as shall be approved by the railroad commissioners of the state.

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SECT. 5. If said corporation is not organized and the location of its route according to actual survey, is not filed with the county commissioners of the county in which the same is located, on or before the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in case at least one quarter part of the entire length of said road is not constructed, then this act shall be null and void as to such part of said road as is not so completed by said date.

When act shall be void.

SECT. 6. Any five of the corporators named in this act, at a meeting held for the purpose, after at least seven days' notice, in writing, given by any three of the corporators to all the others, are authorized to accept this charter and organize under it.

First meeting, how called.

SECT. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to connect its railroad with the railroad of any other company or corporation; may sell or lease its road, franchise or property, or any part thereof, either before or after its completion, to any other railroad or other company or corporation, or may unite, amalgamate or consolidate its stock with the stock of any other company or corporation, upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon, which sale, lease, consolidation or amalgamation shall be binding upon the parties thereto, when ratified by the stockholders of both corporations.

Authorized to connect with any other road

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 13, 1889.

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An Act to incorporate the Skowhegan and Norridgewock Railroad Company.

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

SECT. 1. R. B. Shepherd, Levi W. Weston, A. R. Bixby, Omar Clark, R. L. Mitchell, Albert F. Weston, W. M. E. Brown, Charles A. Marston, L. L. Walton, James P. Blunt, Hiram S. Steward, E. P. Page, W. K. Shurtleff, C. A. Harrington, John Robbins, Henry Murphy, B. P. J. Weston, C.

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D. Morrill, Turner Buswell, S. A. Dinsmore, J. O. Smith, W. H. Wildes, John L. Tenney, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Skowhegan and Norridgewock Railroad Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, and said corporation is hereby authorized to locate, construct and finally complete, alter, equip and keep in repair, a railroad from the terminus of the Maine Central Railroad in Skowhegan, or from some point on the Maine Central Railroad in Skowhegan, thence on either side of the Kennebec river, to some point on the Somerset Railroad, in or near the village of Norridgewock or South Norridgewock; and said corporation shall have all the powers, privileges and immunities, and be subject to all the duties and liabilities provided by the statutes of this state, respecting railroads.

Corporate name.

—authorized to construct a railroad.

—route.

Capital stock.

—directors, election of.

SECT. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of not more than one thousand shares of one hundred dollars each, and the immediate government and direction of the affairs of said corporation, shall be vested in not less than five, nor more than nine directors, who shall be chosen by the members of said corporation, by ballot, and shall hold their offices until others shall have been duly elected and qualified in their stead, and a majority of them shall constitute a quorum; and they shall elect one of their number to be president of the board, and he shall also be president of the corporation; and the directors shall choose a clerk, who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of his duties, and a treasurer, who shall be sworn, and also give bond to the corporation, with sureties to the satisfaction of the directors in a sum not less than twenty thousand dollars, for the faithful discharge of his trust.

Tolls, granted.

SECT. 3. A toll is hereby granted, for the benefit of said corporation, upon all passengers and property, which may be conveyed or transported on or over its road, at such rates as may be established by its directors, subject to such general laws in relation to railroad companies, as are or may, from time to time, be established by the legislature.

Powers and duties of officers.

SECT. 4. The president and directors for the time being, are hereby authorized and empowered, by themselves or their agents, to exercise all the powers herein granted to the corporation, for the purpose of locating, constructing and completing said railroad, and for the transportation of persons,

goods and property of all descriptions, and all such power and authority for the management of the affairs of the corporation, as may be necessary and proper to carry into effect the objects of this grant; to purchase and hold land, materials, engines and cars and other necessary things, in the name of the corporation, for the use of said road, and for the transportation of persons, goods and property of all descriptions; to make such equal assessments, from time to time, on all the shares in said corporation, as they may deem expedient and necessary in the execution and progress of the work, and direct the same to be paid to the treasurer of this corporation. And the treasurer shall give notice of all such assessments, and in case any subscriber or stockholder shall neglect to pay any assessment on his share or shares for the space of thirty days after such notice is given as shall be prescribed by the by-laws of said corporation, the directors may order the treasurer to sell such share or shares at public auction, after giving such notice as may be prescribed as aforesaid, to the highest bidder, and the same shall be transferred to the purchaser. And such delinquent subscriber or stockholder shall be held accountable to the corporation for the balance, if his share or shares shall sell for less than the assessments due thereon, with interest and costs of sale, and shall be entitled to the overplus if his share or shares shall sell for more than the assessments due, with the interest and costs of sale. Provided, however, that no assessments shall be laid upon any share in said corporation of a greater amount in the whole than one hundred dollars. Or, any subscriber or stockholder who neglects to pay any assessment for thirty days after notice in writing that it is due, and ten days after payment is demanded, may be sued and the amount due recovered, in an action at law, in the name of the corporation, in any court competent to try the same.

SECT. 5. The annual meeting of the members of said corporation shall be holden on such day as shall be determined by their by-laws, and at such time and place as the directors for the time being shall appoint, at which meeting the directors shall be chosen by ballot, each stockholder, by himself or proxy, being entitled to as many votes as he holds shares; and the directors are hereby authorized to call special meetings of the stockholders whenever they shall deem it expe-

Annual meet-
ings, when held.

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dient and proper, giving such notice as the corporation by their by-laws direct.

By-laws.

SECT. 6. Said corporation shall have power to make, ordain and establish all necessary by-laws.

May issue bonds, and mortgage property.

SECT. 7. Said corporation is authorized to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and to secure the same by a mortgage of its road, franchise and property, or in any other way. And the Maine Central Railroad Company, or the Somerset Railway Company, or any other railroad company, foreign or domestic, are hereby authorized and empowered to indorse said bonds, guaranteeing the payment of the principal and interest, or either, and take a mortgage of the road, franchise and property for security.

—indorsement of.

Authorized to connect with any other road.

SECT. 8. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to connect its railroad with the railroad of any other company or corporation; may sell or lease its road, franchise or property, or any part thereof, either before or after its completion, to any other railroad or other company or corporation, or may unite, amalgamate or consolidate its stock with the stock of any other company or corporation, upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon, which sale, lease, consolidation or amalgamation, shall be binding, upon the parties thereto, when ratified by the stockholders of both corporations.

First meeting, how called.

SECT. 9. The three first named corporators in this act are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of the corporation, for the purpose of accepting this act and organizing by the choice of all necessary officers, making by-laws and doing any other business that may be deemed necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this act.

When act shall be void.

SECT. 10. Unless said corporation shall complete its road by the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, this act shall be void.

Reason for granting charter.

SECT. 11. This charter is granted because the objects sought to be accomplished, cannot be fully attained and accomplished under the general laws for the formation of railroad companies.

SECT. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.