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CHAP. 173 corporation shall provide and maintain suitable draws and other necessary appliances for the passage of vessels through its tracks, lines and bridges constructed over and across such waters.'

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 14, 1895.

Chapter 173.

An Act to authorize the building of a dam at the outlet of Sebec Lake.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. David M. Greeley, Burton M. Packard, H. M. Richardson, T. H. Wyman, A. G. Crockett, S. O. Brown, J. G. Mayo, J. S. Runnals, Julian d'Este', E. S. Favor, E. P. Sampson, Frank Jordan, Alfred Bragg, C. C. Hall and H. B. Flint, with their associates, successors, heirs and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to build and forever maintain a stone dam at the outlet of Sebec lake, in the town of Sebec, in the county of Piscataquis, at the Rips, so called, near Sebec village, in such place as shall be selected by them above the old dam in said village to keep more uniform the waters of said lake.

Authorized to build a dam.

How dam shall be built.

SECT. 2. Said dam hereby authorized is to be built of stone, and is to be at least one foot lower on top, by water level, than the top of the planking above the old dam at said village, as now used ; to be provided with proper sluiceway for logs, and gates of sufficient capacity to allow the water in said lake to flow therefrom when needed for manufacturing purposes, and suitable passage way for such boats as now ply the waters of said lake, at high water or when the water from said lake is flowing over said planking. Said dam to be so constructed as to raise the outlet of said lake, keeping more uniform the waters of said lake during the summer seasons when not needed for manufacturing purposes, but so managed and controlled in so closing said sluice or passage way and gates, and in holding the waters of said lake after its construction as to give riparian proprietors and mill owners on Sebec river below said stone dam, the flow of water from said lake when needed for manufacturing purposes, and nothing in this act

—purposes of dam.

—rights of proprietors, protected.

shall be construed to give the right to hold a head of water to propel machinery on said dam or when the same is required for manufacturing purposes. And they shall further have the right to remove rocks from the channel in said lake above said dam hereby authorized, and may take land and material for building said dam, and if the parties owning said land and materials cannot agree upon the damages therefor, then said damages shall be estimated by the county commissioners for Piscataquis county as provided by law in case of taking land for public highways.

—may take land.

—damages, how estimated.

SECT. 3. In case the Sebec Dam Company repairs its dam permanently so as to hold a head of water at the present height of its dam on or before April first, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, this act shall be null and void.

When act shall be void.

Approved March 14, 1895.

Chapter 174.

An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Village Corporation.

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

SECT. 1. So much of the territory of the town of Van Buren as is bounded on the easterly side by the line dividing said town from Hamlin plantation ; on the northeasterly side by the Saint John river ; on the northwesterly side by the northwesterly side line of Michael Violette's homestead farm ; and on the southwesterly by the rear line of the river lots from the westerly corner of Michael Violette's farm as far as the line which divides said town of Van Buren from Cyr plantation ; thence following said Cyr plantation line as far as the Hamlin plantation line above mentioned, and comprising the territory upon which is situated Van Buren village in the town of Van Buren, together with the inhabitants thereon residing, be and are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Van Buren Village Corporation, with all of the powers and privileges ordinarily granted to such corporations whether the same shall be specifically mentioned in this act or otherwise.

Boundaries.

Corporate name.

SECT. 2. Said corporation, at any legal meeting called for that purpose, may raise such sum or sums of money as may

Authorized to raise money,