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OF THE

SIXTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1899.

Chapter 112.

An Act to extend and amend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company.

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

Section 1. The time within which the Castine Railway and Navigation Company shall actually commence business under its charter, is hereby extended to two years from and after February eighteen, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Section 2. Section four of chapter three hundred and fiftyseven of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended by adding the following words; 'and to build and maintain a bridge across said Union river and to construct and operate its railroad thereon, and to a connection with the Washington County Railroad at some convenient point east of said Union river, but not in a manner to unnecessarily obstruct navigation.'

Section 3. Section one of chapter one hundred thirty-eight of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eightyseven, is hereby amended by striking out of said section the following words, beginning with the word "Orrington" in the thirty-sixth line of said section, namely; "Orrington and Brewer or Dedham, Holden and Brewer, thence to some point above the Penobscot river toll bridge at Bangor, crossing the Penobscot river at Bangor so as to connect with any railroad at Bangor or Brewer," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, 'Dedham and Holden to a connection with the Bar Harbor branch now operated by the Maine Central Railroad in said Holden,'

Section 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1899.

Chapter 113.

An Act to incorporate the Monmouth Center Village Corporation.

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

Section I. The territory in the town of Monmouth, known Boundaries as Monmouth Center, which includes all that part of Monmouth, tion. including the residences named, within the following boundaries, namely: Monmouth Academy, and the residence of C. C. Richmond on North Main street, on the north; the residence of Mrs. N. C. Clifford on Clifford street, on the west; the residence

Charter of Castine rail-way extend-ed, two vears.

Section 4, chapter 357, special laws 1897, amended.

-authorized to build bridge and connect with Washington county railroad.

Section 1, chapter 138, special laws 1887, amended.

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of Messrs. Haynes and Litchfield on South Main street, on the south; and the residence of Augustus Blaisdell on Maple street and the north line of the land of Charles Bragdon on the East Monmouth road, on the east; with the inhabitants therein, is hereby created a body politic by the name of the Monmouth Center Village Corporation, with all the rights and privileges granted by the laws of the state to corporations.

Powers and

Section 2. Said corporation, within its territorial limits, is hereby authorized and vested with power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise money to defray the expense of a police and all other necessary regulations for the better security of property and the promotion of good order within its limits; for the purchase of apparatus for the extinguishment of fires; for the construction of reservoirs to supply water; and the maintenance of a fire department. Said corporation may receive, hold and manage gifts and devises for the purpose of public improvements within said territory.

How money shall be assessed.

-valuation,

Section 3. Money raised by said corporation for any lawful purpose, including that to pay any loan obtained by section two, shall be assessed upon the property and polls, within the territory aforesaid, by its assessors, in the same manner in which the town taxes are assessed. The assessors may copy the last valuation of said property made by the assessors of the town of Monmouth, and assess the tax thereon; or if the corporation shall so direct, may correct said valuations, or make a new valuation thereof according to the principles established by the last state tax, and assess the tax on that valuation, and may make abatements on taxes assessed in the same manner as assessors of towns may do.

How taxes shall be assessed.

-how collected.

-powers of the collector.

Section 4. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors of the corporation by the clerk thereof, showing the amount of money lawfully raised at any meeting, they shall proceed as soon as may be to assess the same upon the polls and estates of the persons residing, or embraced within the limits of the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates located therein of non-resident proprietors, and the assessment so made as well as the assessment of money to repay any loan of said corporation, with interest thereon, shall be certified and delivered to the collector of said corporation, who shall collect the same as town taxes are collected, and pay the same within such time as his warrant shall prescribe, to the corporation treasurer; and said collector shall have the same power and authority in collecting the taxes so assessed as a constable, or town collector, has by law for collecting town and county taxes, and shall enforce payment of the same in the same manner as a town constable, or town collector, is required to do by law, and the said corporation shall have the same Chap. 113 powers to direct the mode of collecting taxes as towns have in the collection thereof.

Section 5. All moneys received by said corporation from taxation or loan, or from any other source, shall be paid to the treasurer, and he shall receive the same and pay it out on the orders of the assessors, for legitimate expenses of the corporation, and other purposes for which it may be obtained, and shall keep regular accounts of all his official transactions, and exhibit the same to the assessors when requested, and make report to each meeting of the corporation at which officers are chosen.

All moneys paid to the treas-urer.

Section 6. Said corporation may issue its bonds for money obtained under the provisions of the second section of this act, or may issue its notes therefor; such bonds or notes shall be signed by the assessors and treasurer, and shall be upon such time, and bear such rate of interest as said corporation may find expedient.

May issue

Section 7. Said corporation at any legal meeting may adopt By-laws. a code of by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of this state, nor to its charter, for the efficient management of its affairs.

Section 8. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a clerk, treasurer, collector, three assessors and such other officers as its by-laws may provide for, and said officers shall hold office for one year from the date of their election, and afterwards until their successors are chosen and qualified, and shall severally have all the powers and authority within the limits of said corporation that similar officers chosen by towns now have or may have; said officers shall be chosen by ballot at an annual meeting to be held in the month of April, at a place and time to be designated by the by-laws of said corporation.

Officers, election and tenure.

-how chosen.

Section 9. The clerk shall record all the doings and proceedings at the meetings of the corporation.

Duty of clerk.

Section 10. The collector and treasurer shall each give bond with such sureties as the assessors of the corporation may approve of, in a sum not less than double the amount of the taxes raised as aforesaid, to the inhabitants of the corporation, for the faithful performance of their duties, and said bonds shall be approved in writing by the assessors, and thereafter deposited and retained by the clerk.

Collector and treas-urer shan give bonds.

Section 11. This charter may be accepted at any time within three years from its approval by the governor, and its rejection in any calendar year shall not prevent its acceptance in any later calendar year during the time aforesaid. H. M. Blake or C. J. Bragdon, or either of them, may call all meetings of the inhabitants of said territory previous to the acceptance of this

Acceptance

-meetings,

CHAP. 114 charter, by posting a notice, stating the time, place and objects of said meeting, in at least three public and conspicuous places in said territory, at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting, and all subsequent meetings shall be called and notified by the assessors as town meetings are called and notified, unless said corporation shall otherwise define the manner of calling and notifying its meetings.

Qualification of voters.

Section 12. Every person residing within the limits of said corporation, qualified to vote for governor, senators and representatives, shall be a legal voter at any meeting of said corporation.

Proceedings upon acceptance.

Section 13. At any meeting prescribed in section eleven of this act the legal voters shall elect a moderator and clerk, both of whom shall be sworn by some justice of the peace, for the faithful discharge of their duties, and thereupon said meeting shall proceed by ballot to vote on the question of accepting this charter, and if two-thirds of all the legal voters present and voting at said meeting, shall vote in favor of its acceptance, then it shall take effect, and said corporation may immediately after said vote is declared, proceed to the election of officers and the adoption of by-laws as provided by sections seven and eight of this act.

Powers of town, not abridged.

Section 14. This act shall not destroy or abridge any right, power or duty of the town of Monmouth.

When act shall take effect.

This act shall take effect when approved by the governor, but shall not bind the inhabitants of the territory aforesaid until its acceptance by them as hereinbefore provided.

Approved March 10, 1899.

Chapter 114.

An Act authorizing the Manufacturers Trust Company to establish a branch at Old Orchard.

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

Company authorized to establish a branch.

Section I. The Manufacturers Trust Company is hereby authorized to establish a branch at Old Orchard in the county of York.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1899.