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SWAN'S ISLAND-PLEASANT RIVER IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.

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Chapter 282.

An Act to set off Calf Island and West Black Island from the Plantation of Long Island in the County of Hancock, and annex the same to the Town of Swan's Island.

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

Section 1. Calf Island and West Black Island are hereby set Set off from Long Island. off from the plantation of Long Island in the county of Hancock, and the same are hereby annexed to, and made a part of the town of Swan's Island in said county.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 22, 1901.

Chapter 283.

An Act to incorporate the Pleasant River Improvement Company.

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

Section I. David R. Hastings, William W. Hastings, Tom Corporators. F. Hastings, and their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated into a company, under the name of the Pleasant River Improvement Company, with all the rights, powers and privileges, and subject to the liabilities of similar corporations.

Section 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be three thousand dollars, which may be increased to five thousand dollars.

Section 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to improve Pleasant river, in the towns of Bethel and Mason, in the county of Oxford, for driving purposes, and to this end may remove rocks and jams of drift wood and all other obstructions and excavate ledges in the channel thereof, and erect dams, side dams, booms and side booms, sluice ways and piers, and make such land. other improvements as may be necessary to accomplish the object of this act, and may enter upon and take land and materials for building said dams and making said improvements, and flow contiguous lands so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water for driving purposes. But nothing shall be done by way of improvement, under this charter, across the homestead farm of Mrs. Lucinda E. Bean, lying in said Bethel, which shall change the course of said river or permanently injure the land of said injure property of Mrs. Bean aforesaid abutting thereon; and no dam or other structure shall be made by which any of her bridges as now built, shall be injured or rendered impassable.

Corporate name.

Capital stock.

Authorized to improve Pleasant river.

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PLEASANT RIVER IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.

CHAP. 283 Liable for all damages.

-how determined.

Tolls established.

—shall have lien on logs for payment.

Water shall not be held back.

First meeting, how called.

Section 4. For all damages from flowage, for materials and land taken or arising from any other cause, said corporation shall pay an adequate compensation; such damages, except those arising from flowage, may be determined by the county commissioners of said Oxford county, in the same manner and under the same conditions as are provided in the case of damages by the laying out of public highways; and for lands flowed by said corporation, the owners shall be entitled to the same remedies as are now provided by law in cases of flowing lands by erection of dams for mills; and in either case, the corporation shall not be liable to an action at law.

Section 5. Said corporation may demand and receive a toll of twenty-five cents per thousand feet, board measure, for all logs and timber, and fifteen cents per cord for all wood, that may pass by or over said improvements in said town of Mason, but no toll shall be collected on such logs, timber and wood as may be landed and driven on that part of said river which runs through said Bethel; and said corporation shall have a lien, which is hereby created, on such logs, timber or wood, to secure the payment of said toll for sixty days after said logs, timber or wood arrive at their place of destination for sale, manufacture or consumption, to be enforced by attachment as liens for driving logs are enforced, or said toll may be recovered in an action on the case.

Section 6. Said corporation shall not hold back and retain any of the water of said Pleasant river, except during such times as may be necessary for driving logs, wood or lumber, as provided in this act.

Section 7. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any corporator herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode, at least seven days before the time of meeting.

Approved February 26, 1901.

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