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Section 4. At the place of collecting tolls, this corporation, or the corporation formed by such union or consolidation, shall keep constantly exposed to the public view a board or sign upon which shall be plainly printed the rates of toll aforesaid; and whenever the toll gatherer shall be absent from the toll house, the gates shall be left open and the bridge toll free, and said toll shall commence on the day when the bridge is first opened for passengers.

Section 5. If this corporation or a corporation formed by the union or consolidation of this corporation as provided for in this act, shall fail to begin the erection of such bridge within four years from the approval of this act, and to have the same ready for use by the first of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight, then this act shall be void and of no effect.

Section 6. The capital stock of said corporation shall be forty thousand dollars, which may be increased to fifty thousand dollars by a vote of said corporation, and be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and said company may issue bonds to an amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock, for the construction of its bridge, to be secured by mortgage on its real and personal estate and franchise.

Section 7. Any three of the persons named in the first section of this act, may call the first meeting of the corporation intended to be formed under the provisions of this act, by giving in hand to each of the corporators, or by mailing to him a notice of the time and place of meeting for the purpose of organizing, seven days before the day of meeting.

Section 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 4, 1903.

Chapter 118.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

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

Section nine of chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended as follows: the word "eight" in the first line of said section is stricken out and the word 'ten' inserted so that said section shall read as follows:

Section 9 of chapter 154 of the special laws of 1895, amended.

Rates of toll shall be kept exposed to public view.

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Time of commencement of erection, and of completion of bridge, fixed.

Capital stock.

—may issue bonds secured by mortgage,

First meeting, how called. Снар. 119

Shall commence construction within ten years. 'Section 9. This act shall become null and void in ten years from the approval thereof, unless the corporation shall have organized and commenced the actual construction of its works under this charter.'

Approved March 4, 1903.

Chapter 119.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, entitled "An Act to establish a Municipal Court in the town of Westbrook."

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

Section I. Chapter two hundred and four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-three is hereby amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and substituting the following sections:

'Section I. A municipal court is hereby established in and for the city of Westbrook, to be denominated the municipal court for the city of Westbrook, and to consist of one justice who shall be an inhabitant of said city and a person learned in the law and of sobriety of manners. Said judge shall be appointed as provided in the constitution for the appointment of judges of municipal and police courts; and shall be, ex-officio, a justice of the peace and of the quorum for the state, and have and exercise concurrent jurisdiction with trial justices of the county of Cumberland over all matters and things within their jurisdiction, and such authority and jurisdiction, additional thereto as are conferred upon him by this act.'

'Section 2. Said court shall have exclusive original jurisdiction of all offenses against the ordinances and by-laws of said city, and of the local board of health therein, and of such criminal offenses and misdemeanors committed therein, as are cognizable by trial justices; and of all civil actions wherein the debt or damages demanded do not exceed twenty dollars, and both parties reside in said city, except when the judge of said court is interested in any such action as party or attorney; and original jurisdiction concurrent with the superior court of the county of Cumberland in all civil actions wherein the debt or damages demanded do not exceed fifty dollars, exclusive of costs, in which any party to the action or person summoned as trustee shall reside, or, if not an inhabitant of the state, shall be commorant or have a place of business, in said city.'

Westbrook municipal court established.

—judge, qualifications of.

—how appointed,

Exclusive original jurisdiction of court.

-original jurisdiction concurrent with superior count of Cumberland, wherein debt or damages do not exceed \$50.