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ACTS AND RESOLVES
OF THE
SEVENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE
OF THE
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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1903.

Chapter 229.

An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of the City of Auburn.

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

Section 1. Section two, paragraph three, of chapter one thirty-five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-five, entitled "An Act to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn," as amended by chapter one hundred and eighty-six of the private and special laws of the same year, chapter fifty-one of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-one, chapter one hundred and fifty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one and chapter sixty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by striking out the word "twenty" in the fifth line of said paragraph and inserting instead thereof the word 'ten.'

Section 2, paragraph 3, of chapter 135, private and special laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 186, private and special laws of 1875, chapter 51 of laws of 1881, chapter 152, laws of 1891 and chapter 62, laws of 1895, further amended.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 24, 1903.

Chapter 230.

An Act to incorporate the Castine Gas Company, Castine, Hancock County.

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

Section 1. W. A. Walker, W. G. Sargent, H. W. Sargent, C. W. Waldron and George M. Warren, their associates and assigns, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Castine Gas Company, for the purpose of supplying light, heat and power by the manufacture of gas in the town of Castine, with all the privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities by law incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Corporators.

—corporate name.

Section 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to carry on the business of lighting by gas such public streets in the said town and such buildings and places therein, public and private, as may be agreed upon by said corporation and the owners or those having control of said buildings and places to be lighted, and may furnish motive power by gas within said town, and may build and operate manufactories and works for providing and supplying gas, light and power, and may lease, purchase and hold real and personal estate for the purposes of the corpo-

May furnish light and power by gas.

—may hold real and personal property.

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ration to the amount of its capital stock, and to construct, lay, maintain and operate lines of pipe for the transmission of gas, underground, over, under and along any and all streets and ways, under the direction of the municipal officers of said town.

Shall repay town for damages occasioned by obstruction of streets.

Section 3. The said company shall be liable in all cases to repay to the town all sums of money that said town may be obliged to pay on any indictment or judgment recovered against said town occasioned by any obstruction or taking up, or displacement of any way, highway, railroad or street by said company in said town; provided, however, that said company shall have notice whenever such damages are claimed by said town from the municipal officers and shall be allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

—proviso.

May cross sewers, etc.

Section 4. Said company shall not be allowed to obstruct or impair the use of any public or private drain or sewer but may cross the same, being responsible to the owners or other persons for any injury occasioned thereby in an action on the case.

Municipal officers of Castine may contract with town for gas.

Section 5. The town of Castine, by its municipal officers, is hereby authorized to contract with said company from time to time as is deemed expedient for the supply of light, heat and power for said town.

Capital stock.

Section 6. The capital stock of said company shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of fifty dollars each.

—may issue bonds.

Section 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to issue its bonds in such amount and on such time as it may from time to time determine, not exceeding the amount of capital stock subscribed for, in aid of the purpose specified in this act and to secure the same by a mortgage of its franchises and property. It is also hereby authorized to lease all of its property and franchises upon such terms as it may determine.

First meeting, how called.

Section 8. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by the first incorporator, but failing to do so, either of the other incorporators may by a written notice signed by him, stating the time and place thereof, and sent by mail to his associates five days before said meeting.

Shall commence hereunder within two years.

Section 9. This charter shall be null and void unless operations shall actually commence hereunder within two years from the date of the passage of this act.

Approved March 24, 1903.