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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1903.

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any person or corporation shall be lawfully operating any street railway to any point to which this corporation's tracks extend, this corporation may enter upon, connect with and use the same on such terms and in such manner as may be agreed upon between the parties, and may acquire by purchase or lease for a term of years and operate any ferry way on the Penobscot river connecting with its roads.

Shall not be required to run cars during snow blockade.

Section 8. Said corporation shall not be required to run cars upon its road when the line of the road is blocked with snow and ice, or when the convenience or wants of the public do not demand it. And said corporation is permitted to run omnibuses instead of rail cars during such time as the tracks may be blocked.

May use existing poles, trees or structures for its wires.

Section 9. Whenever it is practicable to use existing poles or any electric light, telephone or telegraph company, or any tree or structure of any kind, for any of the wires of said corporation and the owners thereof consent to the free use of the same, or at a price satisfactory to said corporation shall have the right to use the same; and the decision as to the practicability of such use shall be left to three persons skilled in the science of electricity, one chosen by said corporation, one by the municipal officers, and the third by the two so chosen; the decision of the majority of said board shall be final and the expense of said tribunal shall be borne by said corporation. In the erection and maintenance of its poles, posts, lamps and wires, said corporation shall be subject to the general laws of the state, regulating the erection of posts and lines for the purposes of electricity.

—price, how determined.

First meeting, how called.

Section 10. The first meeting of said corporation shall be called in the manner provided in the revised statutes, chapter forty-six, section three.

Section 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1903.

**Chapter 282.**

An Act to incorporate the Lee Telephone Company.

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

Corporators.

Section 1. F. L. Riggs, H. L. Haskell, J. W. Burke, C. C. Burke and G. H. Haskell, their associates and successors, are hereby made a body corporate by the name of the Lee Telephone Company, with all the rights, powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties and obligations of similar corporations under the general laws of this state, with power by that name to sue and be sued, to have a common seal, to establish all by-laws and reg-

—corporate name.

ulations for the management of its affairs not repugnant to the laws of this state and to do and perform any and all legal acts, incident to similar corporations.

Section 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to construct, own, maintain and operate telephone line or lines anywhere in the towns of Springfield, Lee, Lincoln and Winn, all within the county of Penobscot and state of Maine, having obtained consent of the several municipalities, and said corporation shall have the right to locate and construct its lines upon and along any public highway or bridge in said towns, but in such a way as not to incommode or endanger the customary use thereof; and shall have the power to establish and collect tolls on said lines.

Location of line.

—may collect tolls.

Section 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to connect its lines with those of any other telephone company or corporation on such terms as may be mutually agreed upon, or to sell or lease its line or lines of telephone and property in whole or in part, either before or after completion to any other telephone company or corporation, as provided by law or upon such terms as may be agreed by the contracting parties, which sale or lease shall be binding upon the parties; or may purchase or lease any other line or lines of telephone upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed by the parties thereto.

May connect with other lines.

Section 4. If the land of any individual or corporation is taken under this act, and the parties cannot agree upon the damages occasioned thereby, they shall be estimated, secured and paid in the manner provided in the case of land taken for railroads.

Damages, how determined.

Section 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be of such an amount as said corporation may, from time to time determine to be necessary, but not exceeding the sum of ten thousand dollars, for the sole purpose of owning, leasing, constructing, maintaining and operating the line or lines of telephone hereby authorized and contemplated. And the said corporation may purchase, hold, lease, sell and convey all real estate and personal property necessary for the purposes contemplated in this charter.

Capital stock.

—may hold real and personal property.

Section 6. Any one of the incorporators named in this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by mailing a written notice signed by himself, postage paid, to each of the other incorporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purposes of such meeting, and at such meeting a president, secretary, treasurer and directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted, present amount of capital stock fixed, and any corporate business transacted.

First meeting how called.

Section 7. This act shall take effect when approved.