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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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**Chapter 299.**

An Act to incorporate the Northern Railway of Maine.

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

Section 1. Vincent M. Theriault of Fort Kent, Patrick Theriault of Grand Isle, Eloi R. Michaud of Frenchville, in the county of Aroostook, Edson E. Goodrich of Waterville in the county of Kennebec, in the state of Maine, and Arthur H. Lewis of the city of Chicago in the state of Illinois, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made and constituted a body corporate and politic by the name of the Northern Railway of Maine, with all the powers, rights and privileges and subject to all duties, restrictions and obligations conferred and imposed on railway corporations by the laws of the state.

Corporators.

—corporate name.

Section 2. The said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to survey, locate, construct, equip, maintain, alter and keep in repair a railway by electricity, steam, animal, water or other power, for passenger and freight transportation with such single or double tracks, side tracks, switches, turnouts, stations and appurtenances and with such poles, wires, appliances and appurtenances as may seem advisable and desirable to the said corporation between some convenient point on the line near the terminus of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad in the town of Fort Kent, in the county of Aroostook, thence in a westerly direction across the Fish river through the said town of Fort Kent, and the plantations of Saint John and Saint Francis the distance of sixteen miles more or less to a point in said plantation of Saint Francis nearly opposite the mouth of the Saint Francis river, or some other convenient point in said Saint Francis plantation as may seem to said corporation desirable. Also between said first mentioned point on the line of the Bangor and Aroostook railroad in the said town of Fort Kent, thence in a northerly and easterly direction through the said town of Fort Kent and the towns of Frenchville; Madawaska, Grand Isle and Van Buren the distance of forty-five miles more or less to some convenient point near the terminus of the said Bangor and Aroostook railroad in said town of Van Buren.

Powers and privileges.

Section 3. The said corporation is hereby authorized to cross the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad in said town of Fort Kent, make connections with said railroad at Van Buren, also make connections with any other railroads or railways on such terms as may mutually be agreed upon, and to sell its road and property either before or after it shall have been completed to

May cross tracks of Bangor and Aroostook Railroad.

—may connect with other roads.

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—proviso.

any corporation, provided said Northern Railway of Maine should deem it advisable, and on such terms as it may determine, subject to the approval of the stockholders in each corporation.

May purchase property and franchise of other corporations.

Section 4. The said corporation is hereby authorized to purchase or lease the property and franchise of any other railroad or railway corporation of the same gauge, or to purchase and hold the stock and bonds of any such corporation which have acquired or may hereafter acquire charters authorizing them to make such leases or sales and all such property, franchise, stock and bonds so acquired may be pledged or mortgaged to secure the bonds hereinafter authorized.

May acquire securities of other companies.

Section 5. The corporation to have the right and privilege to acquire by subscription or otherwise stocks, shares, debentures or debenture stock, or other interests in any company operating or carrying on any kinds of business which the corporation is hereby authorized to carry on and may sell or otherwise dispose of the same.

May receive aid, towards construction.

Section 6. The corporation may receive from any town, plantation, or from any person or persons, or body corporate, municipal or politic, aid towards the construction, equipment or maintenance of the railway line, or objects contemplated by this act, or by way of gifts, subsidies or bonuses in lands, money or securities, or by loans or by way of guarantee or by providing rights of way for such line or any part thereof, or objects free of expense to the corporation upon such terms or condition as may be agreed upon.

May take real estate, etc.

Section 7. Generally the corporation to have the authority, right and privilege to take, hold and enjoy real estate and personal property of every description, and may sell, exchange, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of the same as it may deem advisable in the interests of the corporation, and the corporation may do these and all such other things not contrary to the laws for the time being in force in the state as are incidental or conducive to the foregoing objects or any of them.

May maintain bridge across Fish river.

Section 8. Said corporation is hereby empowered to erect and maintain a bridge across the Fish river in the said town of Fort Kent, and to build and operate side tracks to any mills on the Saint John river in any of the towns named in this act, and is hereby further authorized to carry on the business of an express company and to build and maintain telephone, telegraph and pipe lines for public use.

May issue bonds.

Section 9. Said corporation is hereby authorized to issue its bonds from time to time to such an amount as may be required for the purposes as the directors may deem advisable and to

secure the same by mortgage of its road, franchises and property or in any other manner.

Section 10. The capital stock of the said corporation shall be five hundred thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each and the said corporation to have power from time to time to raise and increase its capital stock to such an amount as may be approved by the railroad commissioners of the state.

Capital stock.

Section 11. The officers of said corporation may be elected annually, the power and duties of the officers and the number constituting the board of directors shall be such as may be required or prescribed in the by-laws of the corporation.

Officers, election, powers and duties of.

Section 12. The first meeting of the said corporation may be called by two of the incorporators and by giving in hand or mailing to each of the other incorporators a written notice at least ten days before said meeting and any incorporator may act at such meeting by written proxy.

First meeting, how called.

Approved March 20, 1907.

### Chapter' 300.

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Brownville and Williamsburg Water Company.

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

Section 1. The rights, powers and privileges of the Brownville and Williamsburg Water Company which were granted by chapter one hundred and ninety-nine of the private and special laws of the year nineteen hundred and three, are hereby extended for and during the period of two years from February twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and seven, and all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted by said act may and shall be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided in said act.

Charter extended.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1907.