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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 327.

An Act to incorporate the Caribou and Washburn Street Railway.

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

Section 1. S. L. White, E. E. Haynes, R. C. Gerry, George W. Irving, severally of Caribou, Arthur R. Gould of Presque Isle and Harvey D. Eaton of Waterville, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made a corporation under the name of Caribou and Washburn Street Railway, with authority to construct, operate and maintain a street railroad for public use for street traffic for the conveyance of persons and property in the towns of Caribou, Woodland and Washburn, along and over such streets, roads and ways therein as shall from time to time be deemed best for the public conveyance by the said company, and over and across such lands as may seem to it advisable and necessary, with such single or double tracks, side tracks, switches, turn-outs, stations, structures and appurtenance and with such poles, wires and appurtenances as shall be reasonably convenient in the premises, with all the powers and privileges incident to and usually granted to similar corporations.*

Corporators.

—corporate name.

—powers and privileges.

Section 2. The municipal officers of said towns shall determine the distance from the sidewalks or the side lines of the roads at which the rails of said company shall be laid. Said corporation may appeal from any such determination to the railroad commissioners who shall, after notice, hear the parties and finally determine the questions raised by such appeal.

Municipal officers shall determine where rails may be laid in streets.

Section 3. Before beginning construction of its said road, the said company shall first file with the clerk of the county commissioners for Aroostook county a copy of its location, defining its courses, distances and boundaries, accompanied with a map of the proposed route on an appropriate scale, and another copy shall be filed with the board of railroad commissioners.

Shall file copy of location with county commissioners.

Section 4. Said company outside the limits of streets, roads and ways, may, for its location, construction and the convenient use of its road, for its main track line, switches, turn-outs, side tracks, stations, car barns, gravel pits, spur tracks thereto, pole lines, wires and power houses, purchase or take and hold as for public uses any land and all materials in and upon it, except meeting houses, dwelling houses, public or private burying grounds or land already devoted to railroad uses, and may excavate or construct in, through or over such land to carry out its corporate purposes, but the lands so taken for its main track line, turn-outs, switches and side tracks shall not exceed six rods in width, unless necessary for excavation and embankment

May take land for certain purposes.

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—may enter
on lands for
surveys.

—damages,
how
assessed.

Capital
stock.

Subject to
general
laws.

First meet-
ing, how
called.

Charter void
in four
years.

or material. All lands so taken, except for its main track line, turn-outs, switches and side tracks, shall be subject to the provisions of section sixteen of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes. It may enter upon any such lands to make surveys and locations. All such lands shall be taken and the damages therefor assessed as provided in chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and five as the same may be amended from time to time, and after such lands are so taken possession thereof may be had for said corporate purposes by said company, but title thereto shall not vest until payment is made therefor as by law required.

Section 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fixed from time to time as it may vote, but shall not exceed one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. It may issue its bonds in such amounts and on such rates and times as it deems expedient, and secure the same by appropriate mortgages upon its property and franchises. It is also hereby authorized to lease or sell all of its property and franchises upon such terms as it may determine and the lessee corporation is hereby authorized to join in such lease or sale.

Section 6. All the general laws of the state relating to street railroad corporations, except as modified by this charter, are hereby made applicable to the said corporation.

Section 7. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by any two of said corporators, giving actual notice in writing to their several associates. Any corporator may be represented at such meeting by proxy or power of attorney.

Section 8. This charter shall be null and void unless operations for building said railroad shall have been actually commenced within four years from the time when this act shall take effect.

Section 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1907.