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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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damages to said corporation, to be recovered by an action before any court of competent jurisdiction.

Section 14. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any corporator named therein and served upon each corporator by a copy of the same in hand or left at the last place of abode seven days, at least, before the date of the said meeting.

First meeting, how called.

Approved March 12, 1909.

Chapter 132.

An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Lakes and Megantic Railroad Company.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Lucius Tuttle, Edward P. Ricker, Henry B. Cleaves, Franklin A. Wilson, Joseph W. Symonds, Seth M. Carter and Morris McDonald, and their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate under the name of the Rangeley Lakes and Megantic Railroad Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and obligations conferred and imposed by the laws of the state of Maine.

Corporators.

—corporate name.

Section 2. Said corporation shall have the right to locate, construct, equip, maintain and operate a railroad, about thirty miles in length, extending northerly from a connection with the railroad of the Rumford Falls and Rangeley Lakes Railroad Company, at a point at or near Oquossoc, in the town of Rangeley, county of Franklin, to a connection with the railroad of the Indian River Railway Company on the northerly boundary line of the State of Maine, through the towns of Rangeley, county of Franklin; township number four, range three, also called Lower Cupsuptic, county of Oxford; township number three, range three, also called Davistown, county of Franklin; township three, range four, also called Stetson town, county of Franklin; township three, range five, also called Seven Ponds, county of Franklin; and township three, range six, also called Massachusetts Gore, county of Franklin; provided, however, that said corporation is authorized to locate in adjoining towns or townships, if found necessary in the location and construction of said railroads; by such route as the directors of said corporation may select subject, however, to all the provisions of the revised statutes of the state of Maine, chapter fifty-one, section six, which are hereby made applicable to said corporation.

Rights and powers.

—location, construction, etc., of railroad.

Section 3. In case said railroad shall pass through any woodlands or forests, said corporation shall have the right to

May fell or remove trees

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through
woodlands
or forests.

fell or remove any trees or clear away any underbrush or growth standing or being within ten rods of its track as constructed and operated which for any reason obstruct or interfere with, or might obstruct or interfere with the operation of the railroad of said corporation or which might be set on fire by sparks from locomotives or otherwise, and said corporation shall pay a just compensation therefor, to be determined and recovered in the same manner as provided by law for the recovery of damages for the taking of real estate.

—damages,
how
recovered.

Section 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fixed at the first meeting of said corporation with the right to increase the same up to one million dollars, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

May estab-
lish by-laws
and regula-
tions.

Section 5. Said corporation shall have power to make, ordain and establish all necessary by-laws and regulations consistent with the constitution and laws of the state of Maine for its own government and for the due and orderly conduct of its affairs and the management of its property.

Officers.

Section 6. The officers of said corporation shall be a board of directors, a president, a clerk, a treasurer and such other officers as may be provided by the by-laws. The powers and duties of such officers shall be as prescribed in the by-laws.

May con-
nect with
other rail-
roads.

Section 7. Said corporation is authorized to connect its railroad with the railroad of any other railroad corporation which may now or hereafter form a continuous line between the city of Portland in the state of Maine, and Megantic in the Province of Quebec, of which the railroads of said corporation and of said Indian River Railway Company may be a part, and any such other railroad corporation, or any railroad corporation leasing or operating any railroad which forms part of said continuous line, is authorized to connect its railroad, or said railroad so leased or operated, with the railroad of said corporation, upon any terms and conditions mutually agreed upon by said corporations and not prohibited by the laws of the state of Maine, and said corporation is authorized to sell or lease its property and franchises to any connecting railroad corporation or to any railroad corporation leasing or operating any connecting railroad, to acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise the property and franchises of any connecting railroad corporation and to acquire, hold and dispose of the stocks, bonds and securities of any connecting railroad corporation and of any manufacturing corporation located or doing business along the line of its said railroad. Upon the purchase, lease or other acquisition of the property and franchises of any connecting railroad corporation, this corporation shall have, possess, exercise and

—may sell
or lease
property or
franchises.

enjoy all the powers, privileges, rights, immunities, franchises, property and estates which at the time of such transfer shall be held and possessed or enjoyed by the corporation so selling or leasing, and shall be subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities to which it shall be subject.

Section 8. Said corporation is authorized from time to time to issue its interest bearing bonds upon such rates and times and to such amounts as may be expedient, secured by mortgage of its property, franchises, leasehold or other interests, for any purpose deemed necessary by it in the location, construction, completion, improvement, enlargement or operation of its railroad and appendages or in the transaction of its business and to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest, or either, of any bonds issued by any connecting railroad corporation, and the Maine Central Railroad Company or any connecting railroad corporation, or any railroad corporation leasing or operating any connecting railroad, is authorized to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest, or either, of any bonds issued by said corporation or by said Indian River Railway Company or by any railroad corporation whose railroad forms, or may form, a part of said continuous line.

May issue bonds from time to time.

—guarantee of payment of principal and interest of bonds.

Section 9. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by any three of the corporators above named by notice thereof in writing, signed by said three corporators and given in hand or mailed to each of the other corporators at least seven days before said meeting, and any corporator may act at such meeting by written proxy.

First meeting, how called

Section 10. This charter is granted inasmuch as the objects thereof cannot be attained under the general laws of the state of Maine.

Why this charter is granted.

Approved March 12, 1909.

Chapter 133.

An Act to prohibit the use of Automobiles in the towns of Eden, Mount Desert, Tremont and Southwest Harbor, on the island of Mount Desert.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. No automobile or motor vehicle shall be set up, used, driven or operated in or on any highway, townway, or public street within any of the towns of Eden, Mount Desert, Tremont and Southwest Harbor, on the island of Mount Desert, in the county of Hancock, state of Maine.

Use of automobiles prohibited in certain towns.

Section 2. Whoever sets up, uses, drives or operates any automobile or motor vehicle contrary to the provisions of sec-

Penalty for violation of this act.