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Private and Special Laws

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two of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred eleven, and extended by chapter fifty-two of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred thirteen, to Forrest Goodwin of Skowhegan, Byron Boyd, H. L. Pishon and Frank E. Smith of Augusta, and Edward S. Clark of Eden, their associates, successors and assigns, and extended by chapter fifty-seven of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred fifteen to H. L. Swett of Skowhegan, Byron Boyd, H. L. Pishon, Frank E. Smith, of Augusta and Edward S. Clark of Eden, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby extended for two years from the date of the approval of this act, to H. L. Swett, of Skowhegan, Byron Boyd, H. L. Pishon, Frank E. Smith, of Augusta and Edward S. Clark of Eden, their associates, successors and assigns, and the said persons named in said act with the exception of Forrest Goodwin and inserting the name of H. L. Swett therefor, their associates, successors and assigns, shall have all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted in said act to the said Forrest Goodwin, Byron Boyd, H. L. Pishon, Frank E. Smith and Edward S. Clark, to be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided in said act.

Approved February 24, 1917.

## Chapter 13.

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Kennebec Log Driving Company as Amended by Chapter Four Hundred and Two of the Private and Special Laws of Eighteen Hundred and Eighty-five.

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

**Sec. 1. Charter further amended.** Section one of the charter of Kennebec Log Driving Company, as amended by chapter four hundred and two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, is hereby amended by striking out after the word "in" in the twenty-fourth line thereof, the following words:—"the East Branch and Kennebec river for that purpose below the outlet of Moosehead lake at the dam" and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Little Spencer stream between Big Spencer pond and Big Spencer stream and Big Spencer stream between its junction with Little Spencer stream and Dead River and in the North Branch of Dead river from the mouth of Alder stream to Dead river and in Dead river from where said North Branch enters the same to where said Dead river enters the Kennebec river and in the East Branch and Kennebec river for that purpose below the outlet of Moosehead lake at the dam,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 1. Limits of operations amended.** That John White, Marshall French, Oliver B. Dorrance, George W. King, David Scribner, Ezra Carter, junior, David Wescott, Alvah Sweetser, John Bradley, E. H. Scribner, Levi M. Pratt, Aaron Capen, Phineas Pratt, Henry Bowman, Benjamin Weston, junior, and Josiah H. Hobbs, their associates and successors be and they are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate by the name

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and style of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, both in law and in equity, and may make and adopt all necessary regulations and by-laws not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the state, and may adopt a common seal, and the same may alter, break and renew at pleasure, and may purchase and hold real and personal estate sufficient for carrying on the business of the Kennebec Log Driving Company and may grant and raise money by loan or assessment for the same and for driving, securing, and forming into rafts, under rigging logs of the company. And said company shall drive to such place of destination on said Kennebec river as may be designated by the owners or by the directors of said company and may secure and form into rafts, under rigging all logs and other timber belonging to said company or any member thereof, that may be in Little Spencer stream between Big Spencer pond and Big Spencer stream and Big Spencer Stream between its junction with Little Spencer stream and Dead river and in the North Branch of Dead river from the mouth of Alder stream to Dead river and in Dead river from where said North Branch enters the same to where said Dead river enters the Kennebec river and in the East Branch and Kennebec river for that purpose below the outlet of Moosehead lake at the dam. And said company may, for the purposes aforesaid, remove obstructions, erect booms, piers and dams where the same may be lawfully done. Said company shall have all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.'

**Sec. 2. Section four amended.** Section four of said act is hereby amended by inserting after the word "between" in the tenth line of said section the following: 'Big Spencer pond and the junction of Little Spencer stream with Big Spencer stream and between the junction of Little Spencer stream and Big Spencer stream and Dead river and in the North Branch of Dead river from the mouth of Alder stream to Dead river and in Dead river from where said North Branch enters the same to where said Dead river enters the Kennebec river and between', so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'**Sec. 4. Statement of logs and lumber to be filed with clerk of company; limits altered.** The members of said company owning logs or other timber to be driven down said rivers, shall, on or before the first day of May in that year, file with the clerk of the company a correct statement in writing, signed by a sworn surveyor, of all such logs or timber of the number of feet, full scale, with the mark or marks thereon, together with the place from which the logs are to be driven and their destination. And it shall be the duty of the directors to keep a separate and distinct account of all expenses incurred for driving the logs and other timber between Big Spencer pond and the junction of Little Spencer stream with Big Spencer stream and between the junction of Little Spencer stream and Big Spencer stream and Dead river and in the North Branch of Dead river from the mouth of Alder stream to Dead river and in Dead river from where said North Branch enters the same to where said Dead river enters the Kennebec river and between Moosehead lake and the forks of the Kennebec river, and between said forks of the Kennebec river and the point of destination on

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the Kennebec river, and ascertain the number of feet, full scale, and ownership of said logs and other timber driven between said points, and assess thereon, to owners if known, or to owners unknown, making such discount for logs driven less than the whole distance as in their opinion may be right and equitable, a distinct and separate tax sufficient to pay said expenses, with such further sums as may be necessary to pay damages and losses for piers, booms, buoys, dams and other expenses as may be voted by the company or the directors. And the directors shall have power whenever they may deem it necessary or expedient, to cause a survey to be made of any or all logs driven, secured or rafted by the company, and the expense of such survey shall be assessed on such logs in the same manner as is herein provided for assessing the expenses of driving, securing and rafting the same. If any owner or agent shall refuse or neglect to file such a statement in the manner herein prescribed, the directors may assess such delinquent or delinquents for his or their proportion of expenses, such sum or sums as may be by the directors considered just and equitable, and such assessment shall be final; said assessment to be made at any time after the first day of July at the discretion of the directors. And said company shall have a lien on all logs and other timber by them driven for the expense of driving, booming and securing, which shall not be discharged until all assessments shall be finally paid. The directors shall keep a record of the assessments in the office of the clerk, which shall be open to the inspection of all persons interested.'

Approved February 26, 1917.

## Chapter 14.

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Kennebec Log Driving Company as Amended by Chapter One Hundred and Seventy-one of the Private and Special Laws of Eighteen Hundred and Seventy-nine.

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

**P. & S. L., 1879, c. 171, § 1, amended.** Section one of chapter one hundred and seventy-one of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-nine is hereby amended by inserting after the word "charter" in the third line of said section the following: 'immediately after the close of the drive on Dead river and' and by inserting after the word "anticipation" in the fourth line of said paragraph the following: 'in either of said assessments', so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 1. Time when assessment is to be made.** The directors of said Kennebec Log Driving Company are hereby authorized to assess the tax for driving logs, contemplated in said charter, immediately after the close of the drive on Dead river and immediately after the close of the drive on the East Branch, so called, and in anticipation in either of said assessments of the actual cost of driving on the Main river, so called. And if after said logs and other timber shall have been driven and all expenses ascertained and estimated, it shall be found that said assessment shall be more than