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As Passed by the

Seventy-Eighth Legislature

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STATE OF MAINE

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votes of the inhabitants of said town of Fort Fairfield and by the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation;

And Whereas, by reason of the foregoing facts this act is necessary for the purpose of the public health, peace and safety, and in the opinion of this legislature constitutes an emergency, within the meaning of the constitution; now therefore,

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

- Sec. 1. Acquisition of property authorized. The inhabitants of the town of Fort Fairfield in the county of Aroostook, by their municipal officers, acting for and in behalf of said inhabitants, when authorized by vote of said inhabitants, at any legal meeting thereof, are hereby authorized and empowered to assume, acquire and take over all of the property owned by Fort Fairfield Village Corporation and also all the rights, privileges, duties, contracts and obligations of said corporation.
- Sec. 2. Corporation authorized to relinquish. The Fort Fairfield Village Corporation by its assessors, acting for and in behalf of said corporation, when authorized by a vote of said corporation in any legal meeting thereof, is hereby authorized and empowered to transfer and convey to the inhabitants of the town of Fort Fairfield, by deeds of transfer and conveyance, all of the property owned by said corporation, and also, to turn over and relinquish to the inhabitants of the town of Fort Fairfield, all of the rights, privileges, duties, contracts and obligations of said Fort Fairfield Village Corporation now in force and existing, and to enter into any necessary contracts with the said inhabitants of the town of Fort Fairfield, whereby said inhabitants shall assume all of the obligations, duties and contracts of said corporation.
- Sec. 3. Corporation dissolved when act accepted. If and when the said inhabitants of said town of Fort Fairfield and the voters of said Fort Fairfield Village Corporation shall have acted under the provisions of this act, and by their votes shall have voted in legal meetings legally called and held to accept and to carry into effect the provisions of this act, then in such event, the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation shall be dissolved and cease to exist.
- Sec. 4. Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act, two-thirds of all the members elected in each House having so directed, shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 12, 1917

Chapter 42.

An Act to Extend the Charter of the Rumford Falls and Bethel Street Railway.

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

Sec. 1. Charter extended for two years. The time within which the Rumford Falls and Bethel Street Railway, a corporation organized under

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the general laws of the state, shall actually commence business is hereby extended two years from the date when this act shall take effect.

Sec. 2. Existing statutes remain in force. Nothing herein contained is intended to repeal or shall be construed as repealing the whole or any part of any existing statute. And all the rights and duties herein mentioned; shall be exercised and performed in accordance with all the applicable provisions of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes.

Approved March 15, 1917.

Chapter 43.

An Act to Ratify the Change of Name and Amount of Capital Stock of Mercantile
Trust Company, and to Amend its Charter.

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

- Sec. 1. Name changed; capital stock increased. The change of name of the Mercantile Trust Company, a corporation created by and organized under the provisions of chapter four hundred and forty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, to Casco Mercantile Trust Company; and the increase of its capital stock from one hundred thousand dollars to five hundred thousand dollars; and all acts and doings of said trust company with reference to the issuing of said stock, are hereby legalized, ratified, confirmed, and made valid.
- Sec. 2. Acts performed under either name valid. All acts in reference to existing contracts, obligations or duties of said corporation, shall be valid whether the name Mercantile Trust Company or the name Casco Mercantile Trust Company be used, and no action or proceeding at law or in equity brought by or against said corporation under either corporate name shall be abated, discontinued or dismissed, because of the use of either of said corporate names. All business, things, or acts heretofore done by said trust company under the said name of Casco Mercantile Trust Company, and which may hereafter be done by said corporation under said name up to the date this act takes effect, are hereby legalized, ratified, confirmed, and made valid.
- Sec. 3. P. & S. L. c. 442, § 3, amended. Section three of said chapter four hundred and forty-two is hereby amended by striking out the word "but" in the last sentence of said section after the word "company" and before the word "said," and inserting in place thereof the word 'and'; by striking out the word "not" in said last sentence after the word "shall" and before the word "have"; by striking out the word "or" in said last sentence after the word "power" and before the word "authority", and inserting in place thereof the word 'and;' and by adding to the said sentence after the word "branches" the following words, 'as provided by law'; so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 3. May establish branches. The purposes of said corporation and the business which it may perform, are: first, to receive on deposit, money,