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enable it to deliver said water or to allow said Great Northern Paper Company to construct and maintain such works and appliances as may be necessary or convenient for it to take from the ponds raised by said dams the water to which it is or may become entitled according to the provisions of this act, provided, however, that the authority above granted shall not be construed as giving said West Branch Driving and Reservoir Dam Company any right to divest itself of water or rights necessary for it to retain in order to perform the duties imposed upon it by its charter, and provided, further that any water so taken from the pond raised by said Ripogenus dam shall be returned into the channel of the West Branch of the Penobscot river at some point on said West Branch above the east line of township 3, range 11, W. E. L. S. and provided further that any water so taken from the pond raised by North Twin Dam shall be returned into said channel at some point on said West Branch above Quakish dam, so-called.

Sec. 2. Certain powers of Great Northern Paper Company revoked; others to remain unaffected. All the powers and privileges which the Great Northern Paper Company has of doing a public illuminating, heating or power business; or of leasing or selling electricity or other power for public use; or of supplying the inhabitants of any city, town or village corporation with water, lights or heat; or of transmitting electricity to be leased or sold to the public for manufacturing, illuminating, heating or power purposes, are hereby revoked and repealed, but all other powers, rights and privileges possessed by said corporation, shall be and remain in full force, undiminished and unabridged by the passage of this act.

Sec. 3. State not under obligation to compensate company for any rights granted herein. Whenever the State of Maine shall determine by proper legislation to acquire, maintain and operate a system of water storage at the head waters of the West Branch of the Penobscot river and shall take over the property and rights of the West Branch Driving and Reservoir Dam Company the said state shall be under no obligation to compensate said West Branch Driving and Reservoir Dam Company for the rights and franchises granted to it by this act.

Approved March 23, 1917.

Chapter 95.

An Act to Amend Chapter Two Hundred and Fifteen of the Private and Special Laws of Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-seven, and Authorizing the City of Saco to Provide, Equip and Maintain a Hospital.

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

Sec. 1. Acceptance of bequest of Lucia Kimball Deering authorized. The city of Saco is hereby authorized and empowered to accept and receive the legacy provided for in paragraph eight of the last will of Lucia Kimball Deering, late of Boston, Suffolk county, Massachusetts, dated November nineteenth, nineteen hundred fifteen, and after the compliance with

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all the provisions of this act, the city of Saco shall be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered to do all acts and things to carry out the provisions of said paragraph eight of said will.

Sec. 2. City empowered to acquire land and building and equip hospital; maintenance. The city of Saco is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase a suitable building with the land on which it stands, or to purchase a suitable lot and erect a hospital building thereon, to equip and maintain the same for general hospital purposes. To make and collect reasonable charges for services rendered therein and to appropriate and levy money by taxation for the necessary maintenance of the same.

Sec. 3. City may receive legacies. The city of Saco is hereby authorized and empowered to accept and receive all legacies, devises and gifts for the purpose of establishing, equipping and maintaining, in whole or in part an allopathic hospital in said city of Saco, for general hospital purposes; and to take and administer all legacies, devises or other gifts for hospital purposes, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the instrument creating the trust, both those legacies, devises and gifts which have been made and those which may be made in the future.

Sec. 4. Full powers granted. The city of Saco is hereby authorized and empowered to do all acts and things incident to the purposes of this act and for its proper execution.

Sec. 5. Inconsistent statutes repealed. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed from and after the time when this act shall have been accepted as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 6. Act to be passed upon by voters; date, form of question. This act shall take effect and be in full force, when the same shall have been accepted by the legal voters of said city at an election to be called and held as other municipal elections are called and held, on the second Monday of September, nineteen hundred and seventeen. The vote shall be taken by ballot at said election in answer to the question: "Shall an act passed by the legislature in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, entitled 'An Act to Amend Chapter Two Hundred and Fifteen of the Private and Special Laws of Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-seven, and Authorizing the City of Saco to Provide, Equip and Maintain a Hospital,' be accepted?" which shall be printed on the official ballots and at said meeting the voters of said city in favor of accepting this act shall vote "Yes" and those opposed shall vote "No." And if a majority of all the ballots received are in favor of accepting the same, it shall then become a law and take effect. And it shall be the duty of the city clerk of said city of Saco to spread at large all the proceedings and results thereof, on the records of the city, and such records shall be conclusive evidence that this act has been accepted or rejected, as the case may be.

Sec. 7. Date when effective. This act shall take effect in ninety days after the final adjournment of the legislature, so far as to authorize its submission to the legal voters of said city in the manner prescribed herein and when this act shall have been accepted by said voters, it shall be in full force and effect.