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of its departments, pending or unexecuted when this charter goes into effect and not inconsistent therewith shall be enforced, continued or completed in all respects as though begun or executed hereunder.

Sec. 7. Inconsistent statutes repealed when act becomes effective. In case this act is approved in the manner hereinbefore provided, all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 7, 1917.

Chapter 202.

An Act to Provide for Conducting Scientific Investigation Bearing upon the Agriculture of Aroostook County.

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

Sec. 1. Investigations to be made by Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. The Maine Agricultural Experiment Station, in addition to investigations now conducted by it, shall conduct scientific investigations bearing upon the agriculture of Aroostook county for the purpose of making effective section four of chapter one hundred ninety of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred thirteen.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There shall be appropriated from the state treasury the sum of not exceeding five thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred seventeen and the sum of five thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred eighteen in favor of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station, and the same shall be expended by the director of said station in executing the provisions of this act. The payment of said appropriation shall be made quarterly, on presentation of bills duly audited by the state auditor on order of the governor and council. The amount of this appropriation to be spent shall be in the discretion of the governor and council.

Approved April 7, 1917.

Chapter 203.

An Act to Incorporate Gould Electric Company.

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

Sec. 1. Corporators. N. M. Jones, W. S. Davidson, A. R. Gould, E. R. Teed, R. H. McDonald, L. E. Gould and H. T. Powers, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate by the name of Gould Electric Company.

Sec. 2. Purposes. The purposes of said corporation shall be to make, generate, buy, sell, distribute and supply electricity for all purposes, in the county of Aroostook, in accordance with the general statutes of the State of Maine relating to that business.

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Sec. 3. Location. The said corporation is hereby authorized to construct lines for the transmission of electricity upon and along highways and public roads in said county of Aroostook when necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this act.

Sec. 4. Capital stock; bond issue authorized. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed one million dollars, a part of which may be preferred stock, the amount to be fixed from time to time by the stockholders of said corporation. The said corporation may issue bonds, which may be secured by mortgages of its property and franchises. All issues of stock and bonds shall be subject to the provisions of section thirty-seven of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes.

Sec. 5. Purchase or lease of Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, authorized. The said corporation is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Public Utilities Commission of Maine, to purchase or lease all property of every kind and description, including franchises of the Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, located in the State of Maine, including all rights heretofore granted to the said Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, by the legislature of the State of Maine, and upon such purchase or lease the said Gould Electric Company, its successors and assigns, shall have, hold, possess, exercise and enjoy all the locations, powers, privileges, rights, immunities, franchises, property and assets which at the time of such transfer shall then be held, possessed or enjoyed by the said Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, within the State of Maine. After such purchase or lease the said Gould Electric Company shall be subject to all liabilities to which the said Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, shall then be subject by reason of any contract to be performed within the State of Maine.

Sec. 6. Relinquishment authorized; proviso. The Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, is hereby authorized, with the approval of the public utilities commission, to sell or lease to the said Gould Electric Company all its property of every kind and description located within the State of Maine including all rights heretofore granted to it by the legislature of the State of Maine and upon such sale or lease all rights of the said Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, to transact business in the State of Maine as a public utility shall terminate, excepting that said Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, may sell electric current to said Gould Electric Company.

Sec. 7. Purchase of franchises and property of other corporations authorized. The said Gould Electric Company is hereby authorized with the approval of the public utilities commission, to acquire by purchase plants, property, franchises, rights, privileges and locations of other corporations or individuals engaged in the electric business in the said county of Aroostook, and also to purchase stocks, bonds or other securities of such corporations.

Sec. 8. Subject to duties, liabilities, etc., as similar corporations. Upon the organization of the said Gould Electric Company, it shall be subject

to all the duties, liabilities and limitations to which electric companies organized under the general law are subject, and shall have and possess all the rights and privileges of such companies.

Sec. 9. Electric current not to be transmitted beyond confines of state. It shall be unlawful for said corporation to transmit electric current, generated within this state, for sale or use beyond the limits of this state, or to contract with any person, firm or corporation for the transmission or sale of electric current generated within this state beyond the limits of this state and said corporation shall not be permitted to acquire in any manner the franchises of or consolidate with or transfer or lease its property, rights and franchises to any other corporation, firm or person now transmitting or having the right to transmit electric power beyond the confines of the state, without express authority of the legislature.

Approved April 7, 1917.

Chapter 204.

An Act Additional to Chapter Two Hundred and Fifty of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Eleven, Granting to the Clark Power Company the Right to Extend its Lines, and the Right to Exercise the Power of Eminent Domain.

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

P. & S. L., 1911, c. 250, as amended by P. & S. L., 1915, c. 113, further amended. Chapter two hundred and fifty of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Clark Power Company," as amended by chapter one hundred and thirteen of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said act the following:

'Sec. 9. Authorized to sell electricity to Pepperell Manufacturing Company and to York County Power Company; lines to be extended; special provisions. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered, subject to the approval of the public utilities commission, to transmit, convey, supply and sell electricity for light, heat and power to the Pepperell Manufacturing Company at Biddeford and to York County Power Company, and for that purpose is hereby authorized and empowered to set, build, extend and maintain poles, lines and wires from such point in the town of Dayton between the bridge across the Saco river at Union Falls and property of Rufus H. Smith on the road leading to Goodwin's Mills as said Clark Power Company may deem most expedient; thence southeasterly in and through the town of Dayton to the line dividing said Dayton and the city of Biddeford; then southeasterly to and across the said river into the city of Biddeford to such point within the yards of the Pepperell Manufacturing Company as said Clark Power Company may deem most expedient, subject to the approval of and under such reasonable restrictions as the municipal officers of the above named town and cities through which poles and lines are established may impose as to the kind of poles, the manner in which