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mond and Litchfield, either or both, and from any surface or underground brooks and springs in said Richmond.

Sec. 3. Right of eminent domain conferred. The said district, for the purpose of its incorporation is hereby authorized to take and hold, as for public uses, by purchase or otherwise, any land or interest therein or water rights necessary for erecting and maintaining dams, for flowage, for power for pumping its water supply through its mains, for reservoirs, for preserving the purity of the water and water shed, for laying and maintaining aqueducts and other structures for taking, distributing, discharging and disposing of water and for rights of way or roadways to its sources of supply, dams, power stations, reservoirs, mains, aqueducts, structures and lands.

Approved April 4, 1925.

#### Chapter 92.

An Act to Acquire the American Portion of the International Bridge at Calais in Washington County and to Provide for Its Maintenance. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. State authorized to acquire American portion of bridge at Calais. The mayor and aldermen of the city of Calais in Washington county, a municipal corporation, are hereby authorized to sell, convey and transfer to the state of Maine that portion owned by it and known as the American part of the international metal bridge across the St. Croix river connecting said Calais with St. Stephen, New Brunswick, including its part of the foundations, superstructure and approaches in consideration of the state accepting the same and hereafter maintaining it as a free public bridge.

Sec. 2. Upon acceptance of deed by state, upkeep, maintenance and control to be assumed by state. Upon the tender of a deed by said municipal officers, the state highway commission shall accept it and thereafter the repair and maintenance of the so-called American portion of said international bridge as a free public bridge shall be assumed and continued by the state under the general control, management and direction of the state highway commission.

Approved April 4, 1925.

## Chapter 93.

An Act to Incorporate the Union River Railway Company. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Corporators; name; powers. James Q. Gulnac, Henry Patton,

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Harvey Williams, Benjamin B. Whitcomb, John J. Whitney, Allan W. McLean, Donald F. Snow, Charles H. Bartlett and their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate by the name of Union River Railway Company, with all the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions and obligations provided in the general laws respecting railroads, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. Authorized to construct a railroad; location. Subject to the provisions of chapter fifty-six, section six, of the revised statutes, which section shall be complied with as far as applicable, said corporation is authorized to locate, construct, maintain and operate a railroad of standard guage, about thirty-five miles in length, for the transportation of freight and forest products only, commencing at and connecting with the Maine Central Railroad at some convenient point in the town of Hancock, in the county of Hancóck, and extending in a northerly direction by the most feasible route about thirty-five miles to some point in Plantation number thirty-three also called Great Pond in Hancock county and passing through township number eight, S. D., Waltham, Eastbrook, Plantation twenty-one, M. D., townships number twenty-two, M. D., number twentyeight, M. D., number thirty-four, M. D., and said plantation number thirtythree, all in the county of Hancock; providing, however, that if found necessary or convenient, to extend the railroad to tide water, said corporation is authorized to extend its road about five miles to some suitable point on Frenchman's Bay.

Sec. 3. Motive power; other rights conferred. Said corporation is authorized and empowered to operate its railroad by steam, electricity, or any other motive power and to maintain a telephone or telegraph line along its right of way solely for its own use. Said corporation is hereby granted the right to purchase and hold water privileges and other real estate for the purpose of erecting and maintaining power houses for generating electricity or other motive power for its own use; provided that said corporation shall pay for such water privileges and other real estate, such price as it and the owners thereof may mutually agree upon.

Sec. 4. Capital stock. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fixed at the first meeting of said corporation, and shall not be less than twenty-five thousand dollars nor more than one hundred thousand dollars and shall be divided into shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each.

Sec. 5. Limitation of charter rights. Within two years from the time this act becomes a law, said corporation shall comply with the provisions of chapter fifty-six, sections six, seven and eight of the revised statutes;

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and if it does not, within three years from the time this act becomes a law, begin construction of its road and expend thereon ten per cent of its capital, its corporate existence and power shall cease.

Sec. 6. First meeting of corporation. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by any one of the corporators above named by notice thereof in writing signed by said corporator, 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.

Sec. 7. Existing statutes not affected; rights conferred subject to provisions of R. S., c. 55. 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 April 7, 1925.

## Chapter 94.

An Act to Ratify the Plantation Meeting of The Forks Plantation.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the plantation meeting of the plantation of The Forks, located in the county of Somerset, was held upon the second day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-five at the Franklin school house, so called, in said plantation, and

Whereas, some question as to the legality of the holding of said meeting and of the doings thereat, has arisen, and

Whereas, in the event that such meeting was not legally holden, great and grave injustice would result, and

Whereas, in the opinion of the legislature, these facts render the immediate passage of this act necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety and constitute an emergency within the meaning of the constitution, now therefore,

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

Sec. r. Proceedings of plantation meeting made valid. The plantation meeting of The Forks Plantation held on the second day of March, nine-teen hundred and twenty-five, is hereby ratified, made legal, and valid, and all the proceedings of said meeting are hereby ratified, made legal, and valid.