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## FORTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE. No. 45.

### STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE.

#### AN ACT additional concerning railroads.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

- Section 1. A railroad corporation may take and
- 2 hold real estate necessary for depot purposes, and when
- 3 the parties interested do not consent thereto, and can-
- 4 not agree upon other persons to determine the question
- 5 of necessity and the extent thereof, the said corpora-
- 6 tion may make application to the railroad commission-
- 7 ers of this state to view the premises and determine
- 8 whether, and how much of, such estate is necessary
- 9 for the reasonable accommodation of the traffic and
- 10 appropriate business of the said corporation.
  - SECT. 2. The said application shall be in writing

2 and shall set forth a definite description of the estate,

3 giving the name of the owner or owners or other par-

4 ties interested, and a hearing thereon shall be had, at

5 the expense of the said corporation, at such time, and

6 at such place in the vicinity of the premises, as the

7 said commissioners shall appoint, of which notice shall

8 be given to all parties interested, in such manner as

9 the said commissioners shall direct, fourteen days at

10 least before the day appointed for the said hearing.

Sect. 3. If the said commissioners shall adjudge and 2 determine, after such hearing, that the estate in ques-3 tion is necessary for the use of the corporation as afore-4 said, they shall furnish to the said corporation a cer-5 tificate of their adjudication, together with a definite 6 description of the estate so found by them to be neces-7 sary to the said corporation, which shall be filed with 8 the clerk of the courts in the county in which the land 9 lies, and thereupon the said corporation may enter 10 upon, locate and take the said estate to the extent set 11 forth in the said certificate; and the provisions of 12 chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes and of all sub-13 sequent acts amendatory thereof shall be applicable to 14 all further proceedings in relation to the taking of the 15 said estate, and the estimation and payment of dam-16 ages therefor.

- SECT. 4. Nothing in this act shall be construed to
- 2 authorize the taking of any meeting house, dwelling
- 3 house, or public or private burying ground, without the
- 4 consent of the owners.
  - SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

#### STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, { February 17, 1865. }

Reported by Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Judiciary.

HORACE STILSON, Clerk.