

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1874.

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thousand dollars, by a two thirds vote, at any legal meeting called for that purpose, but no more than one meeting shall be called for that purpose in any one year. CHAP. 450.

SECT. 10. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any two corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand or leaving the same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of meeting.

First meeting,  
how called.

SECT. 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 10, 1874.

### Chapter 450.

An act to authorize and empower the Little Androscoggin Water Power Company to carry on the manufacture of gas.

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

SECT. 1. The Little Androscoggin Water Power Company, organized in accordance with the provisions of chapter ninety-three of the laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy, are hereby authorized and empowered to carry on the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas, for the purpose of lighting the streets, factories, and all other buildings and works in the cities of Lewiston and Auburn, and to construct such reservoirs, gas holders, gas pipes and all other things as may be requisite and proper for such purposes.

Authorized to  
manufacture gas  
and construct gas  
works.

SECT. 2. Said corporation shall have the right to lay gas pipes in any of the public streets or highways of said cities, the consent of the municipal authorities of said cities having first been obtained therefor, and to relay and repair the same, subject to such regulations as the health and safety of the citizens and the security of the public travel may require, and as may have been prescribed by the authorities aforesaid.

Authorized to lay  
gas pipes in pub-  
lic streets.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 10, 1874.

### Chapter 451.

An act to incorporate the Devine Water Company.

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

SECT. 1. James Devine, James Devine, junior, George H. Cross, W. H. Dunham and H. R. Swallow, with their associates and

Corporators.

**CHAP. 451.** successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the  
 Corporate name. Devine Water Company, for the purpose of conveying to the city  
 of Augusta a supply of pure water.

May hold real and personal estate. **SECT. 2.** Said corporation may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient for the purpose aforesaid, not exceeding in amount fifteen thousand dollars.

May purchase and hold real estate necessary for constructing reservoirs, &c. **SECT. 3.** Said corporation is hereby authorized, for the purposes aforesaid, to take and hold by purchase, any land or real estate necessary for erecting and maintaining reservoirs, and for laying and maintaining aqueducts for conducting, discharging and distributing of water, and of forming reservoirs and securing springs and supplies of water therefor.

Damages for land taken, how ascertained, in case of disagreement. **SECT. 4.** In case said company and the owners of land through which said aqueduct may pass shall be unable to agree upon the price to be paid therefor, said company may take and use such right of laying down and maintaining its aqueduct through such land; the damages first to be ascertained and paid in the manner prescribed for taking land for highways.

Capital stock. **SECT. 5.** The capital stock of said company shall not exceed fifteen thousand dollars, and be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Authorized to lay down pipes, &c., in and through the streets of Augusta. **SECT. 6.** Said corporation are hereby authorized to lay down and maintain, in and through the streets of said city of Augusta, all pipes, aqueducts and fixtures necessary for the purposes of said company, and to repair and replace all such pipes, aqueducts and fixtures as may be necessary, with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, at their own expense, under such restrictions and regulations as the city government may prescribe; *provided*, that no parallel lines of pipes of said company shall be laid in any public street unless by the consent of the mayor and aldermen; and *provided* also, that the strength and quality of said pipes to be laid in any public street shall be first approved by them; and if said company should purchase or use any pipes or aqueducts now laid in the streets of Augusta, said pipes or aqueducts shall be subject to the provisions of this act.

Proviso. **SECT. 7.** The mayor and aldermen shall have power to regulate, restrict and control the acts of said corporation which may in any manner affect the health, safety or convenience of the inhabitants of said city.

Mayor and aldermen may regulate acts of corporation. **SECT. 8.** Said corporation shall have all the powers and privileges, not inconsistent with the special restrictions in this act, and be subject to all the duties of like corporations as defined by the general laws of this state; *provided*, that nothing contained in this act shall be construed as in any way affecting any rights granted to or acquired by the Augusta Water Company by virtue of its charter.

Powers and duties of corporation.

Proviso; not to affect the rights of Augusta Water Company.

SECT. 9. The first meeting may be called by a notice, signed by one of the corporation, and delivering a copy thereof to each of the others residing in said city, stating the time and place of the meeting, five days at least before the time specified.

CHAP. 452.

First meeting,  
how called.

SECT. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 10, 1874.

## Chapter 452.

An act to incorporate the town of Blaine.

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

SECT. I. Alva plantation, composed of letter B, range one, west of the east line of the state, in the county of Aroostook, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Blaine, and the inhabitants of said town are hereby invested with all the powers, privileges, immunities and liabilities of other towns.

Town of Blaine,  
to incorporate.

SECT. 2. Any justice of the peace within the county of Aroostook is hereby empowered to issue his warrant to some inhabitant of said town, directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at such time and place as he shall appoint, to choose such officers as other towns are empowered to choose.

Meeting for choice  
of officers, how  
called.

SECT. 3. The town hereby created shall take the property and effects belonging to Alva plantation, and shall assume all the obligations thereof.

Powers and duties  
of.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 10, 1874.

## Chapter 453.

An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

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

SECT. 1. In order to provide for the several acts and resolves of the legislature requiring the payment of money from the treasury, and also to provide for the necessary expenditures of government for the current fiscal year, the following sums are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury, and the governor with the advice and consent of the council is hereby authorized at any time prior to the first day of January next, to draw his warrant upon the treasury for the same.

Expenditures of  
government.