

Chap. 372 AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MILLBURY, SUTTON AND DOUGLAS RAILROAD COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Millbury,
Sutton and
Douglas Rail-
road Company
incorporated.

SECTION 1. Thomas M. Babson, Francis A. Harrington and James W. Stockwell, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad Company, for the construction and maintenance of a railroad to be operated by electricity; with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions, liabilities and provisions set forth in the general laws which now are or hereafter may be in force relating to railroad corporations.

May construct,
etc., a railroad
in certain
towns.

SECTION 2. Said corporation may locate, construct, maintain and operate a railroad with one or more tracks, from some convenient point at or near the Blackstone river in the town of Millbury, over private lands and public ways southwesterly to the town of Sutton; thence southerly by way of the villages of Manchaug and East Douglas to a point at or near the depot of the New England Railroad Company in the town of Douglas, with the right to construct a track to West Sutton in said town of Sutton: *provided*, that the location of said railroad upon any public way shall be further subject to the provisions of section seven of chapter one hundred and thirteen of the Public Statutes.

Proviso.

Rate of speed
to be subject to
certain limita-
tions.

SECTION 3. The rate of speed upon such parts of said railroad as are within the public highways in any town shall be subject to the limitations fixed by the selectmen of such town.

Capital stock.

SECTION 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed two hundred thousand dollars, nor be less than one hundred thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

May mortgage
its road, etc.

SECTION 5. Said corporation may mortgage its road, equipment and franchise, and property owned at the time of such mortgage or thereafter acquired, and may issue bonds to an amount which shall not exceed the capital stock of the corporation actually paid in at the time.

May make
leases, etc.,
with certain
railroad cor-
porations.

SECTION 6. The said railroad company is hereby authorized to make with any railroad corporation whose railroad now connects or hereafter shall connect with the Millbury, Sutton and Douglas railroad, such leases or operating contracts as the directors of such corporation

may agree to, and as may be approved by a majority of the stockholders of said corporation at a meeting duly called for such purpose, but no such agreement shall be valid unless and until the same is approved by the board of railroad commissioners.

SECTION 7. This act shall be void unless said railroad shall be located within six months after the passage of this act, and the work of construction of said railroad upon said location shall be actually commenced within one year after the passage of this act, and unless said railroad shall be completed and in actual operation within two years after the passage of this act.

To be void under certain conditions.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 10, 1897.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PALMER AND MONSON STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

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Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Charles H. Hobbs, Elbridge G. Hastings, Elmer G. Childs, David L. Bodfish, George H. Wilkins, Rufus Flynt, Hiram E. W. Clark, George E. Buck, Charles E. Fish, Charles F. Grosvenor, George C. Flynt and Michael F. Moore, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation under the name of the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, conditions and restrictions set forth in all general laws that now are or hereafter may be in force relating to street railway companies.

Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company incorporated.

SECTION 2. Said company may locate, relocate, construct, maintain and operate its railway in such manner as may be convenient and necessary, in part upon private land and upon streets, highways or state roads, in the towns of Palmer and Monson, subject to the approval and under the control of the selectmen of the respective towns, as provided by general laws, and subject also to the approval and consent of the Massachusetts highway commission as to any part of said railway located upon a state highway. The location of said railway outside the public streets and highways shall not exceed fifty feet in width.

May construct, etc., its railway in Palmer and Monson.

Location.

SECTION 3. Said company may maintain and operate its railway by any approved power other than steam, and may erect and maintain poles and wires on private lands

Motive power, etc.