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STATE OF MAINE, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, BANGOR, October 24, 1864.

I have examined the Charter of the European and North American Railway Company, approved August 20th, 1850, and the several acts and resolves since enacted in reference thereto. I have also examined the By-Laws and Records of said Corporation. In my opinion their proceedings are all in due form, and the Stockholders in said Corporation are exempt from all personal liability, beyond the payment of their Stock Subscription.

JOHN A. PETERS, Att'y Gen'l.

BANGOR, October 24, 1864.

The European and North American Railway Company having conveyed to Hannibal Hamlin, Israel Washburn, Jr., and Henry V. Poor, as Trustees, their road-bed, rights and property, for the security of the payment of certain Bonds by them issued, and the said Trustees having accepted said trust, I concur in the opinion of Hon. John A. Peters, Attorney General of Maine, as to the legality of the proceedings of said Company, and the exemption of Stockholders from personal liability.

H. HAMLIN, One of the Trustees aforesaid.