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SPECIAL ACTS.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE COMPENSATION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COURT, FOR THE COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS THEREOF AND FOR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. Chap. 1

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the purposes specified, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

For the compensation of senators, forty-one thousand dollars. Appropriations, compensation members of general court, etc.
Senators, compensation.

For compensation for travel of senators, a sum not exceeding thirty-two hundred dollars. Travel.

For the compensation of representatives, two hundred and forty-one thousand dollars. Representatives, compensation.

For compensation for travel of representatives, a sum not exceeding nineteen thousand dollars. Travel.

For the salary of Henry D. Coolidge, clerk of the senate, four thousand dollars. Clerk of the senate.

For the salary of James W. Kimball, clerk of the house of representatives, four thousand dollars. Clerk of the house.

For the salary of William H. Sanger, assistant clerk of the senate, twenty-five hundred dollars. Assistant clerk of the senate.

For the salary of Frank E. Bridgman, assistant clerk of the house of representatives, twenty-five hundred dollars. Assistant clerk of the house.

For such additional clerical assistance to the clerk of the senate as may be necessary for the proper despatch of public business, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars. Clerical assistance, senate.

For such additional clerical assistance to the clerk of the house of representatives as may be necessary for the proper despatch of public business, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars. Clerical assistance, house.

- Doorkeepers, etc. For the salaries of the doorkeepers of the senate and house of representatives, and the postmaster, five thousand dollars.
- Assistant doorkeepers, etc. For the compensation of assistant doorkeepers and messengers to the senate and house of representatives, a sum not exceeding thirty thousand four hundred dollars.
- Pages, compensation. For the compensation of the pages to the senate and house of representatives, a sum not exceeding sixty-one hundred and twenty dollars.
- Travel. For the compensation for travel of the pages to the senate and house of representatives, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.
- Chaplains, compensation. For the compensation of the chaplains of the senate and house of representatives, twelve hundred dollars.
- Expenses of committees. For authorized expenses of committees of the present general court, including clerical assistance to committees authorized to employ the same, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.
- Advertising hearings, etc. For expenses of advertising hearings of the committees of the present general court, including expenses of preparing and mailing advertisements to the various newspapers, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.
- Witness fees, etc. For expenses of summoning witnesses, and for fees of such witnesses, a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars.
- Printing and binding. For printing and binding ordered by the senate and house of representatives, or by concurrent order of the two branches, a sum not exceeding fifty-eight thousand dollars.
- Manual. For printing and binding the manual for the general court, under the direction of the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, a sum not exceeding fifty-four hundred dollars.
- Publication of bulletin. For expenses in connection with the publication of the bulletin of committee hearings, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.
- Senate, stationery. For stationery for the senate, purchased by the clerk, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.
- House, stationery. For stationery for the house of representatives, purchased by the clerk, a sum not exceeding twelve hundred dollars.
- Contingent expenses. For contingent expenses of the senate and house of representatives, and necessary expenses in and about the state house, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 11, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARY AND EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC RECORDS. *Chap.* 2

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salary and expenses of the commissioner of public records, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations,
commissioner
of public
records.

For the salary of the commissioner, three thousand dollars.

Commissioner,
salary.
Travelling
expenses, etc.

For travelling, clerical and other necessary expenses of the commissioner, including printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding twenty-nine hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For the purchase of ink for public records, a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars.

Purchase
of ink.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 23, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES OF THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE. *Chap.* 3

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the compensation and expenses of the electoral college.

Appropriation,
electoral
college.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 23, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH. *Chap.* 4

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the executive department, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations,
executive
department.

For the salary of the governor, ten thousand dollars.

Governor,
salary.

For the salary of the lieutenant governor, two thousand dollars; and for the salaries of the council, eight thousand

Lieutenant-
governor and
council, salaries

and travelling expenses.

dollars. For travelling expenses of the council, from and to their homes, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Private secretary of the governor.

For the salary of the private secretary of the governor, four thousand dollars.

Assistant private secretary.

For the salary of the assistant private secretary of the governor, two thousand dollars.

Executive secretary.

For the salary of the executive secretary, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Stenographer.

For the salary of the present stenographer, a sum not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars.

Messenger.

For the salary of the messenger, twelve hundred dollars.

Assistant messenger.

For the salary of the assistant messenger, one thousand dollars.

Contingent expenses.

For contingent expenses, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

Postage, printing, etc.

For postage, printing and stationery, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Arrest of fugitives from justice.

For expenses incurred in the arrest of fugitives from justice, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Travelling and contingent expenses.

For travelling and contingent expenses of the governor and council, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.

Postage, printing, etc., for council.

For postage, printing and stationery for the council, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Preparation of tables and indexes.

For the preparation of tables and indexes relating to the statutes of the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding twelve hundred dollars.

Extraordinary expenses.

For payment of extraordinary expenses, to be expended under the direction of the governor and council, as authorized by chapter five hundred and forty-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight, a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved January 29, 1917.

Chap. 5 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND FOR THE RETIREMENT OF EMPLOYEES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, board of retirement, etc.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries of the board of

retirement and for expenses incurred by the board in connection with the retirement system for certain employees of the commonwealth, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

For the necessary expenses of administration, including clerical services, office supplies and office expenses, a sum not exceeding ten thousand five hundred dollars. Expenses of administration.

To provide for the necessary annuity funds and pensions for employees retired from the state service, a sum not exceeding forty-eight thousand dollars. Annuity funds and pensions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 29, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE LAND COURT. Chap. 6

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses of the land court, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: — Appropriations, land court.

For the salary of the judge of the court, eight thousand dollars. Judge, salary.

For the salary of the associate judge of the court, eight thousand dollars. Associate judge.

For the salary of the recorder of the court, forty-five hundred dollars. Recorder.

For the salary of the court officer for the sessions of the court, seventeen hundred dollars. Court officer.

For engineering and clerical assistance in the office of the court, a sum not exceeding thirteen thousand and ninety-five dollars. Engineering and clerical assistance.

For examination of titles, cost of publishing and serving citations and sundry incidental expenses of the court, including travel, a sum not exceeding twenty-nine thousand three hundred and eighty dollars. Examination of titles, etc.

For the preparation of sectional plans showing registered lands, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars. Preparation of sectional plans.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 29, 1917.

Chap. 7 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
department of
the attorney-
general.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the department of the attorney-general, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Attorney-
general, salary.

For the salary of the attorney-general, seven thousand dollars.

Assistants,
etc.

For the compensation of assistants in his office, and for such additional legal assistance as may be deemed necessary, and also for any other necessary expenses, a sum not exceeding forty-nine thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 29, 1917.

Chap. 8 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AUDITOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
department of
the auditor.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the auditor of the commonwealth, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Auditor, salary.

For the salary of the auditor, five thousand dollars.

Employees.

For salaries of employees holding positions established by statutes, a sum not exceeding nineteen thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

Additional
clerks, etc.

For additional clerks, examiners and stenographers, a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand two hundred dollars.

Messenger.

For the salary of the messenger, nine hundred dollars.

State printing
expert.

For the salary of the state printing expert, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Incidental and
contingent
expenses.

For incidental and contingent expenses, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 29, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL. Chap. 9

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the department of the treasurer and receiver general, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations, department of the treasurer and receiver general.

For the salary of the treasurer and receiver general, five thousand dollars.

Treasurer and receiver general, salary. Employees.

For salaries of employees holding positions established by statutes, a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand two hundred dollars.

For such additional clerical assistance as may be necessary for the despatch of public business, a sum not exceeding forty-five hundred dollars.

Clerical assistance.

For incidental and contingent expenses, a sum not exceeding sixty-eight hundred dollars.

Incidental expenses, etc.

For such expenses as the treasurer and receiver general may find necessary in carrying out the provisions of the act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Collecting tax on collateral legacies, etc.

For expenses in connection with preparing and advertising bond sales, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.

Preparing, etc., bond sales.

For the payment by the treasurer and receiver general of premiums on securities purchased for the Massachusetts School Fund, in accordance with section three of chapter forty-one of the Revised Laws, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Payment of premiums on certain securities.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 29, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES OF THE STATE BALLOT LAW COMMISSION. Chap. 10

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the state ballot law commission, for the year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations, state ballot law commission.

Commissioners,
salaries.

For compensation of the commissioners, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.

Expenses.

For expenses, a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 29, 1917.

[1900, 133; 1916, 25, Spec.]

Chap. 11 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWN OF NATICK.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Civil service
laws extended
to certain
employees of
town of Natick.

SECTION 1. The board of fire engineers, the permanent and call firemen and members of the police department in the town of Natick shall be subject to the civil service laws and the regulations made thereunder, but without requiring any examination of the present incumbents of said positions.

Act to be
submitted to
voters, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters of the said town present and voting thereon at any town meeting duly called for the purpose. If this act is submitted to the voters of the town of Natick at an annual town meeting the following question shall be placed on the official ballot used for the election of town officers: — "Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen to extend the civil service laws to the board of fire engineers, the permanent and call firemen, and members of the police department in the town of Natick be accepted?"

Certain provisions of
election law
not to apply.

SECTION 3. The provisions of chapter eight hundred and thirty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen and amendments thereof, in so far as the same are inconsistent herewith, shall not affect the proceedings under this act.

Time of
taking effect.

SECTION 4. So much of this act as provides for its submission to the voters of the town of Natick shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 30, 1917.

[Rejected, March 5, 1917.]

Chap. 12 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON THE DIRECT DEBT AND TEMPORARY LOANS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
payment of
interest on

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding one million eight hundred fifty-three thousand one hundred sixty-one dollars and

twelve cents is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the payment of interest on the direct debt, as provided by article XI of section I of chapter II of Part the Second of the constitution of Massachusetts, and for the payment of interest on temporary loans, the same to be in addition to any amounts received for accrued interest on bonds sold, for interest on advances made for cities and towns on account of the abolition of grade crossings, and for interest on the investments and on the average cash balance of the loan funds.

direct debt
and temporary
loans of com-
monwealth.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved January 30, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE COMPENSATION OF PERSONS RETIRED FROM THE SERVICE OF THE COMMONWEALTH AND OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES INJURED IN THE COURSE OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT, AND FOR THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ANNUITIES, PENSIONS AND CLAIMS.

Chap. 13

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, after examination and certification by the auditor, for the purposes specified, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Appropriations.

For the compensation of veterans of the civil war and certain others formerly in the service of the commonwealth and now retired from that service, a sum not exceeding sixty-six thousand dollars.

Compensation
of certain
persons retired
from service,
etc.

For the compensation of certain prison officers and inspectors formerly in the service of the commonwealth and now retired, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand two hundred dollars.

Certain prison
officers, etc.

For the compensation of district police officers formerly in the service of the commonwealth and now retired, a sum not exceeding sixteen hundred and twenty-five dollars.

District police
officers.

For the compensation of certain women formerly employed by the sergeant-at-arms in cleaning the state house and now retired, a sum not exceeding fourteen hundred dollars.

Certain women
formerly
employed
cleaning the
state house.

For the compensation of certain public employees for injuries sustained in the course of their employment, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars.

Certain public
employees for
injuries, etc.

Annuities to soldiers, etc.

For the payment of annuities to soldiers and others, a sum not exceeding ten thousand thirty-one dollars and seventeen cents.

Pensions.

For certain pensions, the sum of one hundred and eighty dollars.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

For the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.

Payment of certain claims.

For the payment of such claims as may arise in consequence of the death of firemen belonging to the regular organized fire department of a city or town, or of members in active service of any incorporated protective department, or of any person doing duty at the request of or by order of the authorities of a town which has no organized fire department, who are killed or who die from injuries received while in the discharge of their duties at fires, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 30, 1917.

Chap. 14 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, state department of health.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the state department of health, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Commissioner, salary.

For the salary of the commissioner of health, a sum not exceeding seventy-five hundred dollars.

General work, etc.

For general work, including the compensation of the health council, salaries of certain assistants, clerks and stenographers, and for certain travelling and office expenses, a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand dollars.

Annual report.

For printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

Division of hygiene.

For salaries and expenses of the division of hygiene, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

Director of division of communicable diseases.

For the salary of the director of the division of communicable diseases, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

Epidemiologist.

For the salary and expenses of the epidemiologist, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

For the salaries, travelling and other expenses of the inspectors of health, a sum not exceeding thirty-eight thousand eight hundred dollars.

Inspectors of health.

For salaries and expenses for the maintenance of a diagnostic laboratory, a sum not exceeding sixty-five hundred dollars.

Diagnostic laboratory.

For salaries and expenses in connection with the manufacture and distribution of antitoxin and vaccine lymph, and for making certain investigations relative to the Wassermann test, a sum not exceeding twenty-nine thousand dollars.

Manufacture, etc., of antitoxin.

For expenses of supplies to be used in the enforcement of the law relative to ophthalmia neonatorum, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Certain supplies.

For the salary of the director of the division of food and drugs, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars.

Director of food and drugs.

For the inspection of milk, food and drugs, a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand five hundred dollars.

Inspection of milk, food, etc.

For salaries, travelling and other expenses in connection with slaughtering inspection and the inspection of food products treated by cold storage, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars.

Slaughtering inspection, etc.

For services of engineers, chemists, biologists, clerks and other employes and experts, and for the necessary travelling and other expenses incurred for the protection of the purity of inland waters, for the examination of sewer outlets, and for the examination of the sanitary condition of certain rivers and water courses, a sum not exceeding fifty-six thousand eight hundred dollars.

Engineers, chemists, etc.

For compensation, travelling and other expenses of the state examiners of plumbers, a sum not exceeding fifty-two hundred dollars.

State examiners of plumbers.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 30, 1917.

[1895, 121.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MILTON TO REVOKE THE RESERVED SPECIAL SPACE FOR THE USE OF STREET RAILWAYS IN A PART OF BLUE HILL AVENUE.

Chap. 15

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Milton may, by vote of a majority of the voters voting thereon at a town meeting called

Town of Milton may revoke reservation of

certain space
for use of street
railways.

for the purpose, revoke the reservation of a special reserved space for the use of street railways in that part of Blue Hill avenue which lies between the intersection of Blue Hill avenue with the Blue Hills parkway and a point on Blue Hill avenue three hundred feet southwesterly of its intersection with the southerly side of Cheever street. Upon such revocation, the provisions of chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five shall cease to apply to that part of Blue Hill avenue which lies between the points aforesaid. The question whether such reservation shall be revoked may be voted upon in an open town meeting and need not be placed upon the official ballot.

Certain location
not affected.

SECTION 2. The revocation above provided for shall not otherwise affect the validity of the location in the above described part of Blue Hill avenue heretofore granted to the Blue Hill Street Railway, but said location may be altered in accordance with the provisions of section sixty-five of Part III of chapter four hundred and sixty-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six, as amended by section three of chapter four hundred and seventeen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, and of any other acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 30, 1917.

Chap. 16 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT OF STATE AND MILITARY AID AND EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
payment of
state and mil-
itary aid, etc.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the purposes specified herein, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Commissioner,
salary.

For the salary of the commissioner of state aid and pensions, twenty-seven hundred dollars.

Employees.

For salaries of employees holding positions established by statute, sixty-nine hundred dollars.

Clerks.

For the salaries of clerks, a sum not exceeding fifty-two hundred dollars.

For incidental and contingent expenses, including travel, a sum not exceeding sixteen hundred sixty dollars and fifty cents.

Incidental and contingent expenses.

For reimbursement of cities and towns for money paid on account of state and military aid to Massachusetts volunteers and their families, a sum not exceeding six hundred and seventy-four thousand dollars, the same to be paid on or before the fifteenth day of November in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Reimbursement of cities and towns.

For reimbursement of cities and towns for state aid to soldiers serving on the Mexican border and their dependents, a sum not exceeding forty-three thousand dollars.

State aid to soldiers serving on the Mexican border.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 31, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.

Chap. 17

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the insurance commissioner, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Appropriations, department of insurance commissioner.

For the salary of the commissioner, five thousand dollars.

Commissioner, salary.
Deputy commissioner.

For the salary of the deputy commissioner, thirty-five hundred dollars.

For the salary of the examiner, three thousand dollars.

Examiner.

For the salary of an additional examiner, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Additional examiner.

For the salary of the actuary, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Actuary.

For the salary of the assistant actuary, two thousand dollars.

Assistant actuary.

For additional clerks and assistants, a sum not exceeding fifty-eight thousand five hundred dollars.

Additional clerks and assistants.

For incidental and contingent expenses, including the rent of rooms outside the state house, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand five hundred dollars.

Incidental and contingent expenses.

For printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

Annual report.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 31, 1917.

Chap. 18 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUPERVISION OF LIFE INSURANCE DEPARTMENTS IN SAVINGS BANKS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
supervision of
life insurance
departments in
savings banks.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, under the direction of the trustees of the General Insurance Guaranty Fund, for necessary expenses in connection with the supervision of life insurance departments in savings banks, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Actuary and
assistant.

For the salaries of the actuary and assistant actuary, thirty-nine hundred dollars.

Medical
director and
assistant.

For the salaries of the medical director and assistant medical director, thirty-one hundred dollars.

Secretary.

For the salary of the secretary, fifteen hundred dollars.

Publicity.

For publicity, as authorized by chapter one hundred and sixty-eight of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Other expenses.

For other necessary expenses, a sum not exceeding ninety-five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 31, 1917.

Chap. 19 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT POLICE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
district police.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the district police, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Chief, salary.

For the salary of the chief, three thousand dollars.

First clerk.

For the salary of the first clerk, fifteen hundred dollars.

Second clerk.

For the salary of the second clerk, one thousand dollars.

Stenographer.

For the salary of a stenographer in the department of the chief, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Other
stenographers.

For stenographers in branch offices, a sum not exceeding four thousand and nine dollars.

For postage, printing, stationery, telephone, telegraph, incidental and contingent office expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand dollars.

Postage,
printing, etc.

DETECTIVE DEPARTMENT.

For the salary of the deputy chief, twenty-four hundred dollars.

Deputy chief
detectives,
salary.

For the salary of the clerk, twelve hundred dollars.

Clerk.

For the salaries of stenographers, thirty-three hundred and fifty-five dollars.

Stenographers.

For the salary of the storekeeper, nine hundred dollars.

Storekeeper.

For the compensation of the members, a sum not exceeding forty-eight thousand four hundred and seventy-six dollars.

Members.

For travelling expenses of the members, a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand dollars.

Travelling
expenses.

For special services and expenses in investigating fires, including witness fees, travel, contingent and incidental expenses, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.

Special
services.

For the expense of operating the steamer Lexington, used in the enforcement of the fish laws of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding ninety-five hundred dollars.

Steamer
Lexington.

For the maintenance of a state steamer for use in the waters of the commonwealth in the enforcement of law and prevention of crime, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

State steamer.

For expert assistance in the enforcement of statutes relative to explosives and inflammable fluids and compounds, a sum not exceeding thirty-two hundred and fifty dollars.

Expert
assistance.

BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT.

For the salary of the deputy chief, twenty-four hundred dollars.

Deputy chief
building in-
spection,
salary.

For the salaries of two stenographers, a sum not exceeding fourteen hundred and seventeen dollars.

Stenographers.

For the compensation of the members, a sum not exceeding thirty-one thousand two hundred and thirteen dollars.

Members.

For travelling expenses of the members, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

Travelling
expenses.

For maintaining in good condition apparatus for testing applicants for moving picture licenses, and for furnishing supplies to operate the same, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.

Apparatus for
testing appli-
cants for
moving picture
licenses.

BOILER INSPECTION DEPARTMENT.

Deputy chief
boiler inspection,
salary.

For the salary of the deputy chief, twenty-four hundred dollars.

Stenographers.

For the salaries of stenographers, a sum not exceeding twenty-nine hundred and sixty-five dollars.

Members.

For compensation of the members, a sum not exceeding forty-one thousand four hundred and eleven dollars.

Travelling
expenses.

For travelling expenses of the members, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Investigation
work.

For investigation work, apparatus and maintenance, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

BOARD OF BOILER RULES.

Board of boiler
rules, compensation.

For compensation of the board of boiler rules, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Expenses.

For expenses of said board, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 1, 1917.

Chap. 20 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE STATE BOARD OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*Appropriations,
state board of
conciliation and
arbitration.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the state board of conciliation and arbitration, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Members,
salaries.

For the salaries of the members, seventy-five hundred dollars.

Secretary.

For the salary of the secretary, fifteen hundred dollars.

Travelling,
incidental
expenses, etc.

For travelling, incidental and contingent expenses, including printing and binding the annual report and the compensation of expert assistants, a sum not exceeding sixteen thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 1, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH. *Chap. 21*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the judicial department of the commonwealth, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Appropriations, judicial department.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

For the salaries and travelling expenses of the chief justice and of the six associate justices, seventy-four thousand dollars.

Chief justice and associate justices, salaries.

For the salaries of the retired justices, thirty thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Retired justices.

For the salary of the clerk, three thousand dollars.

Clerk.

For clerical assistance to the clerk, eight hundred dollars.

Clerical assistance to clerk.

For clerical assistance to the justices, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

Clerical assistance to justices.

For expenses of the supreme judicial court, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Expenses.

For the salary of the reporter of decisions, four thousand dollars; and for clerk hire and incidental expenses of said reporter, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Reporter of decisions, etc.

For the salaries of the officers and messengers, twenty-four hundred dollars.

Officers and messengers.

For the salary of the clerk for the county of Suffolk, fifteen hundred dollars.

Clerk, Suffolk county.

For the salary of the assistant clerk for the county of Suffolk, five hundred dollars.

Assistant clerk.

SUPERIOR COURT.

For the salaries and travelling expenses of the chief justice and of the twenty-seven associate justices, two hundred thirty-eight thousand five hundred dollars.

Chief justice and associate justices, salaries.

For the salary of the assistant clerk, five hundred dollars.

Assistant clerk.

For printing, transportation of papers and documents, and for incidental expenses of the superior court, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Printing, transportation of documents, etc.

COURTS OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

- Judge of probate and insolvency, Barnstable, Berkshire. For the salary of the judge for the county of Barnstable, eighteen hundred dollars.
- Bristol. For the salary of the judge for the county of Berkshire, twenty-five hundred dollars.
- Dukes County. For the salary of the judge for the county of Bristol, forty-five hundred dollars.
- Essex. For the salary of the judge for the county of Dukes County, thirteen hundred dollars.
- Franklin. For the salaries of the two judges for the county of Essex, eight thousand dollars.
- Hampden. For the salary of the judge for the county of Franklin, eighteen hundred dollars.
- Hampshire. For the salary of the judge for the county of Hampden, forty-one hundred dollars.
- Middlesex. For the salary of the judge for the county of Hampshire, eighteen hundred dollars.
- Nantucket. For the salaries of the two judges for the county of Middlesex, twelve thousand dollars.
- Norfolk. For the salary of the judge for the county of Nantucket, thirteen hundred dollars.
- Plymouth. For the salary of the judge for the county of Norfolk, five thousand dollars.
- Suffolk. For the salary of the judge for the county of Plymouth, twenty-nine hundred dollars.
- Worcester. For the salaries of the two judges for the county of Suffolk, fourteen thousand dollars.
- Judges acting in other counties. For the salaries of the two judges for the county of Worcester, nine thousand dollars.
- Register, Barnstable, Berkshire. For the compensation of judges acting in other counties than their own, a sum not exceeding twenty-one hundred dollars.
- Berkshire. For the salary of the register for the county of Barnstable, sixteen hundred dollars.
- Bristol. For the salary of the register for the county of Berkshire, nineteen hundred dollars.
- Dukes County. For the salary of the register for the county of Bristol, thirty-five hundred dollars.
- Essex. For the salary of the register for the county of Dukes County, one thousand dollars.
- For the salary of the register for the county of Essex, thirty-five hundred dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Franklin, Franklin, sixteen hundred dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Hampden, Hampden, thirty-four hundred dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Hampshire, Hampshire, sixteen hundred dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Middlesex, Middlesex, five thousand dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Nantucket, Nantucket, one thousand dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Norfolk, Norfolk, twenty-eight hundred dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Plymouth, Plymouth, twenty-four hundred dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Suffolk, five thousand dollars.

For the salary of the register for the county of Worcester, Worcester, thirty-five hundred dollars.

For the salary of the assistant register for the county of Barnstable, eight hundred dollars. Assistant register, Barnstable.

For the salary of the assistant register for the county of Berkshire, Berkshire, twelve hundred dollars.

For the salary of the assistant register for the county of Bristol, Bristol, twenty-three hundred dollars.

For the salaries of the assistant registers for the county of Essex, Essex, forty-one hundred dollars.

For the salary of the assistant register for the county of Franklin, Franklin, eight hundred dollars.

For the salary of the assistant register for the county of Hampden, Hampden, seventeen hundred dollars.

For the salary of the assistant register for the county of Hampshire, Hampshire, eight hundred dollars.

For the salaries of the assistant registers for the county of Middlesex, Middlesex, seventy-three hundred dollars.

For the salary of the assistant register for the county of Norfolk, Norfolk, sixteen hundred and fifty dollars.

For the salary of the assistant register for the county of Plymouth, Plymouth, twelve hundred dollars.

For the salaries of the assistant registers for the county of Suffolk, Suffolk, six thousand dollars.

For the salaries of the assistant registers for the county of Worcester, Worcester, thirty-five hundred dollars.

For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Barnstable, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars. Clerical assistance, Barnstable.

- Berkshire. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Berkshire, a sum not exceeding nine hundred dollars.
- Bristol. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Bristol, a sum not exceeding forty-three hundred sixty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents.
- Dukes County. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Dukes County, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.
- Essex. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Essex, a sum not exceeding seventy-five hundred sixteen dollars and sixty-seven cents.
- Franklin. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Franklin, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars.
- Hampden. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Hampden, a sum not exceeding thirty-two hundred thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents.
- Hampshire. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Hampshire, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars.
- Middlesex. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Middlesex, a sum not exceeding ninety-one hundred sixty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents.
- Nantucket. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Nantucket, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.
- Norfolk. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Norfolk, a sum not exceeding thirty-six hundred dollars.
- Plymouth. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Plymouth, a sum not exceeding twenty-two hundred dollars.
- Suffolk. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Suffolk, a sum not exceeding seventy-one hundred dollars.
- Worcester. For clerical assistance to the register for the county of Worcester, a sum not exceeding seven thousand sixteen dollars and sixty-seven cents.
- Clerk of register, Middlesex. For the salary of the clerk of the register for the county of Middlesex, fourteen hundred and eighty-five dollars.
- Suffolk. For the salary of the clerk of the register for the county of Suffolk, fourteen hundred dollars.

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS.

- District attorney, Suffolk district. For the salary of the district attorney for the Suffolk district, seven thousand dollars.
- Assistants. For the salaries of the first, second and third assistant district attorneys for the Suffolk district, eleven thousand four hundred dollars.

For the salaries of the deputy assistants of the district attorney for the Suffolk district, five thousand dollars.	Deputy Assistants.
For the salary of the district attorney for the northern district, four thousand dollars.	Northern district.
For the salaries of the assistant district attorneys for the northern district, thirty-eight hundred dollars.	Assistant district attorneys.
For the salary of the deputy assistant district attorney for the northern district, a sum not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars.	Deputy assistant.
For the salary of the district attorney for the eastern district, three thousand dollars.	Eastern district.
For the salary of the assistant district attorney for the eastern district, two thousand dollars.	Assistant district attorney.
For the salary of the district attorney for the southeastern district, three thousand dollars.	Southeastern district.
For the salary of the assistant district attorney for the southeastern district, two thousand dollars.	Assistant.
For the salary of the second assistant district attorney for the southeastern district, twelve hundred dollars.	Second assistant.
For the salary of the district attorney for the southern district, twenty-four hundred dollars.	Southern district.
For the salary of the assistant district attorney for the southern district, sixteen hundred dollars.	Assistant district attorney.
For the salary of the district attorney for the middle district, twenty-four hundred dollars.	Middle district.
For the salary of the assistant district attorney for the middle district, sixteen hundred dollars.	Assistant district attorney.
For the salary of the district attorney for the western district, twenty-four hundred dollars.	Western district.
For the salary of the district attorney for the northwestern district, thirteen hundred and fifty dollars.	Northwestern district.
For travelling expenses necessarily incurred by the district attorneys, except in the Suffolk district, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.	Travelling expenses.

COMMISSION ON PROBATION.

For salaries and expenses of the commission on probation, including printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 1, 1917.

Chap. 22 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE BOARD OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, board of free public library commissioners. SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the free public library commissioners, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Establishment, etc., of free public libraries. To carry out the provisions of the act to promote the establishment and efficiency of free public libraries, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Agent. For the salary of the agent of said commissioners, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars.

Agent, educational work among aliens. For the salary of an agent to direct educational work among aliens, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Clerical assistance, etc. For clerical assistance to, and incidental expenses of, the commissioners, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Annual report. For printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 1, 1917.

Chap. 23 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, Massachusetts Agricultural College. SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the Massachusetts Agricultural College, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Maintenance. For maintenance and current expenses, payable in equal quarterly instalments, the sum of three hundred and forty-one thousand dollars.

Travelling, etc., expenses. For travelling and other necessary expenses of the trustees, a sum not exceeding nine hundred dollars.

Printing and binding reports. For printing and binding the reports of the trustees, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

Inspection of feed stuffs. For the inspection of commercial feed stuffs, six thousand dollars.

To meet the costs of prosecutions in regulating the use of utensils for testing the composition or value of milk and cream, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 1, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSION APPOINTED TO CONSOLIDATE AND ARRANGE THE GENERAL LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH. Chap. 24

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sum of twenty-nine thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws of the commonwealth, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Appropriations, commission to consolidate, etc., general laws of the commonwealth.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 1, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND FOR SUNDRY OTHER EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES. Chap. 25

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses to be expended with the approval of the board of education, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Appropriations, board of education, etc.

For the salaries of the commissioner, deputy commissioners, assistants, agents, clerks and messengers of said board, a sum not exceeding fifty-four thousand dollars.

Commissioner, deputies, etc., salaries.

For the travelling expenses of the commissioner, deputies, agents and assistants, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

Travelling expenses.

For incidental expenses of the board, travelling and other necessary expenses of the members thereof, and for obtaining information regarding educational methods in other states, a sum not exceeding sixty-six hundred dollars.

Incidental expenses.

Annual reports, etc.

For printing and binding the annual reports and bulletins, a sum not exceeding fifty-five hundred dollars.

Rules for testing sight, etc.

For furnishing school committees with rules for testing the sight and hearing of pupils, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

School registers, etc.

For school registers and other school blanks for the cities and towns, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.

School superintendents for small towns.

To enable small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents, a sum not exceeding eighty-one thousand dollars.

Division of university extension.

For the expenses of a division for the maintenance of university extension and correspondence courses, a sum not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars.

Tuition of children in certain high schools.

For the payment of tuition of children in high schools outside of the town in which they live, as provided by section three of chapter forty-two of the Revised Laws, and amendments thereof, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding ninety-five thousand five hundred dollars.

Transportation of high school pupils.

For the transportation of high school pupils to outside high schools, in certain towns, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

Training teachers for vocational schools.

For training teachers for vocational schools, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

Aid to pupils in state normal schools.

For aid to pupils in state normal schools, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, payable in semi-annual instalments, to be expended under the direction of the board of education.

Teachers' institutes.

For expenses of teachers' institutes, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Massachusetts Teachers' Association.

For the Massachusetts Teachers' Association, the sum of three hundred dollars.

County teachers' associations.

For expenses of county teachers' associations, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Education of deaf pupils, etc.

For the education of deaf pupils of the commonwealth in the schools designated by law, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding one hundred thirty-three thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind.

For the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, as provided by chapter nineteen of the resolves of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, the sum of thirty thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 1, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE TRUSTEES OF MASSACHUSETTS TRAINING SCHOOLS. *Chap. 26*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the expenses of the trustees of Massachusetts training schools, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations, trustees of Massachusetts training schools.

For the salary and office expenses of the secretary of the trustees, a sum not exceeding thirty-nine hundred dollars.

Secretary, salary, etc.

For travelling and other expenses of the trustees, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Travelling, etc., expenses.

For the salaries and expenses of agents employed for the supervision of boys boarded out in families, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

Agents, salaries, etc.

For expenses in connection with boarding out children from the Lyman and industrial schools for boys, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Expenses, boarding out children.

For expenses in connection with the care of probationers from the state industrial school for girls, including boarding out and other expenses of girls on probation, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding nineteen thousand seven hundred dollars.

Expenses, care of probationers.

For instruction in the public schools of children boarded out by the trustees of the Lyman and industrial schools, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.

Instruction in public schools of certain children.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 2, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN MEDICINE. *Chap. 27*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the board of registration in medicine, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations, board of registration in medicine.

Members, salaries. For the salaries of the members of the board, forty-three hundred dollars.

Travelling, etc., expenses. For travelling and other expenses of the board, a sum not exceeding five hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Clerical services. For clerical services, the sum of eleven hundred and fifty dollars.

Printing, postage, etc. For printing, postage, office supplies and contingent expenses of the members of the board, including printing the annual report, and for rent of rooms outside the state house, a sum not exceeding fourteen hundred and seventy-five dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 2, 1917.

Chap. 28 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, board of dental examiners. SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the board of dental examiners, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Members, salaries. For the salaries of members, seventeen hundred dollars.

Clerical services, etc. For clerical services, postage, printing, travelling and other necessary expenses, including printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 2, 1917.

Chap. 29 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, retirement system for public school teachers. SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, under the direction of the teachers' retirement board, for salaries, pensions and other expenses in connection with the retirement system for public school teachers, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

For the salary of the secretary of the board, two thousand dollars. Secretary, salary.

For stenographers, clerical and other assistance, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars. Stenographers, etc.

For sundry contingent expenses, a sum not exceeding sixteen hundred eighty-eight dollars and sixty cents. Contingent expenses.

For the payment of pensions, a sum not exceeding ninety-six thousand dollars. Payment of pensions.

For reimbursement to cities and towns for certain pensions paid to retired school teachers, the sum of sixteen thousand eight hundred eleven dollars and forty cents. Reimbursement to cities and towns for certain pensions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 2, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN VETERINARY MEDICINE. Chap. 30

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the board of registration in veterinary medicine, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:— Appropriations, board of registration in veterinary medicine.

For the salaries of the members, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars. Members, salaries.

For travelling and other expenses, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars. Travelling, etc., expenses.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 2, 1917.

[1852, 173; 1874, 11.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOSTON YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION TO INCREASE ITS HOLDINGS OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY. Chap. 31

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter eleven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four is hereby amended by striking out the word "three", in the third line, and inserting in place thereof the words:— two million five, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 1.* The Boston Young Men's Christian Union may hold real and personal 1874, 11, § 1, amended.
Boston Young Men's Christian Union

may increase
real and
personal estate.

estate to an amount not exceeding two million five hundred thousand dollars in value.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 2, 1917.

Chap. 32 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SOCIETY OF THE AUGUSTINIAN FATHERS OF THE ASSUMPTION IN WORCESTER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Corporate
name changed
to Trustees of
Assumption
College in
Worcester.

SECTION 1. The corporate name of the Society of the Augustinian Fathers of the Assumption, incorporated under the general laws on the first day of December in the year nineteen hundred and four, is hereby changed to Trustees of Assumption College in Worcester.

Powers, etc.

SECTION 2. The said corporation is authorized to conduct and maintain the Assumption college in the city of Worcester for the promotion of virtue and piety, and for instruction in such of the languages, and of the liberal and useful arts and sciences as shall be selected from time to time by the corporation; and the corporation may confer the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

May confer
degree,
Bachelor
of Arts.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 6, 1917.

Chap. 33 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE PENIKESE HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
Penikese
hospital.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the Penikese hospital, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 34 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A RECORD OF MASSACHUSETTS SOLDIERS AND SAILORS WHO SERVED IN THE WAR OF THE REBELLION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
publication of
record of
Massachusetts

SECTION 1. The sum of eight thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the com-

monwealth from the ordinary revenue, for expenses in connection with the publication of a record of Massachusetts troops and officers, sailors and marines in the war of the rebellion, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

soldiers and
sailors, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE BOARD OF GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMISSIONERS.

Chap. 35

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the receipts of the gas and electric light commission and the assessments on the companies, except as may otherwise be provided, for the salaries and expenses of the board of gas and electric light commissioners, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations, board of gas and electric light commissioners.

For the salaries of the commissioners, fourteen thousand dollars.

Commissioners, salaries.

For clerical assistance, a sum not exceeding seventy-eight hundred dollars.

Clerical assistance.

For the salary of the present gas inspector, three thousand dollars.

Gas inspector.

For the salary of the present first assistant inspector, twenty-two hundred dollars.

Present first assistant inspector.

For the salary of the second assistant inspector, fifteen hundred dollars.

Second assistant inspector.

For statistics, books, stationery and other necessary expenses, a sum not exceeding forty-five hundred dollars.

Statistics, books, etc.

For compensation of deputies, travelling expenses, apparatus, office rent and other incidental expenses, a sum not exceeding ten thousand three hundred dollars.

Deputies, salaries, etc.

For salaries and expenses of expert assistants, as authorized by chapter six hundred and thirty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, a sum not exceeding fifty-five hundred dollars.

Expert assistants, salaries, etc.

For rent of offices, a sum not exceeding fifty-two hundred dollars.

Rent of offices.

For printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding thirty-two hundred dollars.

Printing, etc., annual report.

Inspection of electric meters.

For the inspection of electric meters, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Expenses, abatement of smoke nuisance.

For expenses in connection with the abatement of the smoke nuisance, a sum not exceeding seventy-eight hundred dollars, the same to be assessed upon the cities and towns of the district defined in section one of chapter six hundred and fifty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and ten.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 36 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE HOMESTEAD COMMISSION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation, homestead commission.

SECTION 1. The sum of thirty-three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the compensation of the members of the homestead commission, and for the clerical and other expenses of the commission, during the year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 37 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE BUREAU OF STATISTICS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, bureau of statistics.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the bureau of statistics, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Director, salary.

For the salary of the director, four thousand dollars.

Deputy director.

For the salary of the deputy director, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Clerical assistance, etc.

For additional clerical assistance and special agents, a sum not exceeding sixty thousand dollars.

Contingent, etc., expenses.

For contingent and office expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, travelling and other expenses in connection with the annual collection of statistics of manu-

factures, and expenses in connection with municipal returns, a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars.

For the establishment and maintenance of free employment offices, a sum not exceeding thirty-six thousand five hundred dollars. Free employment offices.

For expenses in connection with taking the decennial census, as provided by chapter six hundred and ninety-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, said sum to be in addition to the amounts heretofore appropriated for the same purpose. Decennial census.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 7, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER OF COUNTY ACCOUNTS. *Chap. 38*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses in the department of the controller of county accounts, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: — Appropriations, office of controller of county accounts.

For the salary of the controller, twenty-five hundred dollars. Controller, salary.

For salaries of the deputies as fixed by the statutes, six thousand dollars. Deputies.

For travelling and office expenses of the controller and his deputies, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars. Travelling, etc., expenses.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 7, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE STATE FOREST COMMISSION. *Chap. 39*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, under the direction of the state forest commission, as authorized by chapter seven hundred and twenty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred Appropriations, state forest commission.

and fourteen, as amended by chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, to wit: —

Reforestation
of lands, etc.

For the acquisition, reforestation, maintenance and development of lands suitable for timber cultivation within the commonwealth, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, said sum to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Necessary
expenses.

For necessary expenses of the commission, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 40 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
department
of animal
industry.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the department of animal industry, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Commissioner,
salary.

For the salary of the commissioner of animal industry, thirty-five hundred dollars.

Clerical
assistance.

For clerical assistance and contingent expenses, a sum not exceeding ninety-six hundred and fifty dollars.

Extermination
of contagious
diseases.

For the extermination of contagious diseases among horses, cattle and other animals, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding one hundred and forty-six thousand dollars.

Inspectors of
animals,
compensation.

For compensation of inspectors of animals, a sum not exceeding sixty-two hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 41 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
board
of commis-

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the com-

monwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the compensation and expenses of the board of commissioners on fisheries and game, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

For compensation of the commissioners, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars. Commissioners, salaries.

For clerical services, a sum not exceeding fifty-five hundred dollars. Clerical services.

For travelling and incidental office expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding seventy-two hundred dollars. Incidental, etc., expenses.

For enforcement of the laws relative to fisheries and game, including salaries and expenses of deputies, a sum not exceeding fifty-six thousand five hundred dollars. Enforcement of laws, etc.

For stocking great ponds with food fish, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars. Stocking great ponds.

For the maintenance of fish hatcheries, the propagation of food and game fish, the purchase of lobsters with eggs attached, the establishment of bird and game preserves, and the maintenance of game farms for the protection and propagation of wild birds and quadrupeds, a sum not exceeding sixty-one thousand dollars. Fish hatcheries, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 7, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE AUDITING OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTS AND THE TAKING OF A SUMMER CENSUS BY THE BUREAU OF STATISTICS. Chap. 42

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of auditing municipal accounts, the same to be met by assessments upon the municipalities for which the work is done. Appropriations, auditing municipal accounts.

A sum not exceeding one thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to pay the expense of taking a special census in towns having an increased resident population during the summer months, the same to be met by assessments upon the towns for which the work is done. Special summer census.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 7, 1917.

[1812, 21; 1863, 185; 1866, 185; 1880, 23; 1888, 343; 1894, 138; 1903, 192; 1905, 164; 1907, 146; 1909, 142; 1910, 413.]

Chap. 43 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS TO HOLD ADDITIONAL REAL AND PERSONAL ESTATE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1910, 413, § 1,
amended.

American
Board of
Commissioners
for Foreign
Missions may
hold additional
estate.

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter four hundred and thirteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and ten is hereby amended by striking out the said section and inserting in place thereof the following:—*Section 1.* The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, incorporated by chapter twenty-one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and twelve, is hereby authorized to take and hold in fee simple or otherwise lands, tenements or hereditaments, by gift, grant, devise or otherwise, for the purposes for which it was incorporated, to an amount not exceeding in value ten million dollars, and may also take and hold by gift, bequest or otherwise, personal property to an amount not exceeding twenty-five million dollars, anything in its act of incorporation or in subsequent acts amending the same to the contrary notwithstanding.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 44 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARY AND EXPENSES OF THE STATE FORESTER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
state forester.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salary and expenses of the state forester, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

State forester,
salary.
Clerical assistance,
etc.

For the salary of the state forester, five thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance and incidental and contingent expenses, and for establishing forest tree nurseries, a sum not exceeding twenty-two thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars.

Purchase of
land, etc.

For the purchase of land and for reforesting the same, ten thousand dollars.

Prevention of
forest fires.

For the better prevention of forest fires, a sum not exceeding twenty-eight thousand dollars.

For aiding towns in preventing or extinguishing forest fires and for making protective belts or zones as a defence against forest fires, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Aiding towns, etc.

For the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths and for expenses incidental thereto, the sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for this purpose, and any unexpended balance thereof at the end of the present fiscal year may be used in the succeeding year.

Suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES OF THE TRUSTEES OF HOSPITALS FOR CONSUMPTIVES. Chap. 45

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the expenses of the trustees of hospitals for consumptives, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations, trustees of hospitals for consumptives.

For the salary of the secretary and clerks, a sum not exceeding fifty-nine hundred eight dollars and thirty-five cents.

Secretary, etc., salaries.

For the salary of an agent to inspect hospitals in cities and towns, fifteen hundred dollars.

Agent.

For the salary of a trained social worker to look up discharged patients, a sum not exceeding thirteen hundred dollars.

Trained social worker.

For travelling and other necessary expenses of the trustees, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding thirty-eight hundred dollars.

Travelling, etc., expenses.

For the payment of the subsidies to which certain cities and towns are entitled for the period ending November thirtieth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, for the establishment and maintenance of tuberculosis hospitals, a sum not exceeding one hundred ninety-two thousand six hundred forty-four dollars and twenty-nine cents.

Payment of subsidies.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 46 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, state examiners of electricians.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the office of the state examiners of electricians, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Employees, salaries.

For the salaries of employees, a sum not exceeding thirty-six hundred dollars.

Office, etc., expenses.

For office, travelling and other necessary expenses, a sum not exceeding thirty-seven hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

[1882, 119; 1883, 12; 1887, 271.]

Chap. 47 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF SPENCER TO MAKE TAKINGS AND INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECONSTRUCTING AND RELAYING WATER MAINS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Spencer may take lands, etc., for constructing water mains.

SECTION 1. The town of Spencer, for the purpose of reconstructing and relaying its water mains and for acquiring easements, or rights of way, is hereby authorized to take or acquire by purchase or otherwise, such land or rights therein in the towns of Leicester and Spencer as may be necessary for that purpose; and may construct, lay out and maintain pipes or conduits across such lands for the purpose of conducting water from Shaw pond, the present source of supply, to the village of Spencer: *provided, however,* that no pipes or conduits shall be laid in any public way in the town of Leicester, without the consent of the selectmen of the town.

Proviso.

Description of lands, etc., to be recorded.

SECTION 2. The town of Spencer shall within ninety days after the taking of any lands, rights of way or easements, as aforesaid, file and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the Worcester district of the county of Worcester, a description thereof sufficiently accurate for identification, with a statement of the purpose for which the same were taken, signed by the selectmen.

SECTION 3. The town of Spencer shall pay all damages to property sustained by any person or corporation by the taking of any land, rights of way or easements, or by any other thing done by said town under authority of this act. Any person or corporation sustaining damages under this act, and failing to agree with said town as to the amount thereof, may have the same determined in the manner provided by law in the case of land taken for the laying out of highways, on application at any time within the period of two years after the taking of such land, rights of way or easements or the doing of other injury under the authority of this act; but no application shall be made after the expiration of the said two years.

Damages
to property,
how paid, etc.

SECTION 4. The town of Spencer, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, is hereby authorized to borrow outside the statutory limit of indebtedness, a sum not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars, and to issue from time to time bonds or notes of the town therefor. Such bonds or notes shall be denominated on the face thereof, Spencer Water Loan, Act of 1917, shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date, and the amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Spencer Water
Loan, Act of
1917.

SECTION 5. The town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section four of this act, and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum, which with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual operating expenses of the water works and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required, shall, annually thereafter, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town in the same manner as other

Payment
of loan.

Income, how
spent.

taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished. No portion of the income from the sale of water shall be appropriated for any purpose other than the defraying of operating expenses, interest charges, and payments upon the principal as they accrue upon bonds or notes issued for water supply purposes and for such new construction or reconstruction of such parts of the water system as may be determined upon.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

[1869, 58; 1890, 31, 98; 1896, 242]

Chap. 48 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE POWERS AND PURPOSES OF THE
WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1869, 58, § 2,
amended.

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter fifty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-nine is hereby amended by striking out the words "hundred thousand", in the second line, and inserting in place thereof the word: —million,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 2.* Said corporation may hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding two million dollars, to be devoted exclusively to the purposes and objects hereinafter set forth.

Woman's Board
of Missions may
hold additional
property.

1869, 58, § 3,
etc., amended.

SECTION 2. Said chapter fifty-eight as affected by chapter ninety-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety is hereby further amended by striking out section three and inserting in place thereof the following:—*Section 3.* The purpose of this corporation is the christianization, education and physical relief of women and children in foreign lands in co-operation with the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. To this end the corporation may collect, receive, hold, invest and expend money or other personal property derived from contributions, bequests or otherwise, and may receive or acquire and hold real estate either in the United States or in foreign countries to carry out the purposes for which the corporation is established, or for purposes of investment, and may convey or lease real estate.

Purpose,
powers, etc.,
amended.

1869, 58, § 4,
etc., amended.

SECTION 3. Said chapter fifty-eight as affected by said chapter ninety-eight is hereby further amended by inserting after section three the following new section to be numbered four:—*Section 4.* The corporation may at any annual meeting elect by ballot any suitable persons to be members,

Membership.

and may establish the terms of membership and the qualifications and methods for the election of members.

SECTION 4. All votes and proceedings of the Woman's Board of Missions at any meeting heretofore held are hereby confirmed and made valid. Acts confirmed.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 7, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE MASSACHUSETTS NAUTICAL SCHOOL. Chap. 49

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the Massachusetts nautical school, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:— Appropriations, Massachusetts nautical school.

For expenses of the commissioners, the salary of the secretary, clerical services, printing, stationery, contingent expenses and printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars. Expenses of commissioners, etc.

For the current expenses of the school, a sum not exceeding sixty-seven thousand dollars. Current expenses.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 7, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN OPTOMETRY. Chap. 50

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the board of registration in optometry, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen: *provided*, that the expenditures authorized by this act are not in excess of the receipts for registration paid into the treasury of the commonwealth during the current year, to wit:— Appropriations, board of registration in optometry.

For compensation of members, a sum not exceeding sixteen hundred dollars. Proviso.
Members, compensation.

Clerical assistance, etc.

For clerical assistance, office supplies, and incidental and travelling expenses, including printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding five hundred and fifty dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 51 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARY AND EXPENSES OF THE SUPERVISOR OF LOAN AGENCIES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, supervisor of loan agencies.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the office of the supervisor of loan agencies, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Supervisor, salary.

For the salary of the supervisor, thirty-five hundred dollars.

Clerical assistance.

For clerical assistance and other necessary expenses, a sum not exceeding seventy-two hundred and eighty dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 52 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARY AND EXPENSES OF THE FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSIONER FOR THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, fire prevention commissioner.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salary and expenses of the fire prevention commissioner for the metropolitan district, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and said amounts are to be assessed upon certain cities and towns in the metropolitan district as provided by chapter seven hundred and ninety-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, to wit: —

Commissioner, salary.

For the salary of the commissioner, the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars.

Deputy commissioner.

For the salary of the deputy commissioner, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Secretary.

For the salary of the secretary, twenty-five hundred dollars.

For stenographers, clerks and other assistants, a sum not exceeding fifty-five hundred dollars. Stenographers, etc.

For rent, travelling and other necessary expenses, a sum not exceeding seventy-five hundred dollars. Rent, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TAX COMMISSIONER AND COMMISSIONER OF CORPORATIONS. Chap. 53

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the tax commissioner and commissioner of corporations, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: — Appropriations, tax commissioner and commissioner of corporations.

For the salary of the tax commissioner and commissioner of corporations, five thousand dollars. Commissioner, salary.

For salaries of employees holding positions established by statutes, a sum not exceeding twenty-eight thousand and eight hundred dollars. Employees.

For additional clerical and other assistance, a sum not exceeding fifty-three thousand and five hundred dollars. Clerical assistance.

For incidental and contingent expenses, including rent of rooms outside of the state house, a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars. Incidental, etc., expenses.

For travelling expenses of the commissioner and other officers and employees of the department, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars. Travelling expenses.

For valuation books for assessors of cities and towns, a sum not exceeding eleven hundred dollars. Valuation books.

For printing and binding the annual report of the table of aggregates, including lists of corporations for the use of assessors, a sum not exceeding twenty-one hundred dollars. Annual report.

For expenses incurred in administering the act to impose a tax upon the income received from certain forms of intangible property and from trades and professions, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Income tax.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 7, 1917.

Chap. 54 AN ACT TO RATIFY A VOTE OF THE TOWN OF DANVERS
RELATIVE TO THE REMODELLING OF A TOWN BUILDING FOR
SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Certain vote
of town of
Danvers
ratified.

SECTION 1. The vote passed by the town of Danvers at the special town meeting held on the twenty-seventh day of November, in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, appropriating the sum of eighty-two hundred dollars for the purpose of remodelling and equipping for school purposes a town building, and any action taken by said town in pursuance thereof, are hereby ratified and confirmed, and the said town is hereby authorized to borrow for said purpose on notes of the town the sum of eighty-two hundred dollars, of which the sum of twelve hundred dollars shall be payable on the first day of October in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, and one thousand dollars on the first day of October in each year thereafter, until said notes are fully paid, all in accordance with said vote.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 7, 1917.

[First Congregational Church and Society, in Troy, 1820, 50; — name changed to First Congregational Society in Fall River, 1845, 146.]

Chap. 55 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETY
IN FALL RIVER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

First Congre-
gational Society
in Fall River
may receive
income from
certain
property.

SECTION 1. The First Congregational Society in Fall River is hereby authorized to receive and enjoy the income of any gifts, grants, bequests or devises made to it, or for its use, to a total amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars a year including any income to be received by it under the will of the late Sarah S. Brayton of Fall River.

May use certain
property.

SECTION 2. The said society is also authorized to receive and enjoy the property devised or bequeathed to it, in trust or otherwise, by the will of the late Sarah S. Brayton, and to have the benefit of the provisions made for it, directly or indirectly in the said will, and the said society may make such designation for charitable and religious uses as it is empowered by the said will to make.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 8, 1917.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GREEN LAWN CEMETERY *Chap. 56*
ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Henry S. Ashley, J. Marshall Burt, Arthur G. Crane, Harlan F. Curtis, Winslow S. Champlin, Franklin C. Davis, Laurence C. Davis, Harry E. Durkee, Edward S. Ellis, Louis W. Price, Merle E. Sellev, Edward Kronvall and Edward M. Burt, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Green Lawn Cemetery Association, for the purpose of acquiring, holding, maintaining, improving and enlarging, for a place of burial for the dead, those parcels of land situated in East Longmeadow, in the county of Hampden, now owned by the First Congregational Society in East Longmeadow and known as the Center Cemetery in East Longmeadow. Said corporation shall have all the powers and privileges, and shall be subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in all general laws now or hereafter in force relating to such corporations.

Green Lawn Cemetery Association, incorporated.

SECTION 2. The said corporation shall have the right to make by-laws prescribing the qualification for membership therein and the manner of election to membership, and the methods of conducting the business of the corporation, and also providing for all other matters ordinarily regulated by corporation by-laws.

By-laws, scope, etc.

SECTION 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to acquire possession and control of said cemetery, and may purchase from time to time and may acquire by gift, bequest, devise or otherwise, and hold, so much real and personal property as may be necessary or appropriate for the purposes of the corporation. The said First Congregational Society in East Longmeadow is hereby authorized to convey to said corporation all its right, title and interest in the lands forming a part of said Center cemetery and in all other property or rights appertaining thereto, which said society has or is entitled to have, including all moneys and funds belonging to the said society held by it for cemetery purposes: *provided*, that a majority of the legal voters of said society present and voting thereon shall vote so to do at an annual meeting or at any meeting duly called for that purpose.

May purchase certain property.

Proviso.

SECTION 4. The net proceeds of the sale of lots in the lands of the corporation and all income received from any

Use of proceeds of sale of lots, etc.

other source by the corporation, the use of which is not determined by a trust, shall be applied exclusively to the care, maintenance, improvement or embellishment of its cemetery and structures therein, or to the purchase of additional land for cemetery purposes, and to the payment of current and incidental expenses of the cemetery, and to no other purpose.

May receive gifts of property, etc.

SECTION 5. Said corporation is authorized to take and hold any grant, gift or bequest of property in trust or otherwise, for the care, protection, embellishment, improvement or extension of its cemetery, or for the care, embellishment, protection or improvement of any lot therein, or for the care, repair, preservation or removal of any monument, tomb, fence or other structure therein, or for planting a lot or its vicinity with trees or shrubs; and when such gift or bequest is made, the said corporation may give to the person making the same or to his representative an obligation binding the corporation to fulfil the terms of the trust.

Officers, how chosen, etc.

SECTION 6. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a board of directors, the number and terms of office of which shall be fixed by the by-laws, a treasurer, and a clerk, all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting of the corporation, a president to be elected annually by the directors from their number, and such other officers as may be provided for by the by-laws. The directors shall have the general management of the property, expenditures and affairs of the corporation and the sale of lots in said cemetery, and shall make a report of their doings to the corporation at its annual meeting. If a vacancy occurs in the board of directors or in the office of treasurer or clerk, it may be filled for the unexpired term at any meeting of the corporation. Until the vacancy has so been filled, the directors may designate some person to perform the duties of the office in which the vacancy has occurred.

Vacancies, how filled, etc.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 8, 1917.

Chap. 57 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, department of sergeant-at-arms.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and

expenses in the department of the sergeant-at-arms, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

For the salary of the sergeant-at-arms, thirty-five hundred dollars. Sergeant-at-arms, salary.

For the salary of the first clerk, twenty-two hundred dollars. First clerk.

For the salaries of additional clerks, the sum of twenty-nine hundred dollars. Additional clerks.

For the salary of Ellen Mudge Burrill, fourteen hundred dollars. Ellen Mudge Burrill.

For the salaries of the chief engineer and other employees in the engineer's department, a sum not exceeding forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars. Chief engineer, etc.

For the salaries of the watchmen and assistant watchmen, a sum not exceeding twenty-one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars. Watchmen, etc.

For the salaries of the messengers, porters and office boy, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand eight hundred dollars. Messengers, etc.

For the salary of the matron, a sum not exceeding eight hundred and fifty dollars. Matron.

For the salary of the carpenter, the sum of sixteen hundred dollars. Carpenter.

For incidental and contingent expenses and for mailing legislative bulletins, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars. Incidental, etc., expenses.

For books, stationery, postage, printing and advertising ordered by the sergeant-at-arms, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars. Books, stationery, etc.

For rent of telephones and expenses in connection therewith, a sum not exceeding twenty-three thousand dollars. Rent of telephones, etc.

For heat, light and power, including coal, water, gas and removal of ashes, a sum not exceeding forty-eight thousand dollars. Heat, light and power.

For the care of the state house and grounds, including repairs, furniture and repairs thereof, and such expenses as may be necessary at the various buildings now occupied by state departments, a sum not exceeding forty-three thousand seven hundred dollars. Care of state house and grounds, etc.

For new furniture and fixtures, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars. New furniture and fixtures.

For expenses in connection with the removal of departments into the new wings of the state house, a sum not exceeding five thousand and nineteen dollars, being the un- Removal of departments.

expended balance of the amount authorized by chapter eighty-two of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, which has reverted to the treasury.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 8, 1917.

[1819, 105; 1832, 123.]

Chap. 58 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SAINT THOMAS, IN TAUNTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Title of
Episcopal
church of
Saint Thomas,
in Taunton,
to certain land,
confirmed.

SECTION 1. The title of the Episcopal church of Saint Thomas, in Taunton, to the vacant land, known as the glebe land, which was formerly the site of an episcopal church, and a part of which is a graveyard, on the east side of Tremont street in the city of Taunton, containing six thousand square feet, more or less, is hereby confirmed, and the title to the said property is hereby vested in the said corporation, which was incorporated by chapter two hundred and thirty of the laws passed at the session of the general court which commenced on Wednesday, the twelfth day of January in the year eighteen hundred and twenty, reprinted as chapter one hundred and five of volume five of the private and special statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and twenty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 8, 1917.

Chap. 59 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE BANK COMMISSIONER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
department of bank
commissioner.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the bank commissioner, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Commissioner,
salary.
Deputy
commissioner.

For the salary of the commissioner, five thousand dollars.

For the salary of the deputy commissioner, thirty-five hundred dollars.

For the salaries of examiners, clerks, experts and other assistants, a sum not exceeding seventy-eight thousand dollars.

Examiners,
clerks, etc.

For printing, stationery, office supplies, travelling and other expenses, a sum not exceeding thirty-eight thousand five hundred dollars.

Printing,
stationery, etc.

For printing and binding the annual reports, a sum not exceeding seventy-five hundred dollars.

Annual
reports.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 8, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Chap. 60

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the commissioner of weights and measures, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations, commissioner of weights and measures.

For the salary of the commissioner, two thousand dollars.

Commissioner,
salary.

For the salaries of inspectors, nine thousand dollars.

Inspectors.

For clerical services, travel and contingent office expenses, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Clerical
services.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 8, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITIES OF BOSTON AND CAMBRIDGE TO PENSION WILLIAM H. BLANCHARD, AN ASSISTANT DRAWTENDER EMPLOYED BY SAID CITIES.

Chap. 61

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The cities of Boston and Cambridge, acting jointly in each case by the city council with the approval of the mayor, are hereby authorized to pay to William H. Blanchard, a veteran of the civil war, employed for the past twenty-seven years as assistant drawtender at the River street bridge by said cities, an annual pension equal to one half the rate of compensation paid him at the date of the passage of this act, payable quarterly, each city to pay one half thereof.

Cities of
Boston and
Cambridge
may pension
William H.
Blanchard.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 8, 1917.

[1885, 296; 1893, 123; 1916, 241, Spec.]

Chap. 62 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE SOCIETY OF MARLBOROUGH TO HOLD ADDITIONAL REAL ESTATE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1916, 241 (S),
§ 1, amended.

St. Jean
Baptiste
Society of
Marlborough
may hold
additional
real estate.

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and forty-one of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by striking out the word "thirty", in the third line, and inserting in place thereof the word:—forty,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 1.* The St. Jean Baptiste Society of Marlborough, a fraternal benefit society, is hereby authorized to hold real estate to an amount not exceeding forty thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 8, 1917.

Chap. 63 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
Massachusetts
highway
commission.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, unless otherwise specified herein, for the salaries and expenses of the Massachusetts highway commission, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Commissioners,
salaries.

For the salaries of the commissioners, the sum of thirteen thousand dollars.

Engineers,
clerks, etc.

For the salaries of the engineers, clerks and assistants, a sum not exceeding thirty-one thousand eight hundred dollars.

Travelling,
etc., expenses.

For travelling and other expenses of the commission, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars.

Postage,
printing, etc.

For postage, printing and other necessary office expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding ninety-four hundred dollars.

Care, etc., of
machinery
and tools.

For care and repair of machinery and tools, including storage, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

Suppression of
gypsy and
brown tail
moths.

For the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths and other insect pests which threaten the trees on state highways, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

For the repair of a certain highway in the town of Truro, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Highway
in Truro.

For the maintenance of state highways for the present year and previous years, the sum of one hundred ninety-four thousand five hundred forty-seven dollars and eighty-six cents from the assessments on the several cities and towns for the maintenance of state highways, as authorized by chapter five hundred and fourteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen; and the further sum of sixty thousand dollars, both to be in addition to the amount authorized to be expended out of the Motor Vehicle Fees Fund by section thirty of chapter five hundred and thirty-four of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine.

Maintenance
of state
highways.

For the maintenance and operation of the Newburyport bridge and the Brightman street bridge in Fall River, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.

Maintenance
of certain
bridges.

For widening and reconstructing existing state highways, a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Widening
highways, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 8, 1917.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TRUSTEES OF NEWBURYPORT
TRUST FUNDS. Chap. 64

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Lawrence B. Cushing, Henry B. Little, and the mayor, the city auditor, and the president of the common council of the city of Newburyport, for the time being, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Trustees of Newburyport Trust Funds, for the purpose of holding and administering the funds given in trust by the will of Margaret Atwood, late of Newburyport, proved and allowed in the probate court for the county of Essex on the seventh day of August in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and any other funds which the city of Newburyport may commit to its custody and care, with all the privileges and subject to all the duties, liabilities and restrictions set forth in all general laws now or hereafter in force relating to such corporations.

Trustees of
Newburyport
Trust Funds,
incorporated.

SECTION 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to receive, hold and manage for the purposes therein set forth, all the estate bequeathed in trust by said will, and may receive, hold and manage any other estate, real or personal, which may be acquired by said corporation or may be

Powers, etc.

committed to it for the purposes of any other trusts which the city of Newburyport may commit to its care and custody.

Accounts of all funds to be kept.

SECTION 3. Said corporation shall keep accurate accounts of all the receipts and expenditures of each fund of which it shall be trustee in the same manner as if each of said funds was held by a separate trustee, and shall render accounts of all its receipts and disbursements annually, and whenever required by the city council of the city.

Vacancy in trustees, how filled.

SECTION 4. Whenever a trustee shall die or resign or become incompetent to discharge the duties of his trust, a successor shall be elected by ballot by the city council of the city of Newburyport.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 8, 1917.

Chap. 65 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, secretary of the commonwealth.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the department of the secretary of the commonwealth, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Secretary, salary.

For the salary of the secretary of the commonwealth, six thousand dollars.

Herbert H. Boynton, deputy.

For the salary of Herbert H. Boynton, deputy, four thousand dollars.

Second deputy.

For the salary of the second deputy, three thousand dollars.

Chief of archives division.

For the salary of the chief of the archives division, two thousand dollars.

Commission clerk.

For the salary of the commission clerk, fifteen hundred dollars.

Messengers and additional clerks.

For messengers and additional clerical assistance, a sum not exceeding forty-five thousand eight hundred dollars.

Incidental, etc., expenses.

For incidental and contingent expenses, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

Postage, expressage, etc.

For postage and expressage on documents, and for printing and mailing copies of bills and resolves to certain state, city and town officials, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

For the arrangement and preservation of state records and papers, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.	Preservation of state records.
For registration books and blanks, indexing returns and editing registration report, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.	Registration books, etc.
For the purchase of histories of regiments, batteries and other military organizations of the Massachusetts volunteers who served in the civil war, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.	Purchase of regimental histories.
For the preservation of town records of births, marriages and deaths previous to the year eighteen hundred and fifty, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.	Preservation of certain town records.

PRINTING LAWS, ETC.

For printing the pamphlet edition of the acts and resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.	Pamphlet edition of acts and resolves.
For printing a cumulative index of the acts and resolves, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.	Cumulative index.
For printing and binding the blue book edition of the acts and resolves of the present year, twelve thousand dollars.	Blue book.
For the newspaper publication of the general laws and of information intended for the public, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.	Publication of laws, etc.
For reports of decisions of the supreme judicial court, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.	Reports of decisions.
For the purchase of paper used in the execution of the contract for the state printing, a sum not exceeding ninety thousand dollars.	Purchase of paper.
For printing and binding public documents, a sum not exceeding twenty-two thousand dollars.	Public documents.

FOR PRINTING MATTERS RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

For expenses in connection with primary elections, a sum not exceeding thirty-six thousand dollars.	Primary elections.
For printing and distributing ballots, a sum not exceeding seventy-five hundred dollars.	Ballots.
For blanks for town officers, election laws, and blanks and instructions on all matters relating to elections, and for the expense of advertising the state ticket, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.	Blanks for town officers, etc.

Counting apparatus.

For the purchase of apparatus to be used at polling places in the canvass and count of votes, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

Ballot boxes, etc.

For furnishing cities and towns with ballot boxes and for repairs to the same, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 8, 1917.

Chap. 66 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY SOLDIERS' RELIEF TO TERRENCE P. McLAUGHLIN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston may pay soldiers' relief to Terrence P. McLaughlin.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay to Terrence P. McLaughlin, the crippled son of Terrence McLaughlin, a veteran of the civil war, whatever soldiers' relief the said Terrence McLaughlin was entitled to receive at the time of his decease.

To be submitted to city council.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of Boston, with the approval of the mayor.

Approved February 8, 1917.

[Accepted March 27, 1917.]

Chap. 67 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO JOHN E. McCARTHY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston may pay a sum of money to John E. McCarthy.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay a sum not exceeding two hundred seventy-seven dollars and seventy-seven cents to John E. McCarthy, a former employee of the children's institutions department, for services rendered by him to said department during the months of April, May, June and July, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

Approved February 8, 1917.

[Accepted March 27, 1917.]

Chap. 68 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PARK COMMISSIONERS OF WINTHROP TO LEASE A PART OF THE PLAYSTEAD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Park commissioners may lease a part of the playstead.

SECTION 1. The board of park commissioners of the town of Winthrop is hereby authorized to lease in the name

and on behalf of the town that part of the playground in said town, known as the "Playstead", to such person or persons, for such period of time, upon such conditions and subject to such restrictions as the town shall by vote determine. The proceeds of any such lease shall be paid into the town treasury to be applied to the existing indebtedness incurred in the purchase of said playground, if any, otherwise to the cost of the playground.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters of the town of Winthrop present and voting thereon at any town meeting called for the purpose.

Approved February 8, 1917.

Act to be submitted to voters, etc.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO THE DAUGHTER OF JOHN A. COULTHURST.

Chap. 69

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay to Jean Gasson Coulthurst, daughter of the late John A. Coulthurst, who was a member of the city council of Boston, the sum which he would have received if he had lived and served as such member until the close of the municipal year ending on the first day of February, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

City of Boston may pay a sum of money to Jean Gasson Coulthurst.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur on or before the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Act to be submitted to city council, etc.

Proviso.

Approved February 8, 1917.

[Accepted Feb. 17, 1917.]

[1846, 148; 1894, 262; 1910, 99.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY TO MAKE CONTRACTS TO PAY ANNUITIES.

Chap. 70

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, a corporation established by law in this commonwealth, may, in consideration of the receipt of funds to be devoted to the purposes for which it is incorporated, bind itself to pay fixed yearly sums in one or more payments

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society may make contracts to pay annuities.

each year to such person or persons as may be agreed upon, for a term of years or for the life of such person or persons.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

(The foregoing was laid before the governor on the second day of February, 1917, and after five days it had "the force of a law", as prescribed by the constitution, as it was not returned by him with his objections thereto within that time.)

[1883, 43; 1914, 229, 294.]

Chap. 71 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY TO MAKE CONTRACTS TO PAY ANNUITIES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Woman's
American
Baptist Foreign
Mission Society
may make
contracts to
pay annuities.

SECTION 1. The Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, a corporation established by law in this commonwealth, may, in consideration of the receipt of funds to be devoted to the purposes for which it is incorporated, bind itself to pay fixed yearly sums in one or more payments each year to such person or persons as may be agreed upon, for a term of years or for the life of such person or persons.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

(The foregoing was laid before the governor on the second day of February, 1917, and after five days it had "the force of a law", as prescribed by the constitution, as it was not returned by him with his objections thereto within that time.)

Chap. 72 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF MARBLEHEAD TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO JOHN J. GLASS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of
Marblehead
may pay a
sum of money
to John J.
Glass.

SECTION 1. The town of Marblehead is hereby authorized to pay a sum of money, not exceeding three thousand dollars, to John J. Glass of Marblehead, to compensate him for injuries sustained while in the service of said town as a call fireman.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 15, 1917.

[1867, 113.]

Chap. 73 AN ACT TO ANNUL THE CHARTER OF THE INDIA MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Charter of The
India Mutual
Insurance Com-
pany annulled.

SECTION 1. The India Mutual Insurance Company, incorporated by chapter one hundred and thirteen of the acts

of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, is hereby dissolved, subject, however, to the provisions of sections fifty-three, fifty-four and fifty-five of chapter one hundred and nine of the Revised Laws.

SECTION 2. This act shall not be construed as affecting any suit now pending by or against said corporation, nor any suit now pending or hereafter brought for any liability now existing against the subscribers to the guaranty fund or the officers of said corporation, or to make valid any defect in the organization of the corporation.

Not to apply to suits pending, etc.

SECTION 3. Suits upon choses in actions arising out of contracts sold or assigned by the corporation dissolved by this act may be brought or prosecuted in the name of the purchaser or assignee. The fact of sale or assignment and of purchase by the plaintiff shall be set forth in the writ or other process; and the defendant may avail himself of any matter of defence of which he might have availed himself in a suit upon the claim by the said corporation, had it not been dissolved by this act.

Suits upon choses in action, how brought.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE
OF THE STATE PRISON.

Chap. 74

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding one hundred ninety-one thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the state prison, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Appropriation, maintenance of state prison.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND FOR SUNDRY OTHER AGRICULTURAL EXPENSES.

Chap. 75

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the state board of agriculture,

Appropriations, state board of agriculture, etc.

for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

- Secretary, salary. For the salary of the secretary, three thousand dollars.
- First clerk. For the salary of the first clerk, eighteen hundred dollars.
- Clerical assistance. For additional clerical assistance, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.
- Travelling expenses, secretary. For travelling and other necessary expenses of the secretary, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.
- Travelling expenses, members. For travelling and other necessary expenses of the members, a sum not exceeding seventeen hundred dollars.
- Incidental, etc., expenses. For incidental and contingent expenses, including printing and furnishing extracts from trespass laws, a sum not exceeding thirty-two hundred dollars.
- Annual report. For printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.
- State nursery inspectors. For compensation and expenses of the state nursery inspectors, including expenses in connection with the importation of nursery stock from other states or countries, a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand dollars.
- Inspector of apiaries. For compensation and expenses of the inspector of apiaries, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.
- State ornithologist. For compensation and expenses of the state ornithologist, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.
- Lectures at farmers' institutes. For disseminating useful information in agriculture by means of lectures at farmers' institutes, a sum not exceeding eighty-five hundred dollars.
- General agent, dairy bureau. For the salary of a general agent of the dairy bureau, eighteen hundred dollars.
- Dairy bureau, expenses, annual report, etc. For assistants, experts, chemists, agents and other necessary expenses of the dairy bureau, including printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.
- Encouragement of dairying. For the encouragement of practical dairying and the rearing of live stock, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars: *provided*, that any unexpended balance of this amount remaining at the end of the present fiscal year may be used during the succeeding fiscal year.
- Proviso. For the encouragement of orcharding, the sum of five hundred dollars.
- Encouragement of orcharding. For bounties to agricultural societies, a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars.
- Bounties to agricultural societies. For bounties to encourage and improve the breeding of poultry, the sum of two thousand dollars.
- Encouragement of poultry breeding. For the encouragement of agriculture among children and youths, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.
- Agriculture among children, etc.

For the encouragement of agriculture by the holding of special exhibitions, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Special exhibitions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

[1887, 169; 1891, 184; 1915, 232, Spec.; 1916, 279, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE NORTH EASTON VILLAGE DISTRICT TO INCUR ADDITIONAL, AND TO REFUND EXISTING, INDEBTEDNESS FOR WATER SUPPLY PURPOSES.

Chap. 76

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The North Easton Village District, for the purpose of refunding bonds issued by it under authority of chapter one hundred and sixty-nine of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven and chapter one hundred and eighty-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and for the purpose of improving, enlarging and extending its water works, may borrow from time to time such sums of money as it may deem necessary, to an amount not exceeding eighty thousand dollars, and issue therefor bonds or notes, each authorized issue to constitute a separate loan. Such bonds or notes shall be denominated on the face thereof, North Easton Village District Water Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable by such annual payments beginning not more than one year after the respective dates thereof as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date, and the amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, shall be signed by the treasurer of the district, and countersigned by the water commissioners, or a majority of them.

North Easton Village District may borrow money for water supply purposes.

The district may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

Sale of securities.

Said bonds or notes shall be exempt from taxation and shall be marked on their face "Tax Exempt."

Bonds to be "Tax Exempt."

SECTION 2. The said district shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one of this act, and when a vote to that effect has been passed, the water commissioners of said district shall annually certify to the assessors of the

Payment of loan.

Same subject. town of Easton a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating the water works of said district and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, and without further vote the sum so certified shall annually be assessed by the assessors of the town of Easton as other taxes of said district are assessed until the debt incurred by the loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 77 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS REFORMATORY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation, Massachusetts reformatory.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding two hundred fifty-eight thousand six hundred and seventy-five dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the Massachusetts reformatory, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 78 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN PHARMACY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, board of registration in pharmacy.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the board of registration in pharmacy, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Members, salaries.

For the salaries of the members, thirty-eight hundred dollars.

Travelling, etc., expenses.

For travelling and other expenses of the members, a sum not exceeding seventeen hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Agent.

For salary and expenses of the agent, a sum not exceeding twenty-four hundred dollars.

For a stenographer, witness fees and incidental and contingent expenses, including printing the annual report and expenses in connection with registering and licensing shops for the transaction of a retail drug business, a sum not exceeding thirty-two hundred and fifty dollars.

Stenographer,
witness fees,
etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSION ON MENTAL DISEASES. *Chap. 79*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the commission on mental diseases, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Appropriations, commission on mental diseases.

For the salary of the director, a sum not exceeding seventy-five hundred dollars.

Director,
salary.

For the salaries of officers and employees, a sum not exceeding forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.

Officers and employees.

For travelling, office and contingent expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding thirteen thousand dollars.

Travelling,
etc., expenses.

For transportation and medical examination of state paupers under the charge of the commission, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding eighty-five hundred dollars.

Transportation
etc., of state
paupers.

For the support of insane paupers boarded in families, under the charge of the commission, or temporarily absent under authority of the same, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding ten thousand five hundred dollars.

Support of
insane paupers,
etc.

For the support of state paupers in the Hospital Cottages for Children, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Support of
certain state
paupers.

For the expense of an investigation as to the nature, causes, results and treatment of mental diseases and defects, and the publication of the results thereof, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Investigation
of mental dis-
eases.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 80 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF COHASSET TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO PHILANDER BATES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Cohasset may pay an annuity to Philander Bates.

SECTION 1. The town of Cohasset is hereby authorized to pay an annuity of not more than three hundred dollars to Philander Bates, so long as he lives, the said Philander Bates having devoted more than forty years of his life to the service of the town in various official capacities.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 81 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, state normal schools.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the state normal schools, with the approval of the board of education, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Bridgewater.

For Bridgewater, a sum not exceeding eighty-two thousand two hundred and thirty-one dollars.

Fitchburg.

For Fitchburg, a sum not exceeding sixty-two thousand two hundred twenty dollars and forty cents, in addition to certain sums received from the city of Fitchburg.

Framingham.

For Framingham, a sum not exceeding sixty-five thousand eight hundred and forty-five dollars.

Hyannis.

For Hyannis, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand four hundred and seventeen dollars.

Lowell.

For Lowell, a sum not exceeding thirty-nine thousand six hundred forty-four dollars and five cents, in addition to certain sums received from the city of Lowell.

North Adams.

For North Adams, a sum not exceeding forty-three thousand seven hundred and seventy-two dollars.

Salem.

For Salem, a sum not exceeding fifty-seven thousand four hundred forty-eight dollars and five cents, in addition to certain sums received from the city of Salem.

Westfield.

For Westfield, a sum not exceeding thirty-nine thousand four hundred and fifteen dollars.

For Worcester, a sum not exceeding forty thousand eight hundred and forty-eight dollars. Worcester.

For the normal art school, a sum not exceeding fifty-three thousand four hundred thirty-six dollars and two cents. Normal art school.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE MASSACHUSETTS BUREAU OF PRISONS. Chap. 82

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses of the Massachusetts bureau of prisons, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: — Appropriations, Massachusetts bureau of prisons.

For the salary of the director, six thousand dollars. Director, salary.

For the salaries of the deputies, seven thousand dollars. Deputies.

For the salaries and compensation of the board of parole and advisory board of pardons, a sum not exceeding fifty-eight hundred dollars. Board of parole, etc.

For clerical assistance, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars. Clerical assistance.

For the salaries of agents, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand seven hundred dollars. Agents.

For travelling expenses, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars. Travelling expenses.

For expenses in connection with the identification of criminals, a sum not exceeding thirty-six hundred and thirty-two dollars. Identification of criminals.

For incidental and contingent expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars. Incidental expenses.

For expenses incurred in removing prisoners to and from state and county prisons, a sum not exceeding twenty-two hundred dollars. Removing prisoners.

For assistance to prisoners discharged from the state prison, Massachusetts reformatory, prison camp and hospital, and to discharged female prisoners, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars. Assistance to prisoners.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 83 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITY AND FOR SUNDRY OTHER CHARITABLE EXPENSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, state board of charity, etc.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the state board of charity and for sundry other charitable expenses, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Expenses, salaries, etc.

For expenses, including travel of members and salaries and expenses in the central office, a sum not exceeding twenty-three thousand seven hundred dollars.

Annual report.

For printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

Travelling, etc., expenses.

For travelling and other necessary expenses of the auxiliary visitors of the board, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Division of state adult poor.

For salaries and expenses in the division of state adult poor, a sum not exceeding eighty-five thousand nine hundred dollars.

Transportation of state paupers, etc.

For transportation of state paupers under the charge of said board, including the transportation of prisoners released on probation from the state farm, and travelling and other expenses of probation visitors, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Mothers with dependent children.

For the payment of suitable aid to mothers with dependent children, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding four hundred thousand dollars.

Burial of state paupers.

For the burial of state paupers by cities and towns, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

Dangerous diseases, expenses.

For expenses in connection with smallpox and other diseases dangerous to the public health, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding seventy thousand dollars.

Sick paupers, support.

For the support of sick paupers by cities and towns, for the present year and previous years, the same to include cases of wife settlement, a sum not exceeding ninety thousand dollars.

For temporary aid given to state paupers and shipwrecked seamen by cities and towns, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars.

Temporary aid, etc.

For salaries and expenses in the division of state minor wards, a sum not exceeding one hundred one thousand five hundred dollars.

State minor wards, salaries, etc.

For tuition in the public schools, including transportation to and from school of children boarded or bound out by the state board of charity, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding sixty-five thousand eight hundred thirty-three dollars and seventy-five cents.

Tuition of certain children.

For the care and maintenance of indigent and neglected children and juvenile offenders, for the present year and previous years, including expenses in connection with the same, a sum not exceeding six hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

Indigent and neglected children, etc.

For the support and transportation of unsettled pauper infants in infant asylums, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding sixty-five thousand dollars.

Unsettled pauper infants.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN EMBALMING. Chap. 84

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the board of registration in embalming, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen: *provided*, that expenditures authorized by this act are not in excess of the receipts for registration paid into the treasury of the commonwealth during the current year, to wit:—

Appropriations, board of registration in embalming.

Proviso.

For compensation of members, the sum of three hundred dollars.

Members, salaries.

For clerical assistance, office supplies, incidental and travelling expenses, including printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding twenty-six hundred twenty dollars and fifty-three cents.

Clerical assistance, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 85 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO THE WIDOW OF JOHN F. KENNEDY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston may pay sum of money to Anna Kennedy.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay to Anna Kennedy, widow of John F. Kennedy, a sum of money equal to the amount of salary to which the said John F. Kennedy would have been entitled as a schoolhouse commissioner of said city had he lived and served until the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor and the city council of the city of Boston: *provided*, such acceptance occurs prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

Proviso.

Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 86 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WEYMOUTH TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO THE DEPENDENTS OF THE LATE PATRICK BUTLER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Weymouth may pay a sum of money to dependents of the late Patrick Butler.

SECTION 1. The town of Weymouth is hereby authorized to pay to the dependents of the late Patrick Butler of said town, the sum of four thousand dollars, in compensation for injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duties as chief of police of said town, the said injuries having resulted in his death.

Act to be submitted to voters, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters of the said town voting thereon at an annual town meeting, or at a special meeting duly called for the purpose.

Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 87 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF NEWTON TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO THE WIDOW OF WILLIAM E. YOUNG.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Newton may pay a sum of money to the widow of William E. Young.

SECTION 1. The city of Newton is hereby authorized to pay to the widow, or, in case of the death of the widow, then to the minor children, of William E. Young a sum equal to the amount of salary to which he would have been entitled as a member of the Newton fire department had he lived

and continued to serve as a member of the said department until the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

Approved February 17, 1917.

[Accepted March 19, 1917.]

[1834, 126; 1843, 20; 1851, 116; 1853, 95; 1854, 285; 1884, 127; 1889, 202; 1891, 164; 1899, 194.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ALEWIFE FISHERY IN HERRING OR MONUMENT RIVER IN THE TOWN OF BOURNE. Chap. 88

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter one hundred and ninety-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine is hereby amended by inserting after the word "river", in the fourth line, the words: — or any of its tributaries, whether natural or artificial, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 1.* The selectmen of the town of Bourne are hereby empowered to prescribe the time, place or places, and manner of taking alewives in Herring or Monument river, or any of its tributaries, whether natural or artificial, in the town of Bourne: *provided*, that such time shall not exceed on the average throughout the fishing season four days in the week; and they may either appoint some suitable person or persons to take the same, under such regulations as they may make in accordance herewith, and fix the compensation to be paid therefor; or they may, if so instructed by the inhabitants of said town at the annual town meeting, sell at public auction the right to take alewives in said river under regulations made as aforesaid; *provided, however*, that no fish shall be salted in any fish-catching house or on the grounds adjoining the same, and *provided, also*, that the inhabitants of the town of Sandwich shall have the same rights in the public fishery of said river that the inhabitants of the town of Bourne shall have. The inhabitants of said town of Bourne are authorized to construct and maintain in the waters of the Great Herring pond, so-called, or elsewhere in said town, a weir, trap, yard or pound for the catching and holding of alewives, in the manner customary in such fishery, of such dimensions and construction as the selectmen, with the approval of the board of harbor and land commissioners, may from time to time determine.

1899, 194, § 1, amended.

Alewife fishing in Herring or Monument river regulated.

Provisos.

Selectmen may pay rewards for violations of act, etc.

Said selectmen are hereby authorized to offer and pay suitable rewards for the detection and punishment of persons violating the provisions of this act, and they shall be entitled to reimbursement from the town of Bourne, or from the proceeds of the sale of said right to take alewives, for all sums expended or obligations incurred for the said rewards, or for the enforcement of this act; and the town of Bourne is hereby authorized to raise and appropriate money for the purposes of this act and for the protection of any public fishery in said town.

1899, 194, § 4, amended.

SECTION 2. Section four of said chapter one hundred and ninety-four is hereby amended by inserting after the word "river", in the second line, the words:— or any of its tributaries whether natural or artificial, — and also by inserting after the word "aforesaid", in the sixth line, the words:— or at any time in the waters within the location of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 4.* Any person taking any alewives in said river, or any of its tributaries whether natural or artificial, or in any water of the same, whether naturally or artificially contained, or in the ponds in which said fish cast their spawn, at any time or in any place or manner other than shall have been fixed by said selectmen as aforesaid, or at any time in the waters within the location of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or shall receive such alewives knowing or having reasonable cause to believe that the same were taken contrary to the provisions of this act, shall for each offence pay a fine of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, or shall be imprisoned in the jail or house of correction for a period not exceeding sixty days, or shall be punished by both such fine and imprisonment. Possession of alewives in the woods, swamps or other lands, whether public or otherwise, in the town of Bourne bordering on the said Herring or Monument river or its tributaries, or in the buildings over or near said river or its tributaries in said town, or in any craft or vehicle in or near said river or its tributaries, or the pond in which said fish cast their spawn, in the town of Bourne, by any person or persons, other than those lawfully entitled to take the same under the regulations provided for in this act, shall be deemed prima facie evidence of a taking or receiving contrary to the provisions of this act.

Penalty.

What shall constitute evidence of violations of act.

Approved February 17, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF ATHOL TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO ANNIS J. SEARS. *Chap. 89*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The town of Athol is hereby authorized to pay a sum of money not exceeding twelve hundred dollars to Annis J. Sears for damage caused to her property on account of the raising of the grade of Cottage street in Athol.

Town of Athol may pay a sum of money to Annis J. Sears.

Approved February 17, 1917.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE STATUS OF DANIEL P. KEOGH AS A MEMBER OF THE BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT. *Chap. 90*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Daniel P. Keogh, a member of the fire department of the city of Boston, shall be entitled to all the rights, privileges and emoluments of the regular permanent members of said department.

Status of Daniel P. Keogh as member of Boston fire department fixed.

SECTION 2. So much of chapter ninety-two of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen as is inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its approval by the mayor of the city of Boston.

To be approved by mayor.

(The foregoing was laid before the governor on the twelfth day of February, 1917, and after five days it had "the force of a law", as prescribed by the constitution, as it was not returned by him with his objections thereto within that time.)

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE LAKEVILLE STATE SANATORIUM. *Chap. 91*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated for the maintenance of the Lakeville state sanatorium, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Appropriations, Lakeville state sanatorium.

From the receipts of said sanatorium now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of thirty-six thousand five hundred sixty-seven dollars and forty-five cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding ninety-seven thousand three hundred fifty-two dollars and fifty-five cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 19, 1917.

Chap. 92 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER SYSTEM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
maintenance
of the metro-
politan water
system.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding five hundred four thousand nine hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the assessments upon the cities and towns comprising the metropolitan water district, for the maintenance and operation of the metropolitan water system for said cities and towns during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 19, 1917.

Chap. 93 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE STATE INFIRMARY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
maintenance of
state infirmary.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding five hundred seventy-nine thousand seven hundred and sixty-four dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the state infirmary during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 19, 1917.

Chap. 94 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT BOARD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
industrial accident
board.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the industrial accident board, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Members,
salaries.

For the salaries of the members of the board, a sum not exceeding twenty-three thousand dollars.

Secretary.

For the salary of the secretary, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

For the salaries and expenses of inspectors, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars. Inspectors.

For the salary of the medical examiner, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars. Medical examiner.

For the services of clerks and other assistants, a sum not exceeding forty-six thousand dollars. Clerks, etc.

For office supplies and equipment, travelling and other necessary expenses, including the printing of the annual report, a sum not exceeding twenty-three thousand dollars. Office supplies, etc.

For rent of office, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars. Rent of office.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 19, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE STATE FARM. *Chap. 95*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding four hundred twenty thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the state farm during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen. Appropriation, maintenance of state farm.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 19, 1917.

[1916, 279, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UNIONVILLE FIRE AND WATER DISTRICT TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING ITS WATER MAINS. *Chap. 96*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Unionville Fire and Water District, in the town of Easton, for the purpose of paying necessary expenses in extending its water service, is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, in addition to the amount authorized by chapter two hundred and seventy-nine of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, and to issue from time to time bonds or notes therefor. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Unionville Fire and Water District Water Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable by such annual pay- Unionville Fire and Water District may borrow money to extend its water mains.
Unionville Fire and Water District Water Loan, Act of 1917.

Same subject.

ments, beginning not more than one year after their respective dates, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date, and the amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. The said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually; shall be signed by the treasurer of the district and countersigned by the water commissioners, or a majority thereof. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. Said district may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 2. Said district shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one of this act, and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating the water works and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be certified to the assessors of the town of Easton, who shall proceed to assess the same in the manner in which town taxes are assessed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 19, 1917.

Chap. 97 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, civil service commission.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses of the civil service commission, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Commissioners, salaries.

For the salaries of the commissioners, sixty-five hundred dollars.

Employees.

For salaries of employees holding positions established by statutes, fifteen thousand two hundred dollars.

Clerical assistance.

For clerical and other assistance, a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars.

For travelling, incidental and contingent expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars.

Travelling,
etc., expenses.

For the investigation in whole or in part of the classified civil service as provided in chapter two hundred and ninety-seven of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

Investigation
of classified
civil service.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 19, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSION ON WATERWAYS AND PUBLIC LANDS.

Chap. 98

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, unless otherwise specified, for the salaries and expenses of the commission on waterways and public lands, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Appropriations,
commission on waterways
and public lands.

For the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of rivers, harbors, tidewaters and foreshores within the commonwealth, as provided by chapter three hundred and eighteen of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Improvement,
etc., of rivers,
etc.

For making changes in the atlas sheets comprising the topographical map of Massachusetts, and for the sale of the same, the sum of seventy-one hundred and ninety-two dollars, being the unexpended balance of the amount authorized by chapter sixty-nine of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, which has reverted to the treasury under the general laws.

Changes in the
atlas sheets.

The appropriations for the following purposes are to be paid out of the Port of Boston Fund, to wit:—

For the salaries of the commissioners, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

Commissioners, salaries.

For travelling and other necessary expenses, a sum not exceeding twelve hundred dollars.

Travelling,
etc., expenses.

For the compensation and expenses of engineers, and for clerical and other assistance, a sum not exceeding fifty-nine thousand dollars.

Engineers, etc.

Office ex-
penses, etc.

For incidental and contingent office expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

Supervision of
Common-
wealth pier
five, etc.

For the supervision and operation of Commonwealth pier five, including the salaries or other compensation of employees, the repair and replacement of equipment and other property, and all other expenditures necessary for the efficient control of said pier, a sum not exceeding forty-six thousand dollars.

Publicity
bureau.

For the maintenance of a publicity bureau for the purpose of properly advertising the port of Boston, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.

Removal of
wrecks, etc.

For the removal of wrecks and other obstructions from tidewaters, a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Damages along
coast line.

For repairing damages along the coast line or river banks of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding ninety-five hundred dollars.

Marking tri-
angulation
points, etc.

For re-establishing and permanently marking certain triangulation points and sections as required by order of the land court, in accordance with section one of chapter two hundred and twenty-three of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 19, 1917.

Chap. 99 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE
AND OPERATION OF THE NORTH METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE
SYSTEM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
maintenance
of north
metropolitan
sewerage
system.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding one hundred and ninety-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the assessments upon the cities and towns included in what is known as the north metropolitan sewerage system, for the maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for said cities and towns during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 19, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE SOUTH METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE SYSTEM. *Chap. 100*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the assessments upon the cities and towns included in what is known as the south metropolitan sewerage system, for the maintenance and operation of a system of sewage disposal for said cities and towns during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen. Appropriation, maintenance of south metropolitan sewerage system.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 19, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SUNDRY MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES AUTHORIZED BY LAW. *Chap. 101*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, unless it is otherwise specified, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: — Appropriations, sundry miscellaneous expenses.

For expenses incurred in the construction and repair of roads in the town of Mashpee during the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, the sum of three hundred dollars. Repair of roads in Mashpee.

For reimbursing certain officials for premiums paid for procuring sureties on their bonds, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars. Premiums for sureties on bonds.

For medical examiners' fees, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars. Medical examiners' fees.

For the payment of damages caused by wild deer, for the present year and previous years, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars. Damages by wild deer.

For small items of expenditure for which no appropriations have been made, and for cases in which appropriations have been exhausted or have reverted to the treasury in previous years, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the auditor of the commonwealth. Small items.

Old provincial
state house.

For the commonwealth's contribution towards the maintenance of the old provincial state house, as provided by chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and ten, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars.

Art commis-
sion.

For the expenses of the art commission for the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Architects'
plans.

For the payment of architects for plans furnished in accordance with the requirements of chapter five hundred and twenty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, for which no appropriations have been made, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Recess com-
mittee on
building laws.

For the compensation and expenses of the special recess committee on building laws of nineteen hundred and sixteen, a sum not exceeding nineteen hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Recess com-
mission on
social insur-
ance.

For compensation and expenses of the special recess commission on social insurance of nineteen hundred and sixteen, a sum not exceeding forty-three hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Commission
on changes in
highway laws.

For compensation of the members of the commission appointed under the provisions of chapter ninety-five of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen to investigate and recommend changes in laws relative to highways, a sum not exceeding twenty-one hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 20, 1917.

Chap. 102 AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TRUSTEES OF THE KAPPA
PHI FRATERNITY OF CLARK COLLEGE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Trustees of the
Kappa Phi
Fraternity in
Clark College,
incorporated.

SECTION 1. Burton N. Gates, Hiram N. Rasely and Ralph S. Bartlett, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation under the name of the Trustees of the Kappa Phi Fraternity in Clark College, for the purpose of holding and managing the real and personal property of said fraternity, with the powers and privileges, and subject

to the duties, liabilities and restrictions, set forth in the general laws now or hereafter in force relating to such corporations.

SECTION 2. The said corporation may subject to the provisions of section one, receive, purchase, hold and convey real and personal property for the use of said fraternity: *provided*, that the value of the real estate so held at any time shall not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars; and said property shall not be exempt from taxation.

Real and personal property.

Proviso.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 20, 1917.

[1908, 369; 1915, 185, Spec.]

AN ACT VALIDATING THE LOCATIONS GRANTED BY THE TOWN OF READING FOR THE ELECTRIC LINES OF ITS ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT. *Chap.103*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. All lines for the transmission of electricity for light, heat or power, heretofore acquired or constructed by the electric light department of the town of Reading upon, along, over and under the public ways and places of said town, and the poles, piers, abutments, conduits and other fixtures necessary to sustain or protect the wires of said lines and now in actual use, are hereby made lawful notwithstanding the lack of any valid locations therefor or any informality in the proceedings relative to their location and erection.

Certain locations granted by the town of Reading validated.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 20, 1917.

[1912, 475.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE TOWN OF WATERTOWN MAY ACQUIRE CERTAIN LAND FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES. *Chap.104*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The time within which the town of Watertown is authorized to take, or otherwise to acquire, certain land under the provisions of chapter four hundred and seventy-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve is hereby extended for a further period of five years from the tenth day of April, nineteen hundred and seven-

Time extended within which town of Watertown may acquire certain land.

teen, and all the powers, privileges, authorities and requirements of said chapter are extended accordingly.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 20, 1917.

Chap.105 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRUSTEES OF THE LYNN PREPARATIVE MEETING OF THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS TO CONVEY A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Trustees of the Lynn Preparative Meeting of the Society of Friends may convey certain parcel of land.

SECTION 1. William E. Neal, John M. Mader and Daniel R. Jones, and their successors, being the trustees of the Lynn Preparative Meeting of the Society of Friends, a body corporate under the provisions of section eleven of chapter thirty-seven of the Revised Laws, are hereby authorized to sell and convey the following described parcel of vacant land held by them in the city of Lynn, formerly used as a burying ground, and bounded as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of land of the Central congregational church in the north line of Broad street, and thence running westerly on said line of Broad street, about one hundred and forty-five feet, to the face of a stone wall; thence running northerly by the face of said wall, about one hundred and ten feet, to the end of the wall; thence running easterly on a line parallel with said line of Broad street, about one hundred and forty-five feet, to land of the said church; and thence running southerly by said church land, about one hundred and ten feet, to the point of beginning.

Human remains, if found, to be re-interred, etc.

SECTION 2. In case any human remains are found to be buried in the said parcel, the trustees aforesaid or their successors shall cause the same to be removed and properly interred in some cemetery in said city, but failure so to do shall not affect the validity of any conveyance herein authorized.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[1895, 211; 1896, 301; 1907, 342.]

Chap.106 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD TO TAKE LAND FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Springfield may take land for school purposes.

SECTION 1. The city of Springfield may take in fee, by vote of its city council, any land within the limits of the

city not appropriated to public uses, for the enlargement from time to time of the lot of land taken and used for the public school called the technical high school, situated between Elliot and Spring streets, until the area of said lot shall measure five acres, notwithstanding the provision of section forty-seven of chapter twenty-five of the Revised Laws limiting the amount of land that may be taken for such purposes, but subject to all other provisions of law relative to such takings.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[1917, 302, Spec.]

AN ACT TO EXEMPT THE CITY OF NEWBURYPORT FROM BUILDING A TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL. Chap.107

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Newburyport is hereby exempted from the provisions of chapter two hundred and eighty-six of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, and shall not be required to pay any part of any county tax which has been, or may be, assessed in order to comply with the provisions of said chapter.

City of Newburyport exempt from building a tuberculosis hospital.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[1903, 105; 1914, 361.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF SHREWSBURY TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL WATER LOAN. Chap.108

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred and five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and three, as amended by section one of chapter three hundred and sixty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "seventy", in the fourth line, and inserting in place thereof the words: — one hundred, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 5.* Said town may, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of this act, issue from time to time, bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Shrewsbury Water Loan,

1903, 105, § 5, etc., amended.

Town of Shrewsbury may make an additional water loan.

shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date, and the amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of said loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. Said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but they shall not be sold for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Rate of
interest, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 21, 1917.

Chap. 109 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CORPORATION KNOWN AS THE
SCHOOL OF OUR HOLY REDEEMER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The corporation heretofore known as The School of Our Holy Redeemer established under an agreement of association filed in the registry of deeds for the county of Suffolk, on the twenty-fifth day of April, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, recorded in book 876, page 214, in accordance with the provisions of the general laws, is hereby revived and continued and shall hereafter consist of Hugh R. O'Donnell, William Ryan, Patrick H. Riley, their associates and successors, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities now or hereafter set forth in the laws relating to religious and educational corporations.

The School
of Our Holy
Redeemer,
corporation
revived.

SECTION 2. The said corporation is hereby empowered to convey to the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston, corporation sole, the real estate of the corporation in that part of the city of Boston called East Boston, and the said real estate shall be used for religious and educational purposes only.

Conveyance of
certain real
estate author-
ized.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[1906, 119, 528; 1907, 105; 1908, 282; 1910, 314.]

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE NORTH CHELMSFORD FIRE DISTRICT. Chap.110

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The boundaries of the North Chelmsford Fire District are hereby extended so as to include the territory hereinafter described and such taxable inhabitants of the town of Chelmsford as reside in said territory:— Beginning at a point at the southeasterly corner of the premises at the intersection of the southerly line of the location of the Nashua and Lowell railroad with the westerly line of land supposed to belong to one Clarence H. Sprague; thence northeasterly across the location of the Nashua and Lowell railroad seventeen hundred and five feet, more or less, to Merrimack river; thence by Merrimack river as it winds and turns to a point on land now or formerly of Artemus B. Woodworth; thence southerly along said Woodworth land about twelve hundred and forty-eight feet to a wall on land supposed to belong to one Gray; thence easterly three hundred seventy and eight tenths feet to a point; thence at a right angle southerly twenty-five feet to a stone bound on land of Abbie B. Butterfield; thence easterly along said Butterfield land seven hundred twenty-nine and six tenths feet to a stone bound at the northeasterly corner of said Butterfield land; thence southerly along said Butterfield land six hundred thirty-two and twenty-five one hundredths feet to a point in the southerly line of the location of the Nashua and Lowell railroad; thence easterly along said southerly line of the location of said railroad to the point of beginning.

North Chelmsford Fire District, boundaries extended.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[1911, 591; 1912, 558; 1913, 695.]

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE REDUCTION OF THE DEBT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON, AND FOR THE USE OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF CERTAIN LOANS. Chap.111

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The unexpended balance of the loan issued for the improvement of Pleasant street under authority of chapter five hundred and ninety-one of the acts of the year

Unexpended balances of certain loans of city of Boston may be applied

to any bonded
debt of the city.

nineteen hundred and eleven, and of the loan issued for the improvement of Avery, Mason and Washington streets under chapter five hundred and fifty-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, as amended by chapter six hundred and ninety-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, may, if so required by the auditor of the city of Boston, be applied to the reduction or cancellation of any bonded debt of the city, or to the annual requirements of any bonded debt of the city for which there is a sinking fund.

Certain
authority to
issue bonds
revoked.

SECTION 2. The authority to issue bonds under the provisions of chapter five hundred and fifty-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, as amended by chapter six hundred and ninety-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, in addition to those already issued, is hereby revoked.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 21, 1917.

Chap.112 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CITIZENS' GAS, ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY OF NANTUCKET.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Citizens' Gas,
Electric and
Power Com-
pany of Nan-
tucket, certain
acts legalized.

SECTION 1. The construction and use in the town of Nantucket, by the Citizens' Gas, Electric and Power Company of Nantucket, of conduits, pipes, poles, wires and other fixtures or apparatus for the transmission of electricity and gas for the purposes of light, heat or power are hereby made legal, notwithstanding the lack of any valid locations granted to the said company, and notwithstanding any other informality in the proceedings of the town or town officers relative to the granting of rights to the said company.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 21, 1917.

Chap.113 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF TAUNTON TO APPROPRIATE AN ANNUAL SUM FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL NURSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Taun-
ton may
appropriate
annual sum
for mainte-
nance of school
nurses.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of maintaining nurses to assist in caring for the health of the pupils of the public schools, the city of Taunton is hereby authorized to appropriate an annual sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred

dollars. The said sum shall be expended and the nurses shall be appointed by, and act under the direction of, the school committee of the city.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor.

Approved February 21, 1917.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

[Accepted May 2, 1917.]

[1832, 21; 1833, 59; 1888, 74.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOSTON LYING-IN HOSPITAL TO HOLD ADDITIONAL REAL AND PERSONAL ESTATE.

Chap. 114

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The Boston Lying-in Hospital, a charitable corporation duly incorporated, is hereby authorized to hold real and personal estate to the value of two million dollars, and, in continuation of and in addition to, the powers already granted it, shall have authority to build, equip and maintain one or more lying-in hospitals and to care for women suffering from diseases and conditions peculiar to women and during convalescence, and their infants, in said hospital or in private wards therein, or under the supervision of out-patient departments.

The Boston Lying-in Hospital may hold additional real and personal estate.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[1845, 212; 1847, 60, 152; 1848, 229; 1850, 24, 30; 1852, 177; 1853, 171; 1855, 74, 76, 488; 1857, 2; 1859, 287; 1863, 149, 153, 163; 1868, 52, 228; 1869, 360; 1870, 316; 1871, 180; 1874, 324; 1875, 140; 1876, 36, 92; 1879, 162; 1883, 34; 1884, 57; 1886, 309; 1888, 104; 1889, 167; 1890, 342; 1891, 251; 1893, 430; 1896, 246, 266; 1898, 237; 1901, 155; 1902, 460; 1912, 278, 341; 1914, 141, 271; 1915, 75, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ELECTIVE OFFICERS IN THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD.

Chap. 115

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The convention for the administration of the oath of office to the mayor, aldermen and common councilmen elect, as provided by the charter of the city of New Bedford, shall hereafter, beginning with the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, be held on the first day of January at ten o'clock in the forenoon, or at the same hour on the Monday following, when the first day of January falls on a Sunday, and the term of office of the officers elected at the municipal election in December, nineteen hundred and seventeen, shall not, if others have duly been chosen in their stead, continue beyond said first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen.

Date fixed for administering oaths of office to elective officers in New Bedford.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[1917, 184, Spec.]

Chap.116 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF TAUNTON TO REIMBURSE GEORGE B. HAYES FOR MONEY PAID FOR A VOID LIQUOR LICENSE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Taunton may reimburse George B. Hayes.

SECTION 1. The city of Taunton is hereby authorized to reimburse George B. Hayes to an amount not exceeding nine hundred dollars, the said sum having been paid by him to the city for a liquor license which was subsequently found to be void.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Taunton.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[Accepted March 7, 1917.]

Chap.117 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HOLYOKE TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO THE WIDOW OF TIMOTHY HARRINGTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Holyoke may pay an annuity to widow of Timothy Harrington.

SECTION 1. The city of Holyoke is hereby authorized to pay to the widow of Timothy Harrington, who was for thirty-eight years a member of the fire department of said city, and who died on the twenty-eighth day of December in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars a year for five years, provided she remains unmarried.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor.

Approved February 21, 1917.

[Accepted May 10, 1917.]

[1808, 61; 1821, 71; 1835, 23; 1870, 41; 1879, 18; 1886, 41; 1904, 92.]

Chap.118 AN ACT TO CONSOLIDATE THE MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF FREE BAPTIST CHURCHES AND THE MASSACHUSETTS BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Massachusetts Association of Free Baptist Churches and Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society consolidated.

SECTION 1. The Massachusetts Association of Free Baptist Churches and the Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society, corporations established under the laws of the commonwealth, are hereby consolidated in one corporation under the name of Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society, which shall, in all respects, be a continuation of,

and the lawful successor to, the above named corporations hereby consolidated, and all devises, bequests, conveyances and gifts heretofore or hereafter made to either of said corporations, however described, and all the powers and privileges thereof, shall vest in said consolidated society, and all trusts now or hereafter vested in either of said corporations shall be preserved inviolate and all provisions relating thereto shall have full force and effect in the said consolidated corporation.

SECTION 2. The present officers of the existing Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society shall be, until their successors are chosen, the officers of the consolidated corporation, which shall be governed by the by-laws of said existing society until the same are duly superseded.

Officers and
by-laws.

SECTION 3. The said consolidated corporation may receive gifts in consideration of annual payments to be made by it to the donor or donors or to other designated persons, and it is hereby authorized to contract for the payment of the same, without rendering the property so given liable to taxation, and may, except where appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of trustee, receive and hold property in trust without judicial appointment, but in no case shall said corporation be required to furnish any bond as trustee or to render any account other than that appearing in its printed reports.

May receive
gifts, etc.

SECTION 4. In addition to the functions heretofore exercised by said existing Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society, the objects of the consolidated corporation shall be to give expression to the sentiment of its constituency upon matters of denominational importance and of general, moral and religious interest, to develop denominational unity and to give increased efficiency to the missionary and benevolent operations of the denomination in this commonwealth.

Objects
defined.

Approved February 21, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF WELLINGTON BRIDGE BY THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION. Chap.119

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding eleven thousand five hundred seventy-eight dollars and sixty-two cents is hereby appropriated for the care and maintenance of Wellington bridge by the metropolitan park commission during the

Appropriation,
maintenance of
Wellington
bridge.

fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, of which amount one fourth shall be paid out of the ordinary revenue and three fourths from assessments upon the cities and towns in the metropolitan parks district in accordance with the provisions of chapter two hundred and ninety-five of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 23, 1917.

Chap.120 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE STATE LIBRARY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, state library.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the state library, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Librarian, salary.
Clerical services, etc.

For the salary of the librarian, four thousand dollars.

For clerical services, the accommodation of visitors and any other services required for the care, maintenance and working of the library, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand one hundred and ninety dollars.

Temporary clerical service.

For temporary clerical assistance, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Incidental expenses, etc.

For incidental expenses, including the printing and binding of the annual report, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.

Books, maps, etc.

For books, maps, papers, periodicals and other materials for the library, and for binding the same, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

Cataloguing.

For cataloguing, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 23, 1917.

Chap.121 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL PAYMENT TO THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Annual payment to Massachusetts

SECTION 1. There shall be paid annually, on or before the first day of July, to the treasurer of the Massachusetts

State Firemen's Association, the sum of eighteen thousand dollars, to be used by the association for the relief of firemen in accordance with the provisions of section seventy-three of chapter thirty-two of the Revised Laws, as amended by chapter two hundred and fifty-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and three, and by chapter ninety of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

State Firemen's Association.

SECTION 2. Section two of chapter one hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six is hereby amended by striking out the word "thirteen", in the second line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — sixteen, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 2.* The treasurer of said association shall give a bond in the sum of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars, with sureties approved by the treasurer and receiver general, for the faithful performance of his duties.

1906, 171, § 2, amended.

Treasurer to give bond.

SECTION 3. Section one of chapter one hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 23, 1917.

[1836, 1; 1869, 37; 1887, 55; 1888, 109; 1893, 7; 1894, 90; 1910, 102.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRUSTEES OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE TO HOLD ADDITIONAL REAL AND PERSONAL ESTATE. Chap. 122

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter ninety of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four, as amended by section one of chapter one hundred and two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and ten, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "four", in the third line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — seven, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 1.* The Trustees of Mount Holyoke College are hereby authorized to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding seven million dollars.

1894, 90, § 1, etc., amended.

Trustees of Mount Holyoke College may hold additional estate.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 23, 1917.

[1914, 145.]

Chap.123 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE SUFFOLK LAW SCHOOL SHALL ANNUALLY RECEIVE A COPY OF THE GENERAL AND OF THE SPECIAL ACTS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Suffolk Law School to receive copy of general and special acts.

The Suffolk Law School shall annually receive a copy of the volume containing the general laws, and of the volume containing the special laws, provided for by section one of chapter four hundred and forty-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Approved February 23, 1917.

Chap.124 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON FISHERIES AND GAME TO ISSUE PERMITS FOR FISHING IN SQUIBNOCKET POND.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Board of commissioners on fisheries and game may issue permits for fishing in Squibnocket pond.

SECTION 1. The board of commissioners on fisheries and game may issue permits to the inhabitants of Chilmark and Gay Head to seine in Squibnocket pond, subject to such restrictions as the board may prescribe, and subject to the approval of the selectmen of the town in which the applicant for a permit resides.

Penalty.

SECTION 2. Whoever uses a seine for the purpose of taking fish in Squibnocket pond without having a permit as aforesaid, and whoever violates the terms of any permit granted as aforesaid shall be punished by a fine of not less than five nor more than fifty dollars.

Approved February 23, 1917.

Chap.125 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF CHELSEA TO PAY CERTAIN BILLS CONTRACTED BY CITY OFFICIALS IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Chelsea may pay certain bills contracted by city officials.

SECTION 1. The city of Chelsea is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars in the payment of bills and the discharge of liabilities incurred by its officers and departments, in excess of their respective appropriations, prior to the first day of January, nineteen hundred and seventeen. For this purpose the city may

borrow the said sum, and may give notes therefor payable in the years nineteen hundred and seventeen, nineteen hundred and eighteen and nineteen hundred and nineteen: *provided*, that the amount of said notes payable in any year shall not be greater than the amount payable in any preceding year. Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 23, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF THE NANTASKET BEACH RESERVATION BY THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION. Chap.126

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding forty-five thousand one hundred sixty-one dollars and sixty-five cents is hereby appropriated for the care and maintenance of the Nantasket beach reservation by the metropolitan park commission during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, the same to be provided by assessments upon certain cities and towns in the metropolitan parks district in accordance with the findings of the apportionment commission under authority of chapter four hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine. Appropriation, maintenance of Nantasket beach reservation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 27, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF RESERVATIONS UNDER THE CARE OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION AND FOR CERTAIN PENSIONS. Chap.127

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be expended by the metropolitan park commission during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, from funds provided by assessments upon certain cities and towns in the metropolitan parks district in accordance with the findings of the apportionment commission under authority of chapter four hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, for the following purposes, to wit: — Appropriations, metropolitan parks district.

Reservations,
maintenance.

For the maintenance of reservations, a sum not exceeding four hundred eighty-four thousand four hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-three cents.

Certain
pensions.

For certain pensions, a sum not exceeding forty-seven hundred seventy dollars and twenty-five cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 27, 1917.

*Chap.*128 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CARE OF THE CHARLES RIVER BASIN BY THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
maintenance of
Charles river
basin.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding one hundred fifty thousand one hundred and eighty dollars is hereby appropriated, to be expended by the metropolitan park commission for the care of the Charles river basin during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, said amount to be provided for by assessments upon certain cities and towns in the metropolitan parks district in accordance with the findings of the apportionment commission under authority of chapter four hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 27, 1917.

*Chap.*129 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF BOULEVARDS AND PARKWAYS IN CHARGE OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
maintenance of
certain boulevards
and parkways.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding three hundred fifteen thousand four hundred fifty-three dollars and fifty-five cents is hereby appropriated for the care and maintenance of boulevards and parkways in charge of the metropolitan park commission, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, of which amount one half shall be paid out of the ordinary revenue and one half assessed upon the cities and towns in the metropolitan parks district in accordance with the findings of the apportionment commission under authority of chapter four hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 27, 1917.

[1908, 618; 1911, 138; 1914, 245.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CHARTER OF THE SAGAMORE WATER COMPANY. *Chap.130*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section seventeen of chapter six hundred and eighteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight, as amended by section one of chapter one hundred and thirty-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven and section one of chapter two hundred and forty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "nine", in the fifth line, and inserting in place thereof the word:— twelve, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 17.* This act shall take effect upon its passage, but shall become void unless said water company shall have begun to distribute water through its pipes to consumers in said town within twelve years after the date of its passage.

1908, 618, § 17, etc., amended.

Charter of Sagamore Water Company extended.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 27, 1917.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MASSACHUSETTS CATHOLIC WOMAN'S GUILD. *Chap.131*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Mary E. Cogan, Mary F. Donegan, Elizabeth C. Flynn, Mary F. Garrity, Mary F. Hand-schumacher, Julia A. Sheehy and Annie L. Weary, and all other persons now or hereafter associated with them under the name of Massachusetts Catholic Woman's Guild, and their successors, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of Massachusetts Catholic Woman's Guild.

Massachusetts Catholic Woman's Guild, incorporated.

SECTION 2. The objects of the said corporation shall be: (a) to promote works of charity and mercy, (b) for social purposes, (c) to render such aid to its members, the public, and to private individuals, as shall be proper, and by such lawful means as shall to them seem best, and to accumulate and maintain a reserve fund for this purpose.

Objects defined.

SECTION 3. The corporation shall have power to acquire property, real and personal, necessary for its purposes, and to hold and convey the same, to adopt such by-laws consistent with law, as may seem best for its government and for the management and disposition of its property and

Powers, adoption of by-laws, etc.

Same subject. to amend or repeal the same, to prescribe the qualifications of its members and the manner of admitting them into the society, and the manner of choosing officers; to define the duties and terms of office of the officers and to provide for filling vacancies; to provide for amending its charter, subject to the laws of the state, whenever deemed advisable in the management and conduct of its business. The corporation shall have all other powers granted to like corporations by the general laws of the commonwealth.

May form subordinate guilds, etc. SECTION 4. The said corporation may form and establish subordinate guilds, or other branches and divisions thereof, composed of members of said corporation, in any city or town in this commonwealth, and such guilds or branches, when so established, shall be governed and managed by such by-laws, rules and regulations, consistent with law, as the corporation shall determine; and said corporation may enforce the said by-laws, rules and regulations; and all subordinate guilds or other branches of said corporation heretofore or hereafter established by said guild shall be governed by such by-laws, rules and regulations as are now in force or may hereafter be adopted by said corporation.

Mortuary fund for payment of death benefits. SECTION 5. A mortuary fund may be established by each subordinate guild, and death benefits, not exceeding one hundred dollars, may be paid to such person or persons as shall be designated by each member.

Directors, number, principal office, etc. SECTION 6. The number of directors shall be ten and the chief or state office of the corporation shall be in the city of Boston. The territory shall be the commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Approved February 27, 1917.

[1913, 115.]

Chap. 132 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, TO HOLD ADDITIONAL PROPERTY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, may hold additional property.

SECTION 1. The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, a body corporate, is hereby authorized to receive, acquire, and hold real estate and gifts of money and other personal estate for religious, educational and charitable purposes, and to manage, improve, sell and dispose of the same for such purposes, subject to the terms of any trust set forth in any deed, conveyance, bequest or devise of any such estate which may now exist or may

result by implication or force of law, with such limitations as may by law govern such trust, anything in the laws of the commonwealth to the contrary notwithstanding.

SECTION 2. All deeds, gifts or grants and all devises and bequests heretofore or hereafter made to The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts; The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston; First Church of Christ, Scientist; The Mother Church; The Christian Science Board of Directors; to persons described as The Christian Science Board of Directors, or to persons described as Trustees known as the Christian Science Board of Directors, shall be deemed as giving, granting, conveying, devising or bequeathing the property mentioned in such instruments to The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, unless the contrary clearly appears from the instrument, and the titles passing respectively by such instruments shall be and the same hereby are vested in The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, subject to any limitations governing any trust expressed in any such instrument.

May receive certain bequests, etc., made under certain titles.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 28, 1917.

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD TO VOTE ON THE QUESTION OF ACCEPTING THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW.

Chap. 133

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. There shall be placed upon the official ballot to be used at the annual town meeting in the town of Westfield for the current year the following question: — "Shall the town accept the provisions of section forty-two of chapter five hundred and fourteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, as affected by chapter four hundred and ninety-four of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, as amended by chapter two hundred and forty of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, which provides that eight hours shall constitute a day's work for city or town employees?" If a majority of the voters voting thereon vote in the affirmative, the said section forty-two and the said chapter four hundred and ninety-four, as amended, shall thereupon take effect in the town of Westfield.

Town of Westfield to vote upon acceptance of eight-hour law for town employees.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 28, 1917.

Chap.134 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF SWANSEA TO TAKE
ADDITIONAL LAND FOR HIGH SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Swansea may take additional land for high school purposes.

SECTION 1. The town of Swansea is hereby authorized, subject to the provisions of general law not inconsistent herewith, to take in fee land not exceeding three acres in extent, to be used for a public high school, and adjoining the land already taken by the town for the same purpose.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 28, 1917.

Chap.135 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY
OF CAMBRIDGE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Certain order regulating police department in Cambridge confirmed.

SECTION 1. So much of the order amending the general regulations for the government of the police force of the city of Cambridge, approved by the mayor of Cambridge on March eighteen, nineteen hundred and eleven, as relates to drivers of patrol wagons and ambulances is hereby confirmed and made valid, and John J. Sullivan, Dennis J. Sullivan, John J. McCauley, Warren H. Dow, William F. Ward, Frederick McLaughlin and James R. Keough, then and now drivers of patrol wagons and ambulances in said city, are hereby declared to be members of the police force of said city, with the same rating and rights under the civil service laws and regulations to which they would now be entitled if they had been made regular police officers at the time of their first appointment to the respective offices which they now hold.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 28, 1917.

Chap.136 AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TRUSTEE OF THE LOWELL
INSTITUTE AS A CORPORATION SOLE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Trustee of the Lowell Institute, made a corporation sole.

SECTION 1. The present trustee of the lecture fund established by the will and codicil of John Lowell, Junior, respectively allowed by the probate court for the county of Suffolk on the eighteenth of June, and the twenty-seventh of

August, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, for the purpose of maintaining public lectures in the city of Boston, and commonly known as the Lowell Institute, and his successors in office, are hereby made a corporation sole under the name of Trustee of the Lowell Institute, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in all general laws now or hereafter in force relating to educational corporations, except as may otherwise be provided herein.

SECTION 2. The said trustee shall have the power to appoint his successor by means of a sealed instrument delivered to the Boston Athenæum, or by will, and he may at any time revoke and change the appointment; and in default of the exercise of said power by the trustee, his successor shall be appointed by the trustees of the Boston Athenæum.

May appoint successor.

SECTION 3. The trustees of the Boston Athenæum shall be visitors of the corporation with such powers as may be conferred upon them by the said will.

Visitors.

SECTION 4. The object of the said corporation shall be the maintenance of public lectures upon philosophy, natural history, religion, and the arts and sciences, or any of them, for the promotion of moral, intellectual and physical instruction and education.

Object defined.

SECTION 5. The said corporation is empowered to acquire by purchase, gift, lease, devise or otherwise, without limitation as to amount, real and personal estate of every description for the purposes of said trust, and to hold, manage and dispose of the same, in accordance with the terms of any trust set forth in any bequest, devise, deed or conveyance thereof.

May purchase, etc., real and personal estate.

SECTION 6. The present trustee and every successor in the office shall forthwith, upon the taking effect of this act or upon his appointment, as the case may be, sign and swear to a statement setting forth that he is duly appointed to, and has accepted, said office, and shall file the same with the secretary of the commonwealth, together with such other evidence of his appointment as the secretary may require. The secretary shall thereupon issue a certificate under the seal of the commonwealth which shall be conclusive evidence of the existence of the corporation hereby created and of the appointment of the trustee.

To file statement, etc., with secretary of the commonwealth.

Secretary to issue certificate of existence.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 28, 1917.

Chap.137 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS IN AID OF THE HUNTRESS FUND.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Gloucester may make appropriations in aid of the Huntress Fund.

SECTION 1. The municipal council of the city of Gloucester, with the approval of the mayor, is hereby authorized to raise by taxation and to appropriate, annually or otherwise, such sums of money as the council may determine in aid of the Huntress Fund, which is held in trust for the benefit of needy women in the said city.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved February 28, 1917.

Chap.138 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE RETIREMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEWTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Newton may retire members of fire department.

SECTION 1. The board of aldermen of the city of Newton, with the approval of the mayor, may retire from active service and place upon the pension roll any permanent or call or substitute call member of the fire department of that city who by injury sustained through no fault of his and in the actual performance of his duty has become permanently disabled, mentally or physically, from further useful service as a fireman in the department, and any permanent member of said department who has performed faithful service in that department for a period of not less than twenty years as a permanent fireman who is incapacitated for further service in the department as a fireman: *provided, however,* that no member of said department shall be retired for permanent disability except upon the certificate of the city physician, which certificate shall be filed with the records of the city clerk.

Proviso.

Members who are eligible.

SECTION 2. Any permanent member of the fire department who has reached the age of sixty-five years, and who has performed faithful service in the department for a period of not less than twenty years, shall be retired from active service and placed on the pension roll.

Retirement of call members without pension.

SECTION 3. Any call or substitute call member of the fire department upon reaching the age of sixty-five years shall be retired without pension.

Chief may be continued in office.

SECTION 4. The chief of the fire department upon reaching the age of sixty-five years may, at his request, and by

vote of the board of aldermen, approved by the mayor, be continued in office from year to year.

SECTION 5. Every person retired under the provisions of sections one and two of this act shall receive from the city an annual pension or compensation equal to one half the rate of the compensation paid to him when in active service. Payments shall be made in the same manner and at the same time as payments of salary or other compensation to firemen in active service. Amount of pension, etc.

SECTION 6. No person shall receive any payment under this act who shall claim compensation under the provisions of chapter eight hundred and seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen or amendments thereof. Certain persons not included.

SECTION 7. The chief of the fire department is hereby authorized, in case of emergency, to call upon any person pensioned under this act for such temporary service, as a fireman in the department, as he may be able to perform, and during such service he shall be entitled to full pay. Temporary service and pay therefor.

SECTION 8. So much of any act as is inconsistent herewith shall not apply to the provisions of this act. Certain provisions not to apply.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the board of aldermen of the city of Newton. To be submitted to board of aldermen.

Approved February 28, 1917.

[Accepted April 2, 1917.]

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE RETIREMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEWTON. Chap. 139

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The board of aldermen of the city of Newton, with the approval of the mayor, may retire from active service and place upon the pension roll any member of the police department of that city who by injury sustained through no fault of his and in the actual performance of his duty has become permanently disabled, mentally or physically, from further useful service as a policeman in the department, and also any member of said department who has performed faithful service in that department for a period of not less than twenty years who is incapacitated for further service as a policeman in the department: *provided, however,* that no member of said department shall be retired for permanent disability except upon the certificate of the city physician, which certificate shall be filed with the records of the city clerk. City of Newton may retire members of police department. Proviso.

Members who are eligible.

SECTION 2. Any member of the police department who has reached the age of sixty-five years, and who has performed faithful service in the department for a period of not less than twenty years, shall be retired from active service and placed on the pension roll.

Chief may be continued in office.

SECTION 3. The chief of the police department upon reaching the age of sixty-five years may, at his request, and by vote of the board of aldermen, approved by the mayor, be continued in office from year to year.

Amount of pension, etc.

SECTION 4. Every person retired under the provisions of this act shall receive, from the city, an annual pension or compensation equal to one half the rate of compensation paid to him when in active service. Payments shall be made in the same manner and at the same time as payments of salary or other compensation to policemen in active service.

Certain persons not included.

SECTION 5. No person shall receive any payment under this act who shall claim compensation under the provisions of chapter eight hundred and seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen or any amendment thereof.

Temporary service and pay therefor.

SECTION 6. The chief of the police department is hereby authorized, in case of emergency, to call upon any person pensioned under this act for such temporary service in the department as he may be able to perform, and during such service he shall be entitled to full pay.

Certain provisions not to apply.

SECTION 7. So much of any act as is inconsistent herewith shall not apply to the provisions of this act.

To be submitted to board of aldermen.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the board of aldermen of the city of Newton.

Approved February 28, 1917.

[Accepted April 2, 1917.]

Chap. 140 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO THE WIDOW OF JOHN M. CONRY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston may pay a sum of money to Annie Conry.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay the sum of eight hundred and fifty-five dollars to Annie Conry, widow of John M. Conry, an employee of the city of Boston who died while in the service of the city.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

Proviso

Approved February 28, 1917.

[1914, 680; 1915, 65, Spec., 230, Spec., 252, Spec, 264, Spec.; 1916, 199, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ATTLEBORO. *Chap. 141**Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section six of chapter six hundred and eighty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen is hereby amended by inserting after the word "election", in the fourteenth line, the words: — and until their successors are elected and qualified, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 6.* At the municipal election following the acceptance of this act the qualified voters shall in the several wards give in their votes by ballot for mayor, city clerk, city treasurer, city collector, councilmen at large, councilmen by wards, one assessor and three members of the school committee. The mayor and councilmen by wards, city clerk, city collector, and city treasurer shall hold office for terms of two years from the first Tuesday of January following said election and until their successors are elected and qualified. The councilmen at large first elected shall hold office for terms of one year from the first Tuesday of January following said election, and those elected at subsequent municipal elections shall hold office for terms of two years from the first Tuesday of January following their election and until their successors are elected and qualified. One assessor shall be elected at said first municipal election, who shall hold office for a term of three years from the first Tuesday of January following his election, and who shall succeed that member of the board of assessors holding office in the town of Attleborough at the time of the passage of this act whose term expires during the year nineteen hundred and fifteen. At the second municipal election one assessor shall be elected who shall hold office for a term of three years from the first Tuesday of January following his election, and who shall succeed that member of the board of assessors of the said town holding office at the time of the passage of this act whose term expires during the year nineteen hundred and sixteen. At the third municipal election one assessor shall be elected who shall hold office for a term of three years from the first Tuesday of January following his election, and who shall succeed that member of the board of assessors of the said town holding office at the time of the passage of this act. Thereafter, at each subsequent municipal election, one assessor shall be elected who shall hold office for a term of

1914, 680, § 6,
amended.Officers to be
elected at
municipal
election in
Attleboro.Terms of
office, length
of.Assessor to
be elected at
first municipal
election.Assessor at
second municip-
al election.Assessor at
third municipal
election.Assessor to be
thereafter
elected for
three years.

three years from the first Tuesday of January following his election.

School committee, how elected.

Three members of the school committee shall be elected at said first municipal election, who shall hold office for a term of three years from the first Tuesday of January following their election and who shall succeed those members of the school committee holding office in the said town at the time of the passage of this act whose terms expire during the year nineteen hundred and fifteen. Thereafter, at each subsequent municipal election, three members of the school committee shall be elected in accordance with the foregoing provisions for the election and succession of assessors.

Persons elected, how determined.

The person receiving the highest number of votes for any office shall be deemed and declared to be elected to such office; and whenever two or more persons are to be elected to the same office, the several persons, up to the number required to be chosen, receiving the highest number of votes shall be deemed and declared to be elected.

Vacancies, how filled.

At every annual municipal election after said first municipal election, there shall be elected officers to fill vacancies and to succeed those whose terms will expire upon the first Tuesday of January following.

1914, 680, § 11, amended.

SECTION 2. Section eleven of said chapter six hundred and eighty is hereby amended by striking out the word "Monday", in the eighth line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — Tuesday, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 11.* The mayor, city clerk, city treasurer, city collector and councilmen elect, shall, on the first Tuesday of January of the year of the beginning of their terms of office, meet and be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. The oath shall be administered by a justice of the peace and shall be certified and entered on the journal of the municipal council. In case the mayor elect is absent on the first Tuesday in January, or if a mayor shall not then have been elected, the oath of office may at any time thereafter be administered to him; and at any time thereafter in like manner the oath of office may be administered to any other elected officer who has been previously absent or has subsequently been elected; and every such oath shall be certified and entered as aforesaid.

Oath of office, when and by whom administered, etc.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor and municipal council of the city of Attleboro.

Approved February 28, 1917.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

[1871, 358; 1873, 246; 1886, 191; 1891, 127; 1896, 441; 1898, 302; 1900, 323; 1902, 352; 1908, 611; 1914, 351, 396.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF *Chap.142*
GLOUCESTER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section eight of chapter two hundred and forty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-three is hereby amended by striking out the word "Monday", in the forty-fourth line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — day, — and by inserting after the word "January", in the same line, the words: — or, on the second day, when the first day falls on a Sunday, — so that the sentence in which these words occur will read as follows: — The aldermen and common councilmen elect shall, on the first day of January, or, on the second day, when the first day falls on a Sunday, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, meet in convention, when the oath required by this act shall be administered to the members of the two boards present, by the mayor, or by any justice of the peace for the county of Essex; and a certificate of such oath having been taken, shall be entered on the journal of the mayor and aldermen and of the common council by their respective clerks.

1873, 246, § 8, amended.

Date fixed for administration of oath to municipal officers in Gloucester.

Approved February 28, 1917.

[1917, 254, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO EDWARD A. SHEA. *Chap.143*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay an annuity, not exceeding three hundred dollars, to Edward A. Shea of Boston, formerly a member of the fire department of the city, who was seriously injured at the fire known as the Merrimack street fire in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

City of Boston may pay an annuity to Edward A. Shea.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

To be submitted to city council, etc. Proviso.

Approved February 28, 1917.

[Accepted March 27, 1917.]

[1890, 189; 1897, 239; 1898, 132; 1907, 397; 1909, 66; 1916, 117, Spec.]

Chap.144 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICOPEE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Term of office of mayor of Chicopee established.

SECTION 1. At the next annual municipal election in the city of Chicopee, and at such election in every second year thereafter, the mayor shall be elected by the qualified voters of the city voting in their respective precincts. He shall be elected by ballot, and shall hold his office for two years from the first Monday in January following his election, and until his successor is elected and qualified.

Repeal.

SECTION 2. So much of the charter of said city and of the amendments thereof as is inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

To be submitted to voters at the next state election.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the qualified voters of the city of Chicopee, present and voting therein at the state election in the current year.

Approved February 28, 1917.

[1917, 219, Spec.]

[1906, 291; 1907, 214; 1909, 387; 1913, 715; 1915, 313, Spec.]

Chap.145 AN ACT RELATIVE TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF THE CONDITIONS OF LIQUOR LICENSES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1906, 291, § 15, amended.

Section fifteen of chapter two hundred and ninety-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six is hereby amended by striking out the word "fifteen", where it occurs in the thirteenth, twenty-first and twenty-second lines, and inserting in place thereof the word: — thirty, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 15.* If said police commissioner is at any time of the opinion that a person holding a license to sell intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston has violated or permitted a violation of any condition of his license, said police commissioner shall forthwith give notice to such licensee of the violation or violations aforesaid, and shall transmit to said licensing board a report in writing containing a statement of the conditions of the license that have been violated, together with a copy of said notice. If said licensing board, after a hearing as prescribed by section forty-seven of chapter one hundred of the Revised Laws, shall determine that said license shall be forfeited, they shall,

Police commissioner to give notice of violation of conditions of liquor licenses in the city of Boston.

Licensing board to give notice of forfeiture of license.

within thirty days after the receipt of the report of said commissioner, so notify said licensee and said commissioner; and said notice may be served upon said licensee by a police officer of said city, by delivering the same to him in hand or by leaving it at the place of abode of the licensee or at the place where the business authorized by such license is carried on. Upon such notice the license shall become forfeited. If said licensing board finds that said license should not be forfeited, they shall, within thirty days after the receipt of the report aforesaid, notify said commissioner of such finding, and shall also notify said licensee.

Notice of forfeiture, how served.

Notices, when license is not forfeited.

Approved February 28, 1917.

[1916, 257, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Chap. 146

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section one of chapter two hundred and fifty-seven of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:— and in the case of a janitor the rate of pension shall be based upon his net compensation as determined by the school committee, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 1.* The school committee of the city of Boston may retire, with an annual pension, any janitor or attendance officer in the service of the schools who has reached the age of sixty years, after completing a period of not less than twenty-five years in the said service, and who has become physically incapacitated. Such pension shall be equal to one half the compensation to which the pensioner would have been entitled for full employment during the last year of his service, but in no case shall it exceed three hundred and sixty dollars a year, and in the case of a janitor the rate of pension shall be based upon his net compensation as determined by the school committee.

1916, 257 (S.), § 1, amended.

School committee of city of Boston may retire certain school employees.

Amount of pension.

Approved February 28, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF TAUNTON TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO J. JOSEPH HOYE.

Chap. 147

Be it enacted, etc., as follows.

SECTION 1. The city of Taunton is hereby authorized to pay to J. Joseph Hoyer, a citizen of Taunton, who was acci-

City of Taunton may pay a sum of

money to J. Joseph Hoye.

To be submitted to municipal council, etc. Proviso.

dentally shot by a policeman while in the performance of his duty, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the municipal council of the city of Taunton, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, said acceptance and approval occur prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

Approved February 28, 1917.

[Accepted April 18, 1917.]

[1857, 18; 1864, 295; 1872, 87; 1873, 267, 268; 1876, 24; 1877, 23; 1881, 200; 1884, 86, 111; 1894, 325; 1895, 179; 1899, 328; 1908, 559; 1911, 680; 1912, 319; 1913, 190, 583; 1914, 314, 592; 1916, 189, Spec.]

Chap. 148 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF CHELSEA.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1911, 680, (II), § 5, amended.

School committee of the city of Chelsea, membership of.

Terms of office.

SECTION 1. Section five of Part II of chapter six hundred and eighty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven is hereby amended by striking out the said section, and inserting in place thereof the following:— *Section 5.* The school committee shall consist of the mayor, ex officio, and ten other members, five of whom shall be elected at large by and from the qualified voters of the city for the term of two years, and one from each ward by and from the qualified voters of the ward for a like term.

SECTION 2. The terms of the present members of the school committee shall expire at the conclusion of the current municipal year, and there shall be elected at the next municipal election ten persons, five of whom shall be elected at large and one from each of the wards, who, with the mayor, ex officio, shall constitute the school committee for the year nineteen hundred and eighteen. Of the members elected at large, the three who stand first, second and third in respect to the number of votes cast, shall hold office for the term of two years, and the two remaining members elected at large shall hold office for the term of one year. Thereafter, at each municipal election, there shall be elected for the term of two years so many new members as there are terms then expiring.

To be submitted to voters at the next state election.

SECTION 3. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Chelsea at the state election for the current year, and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters voting thereon in the affirmative.

Approved February 28, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A *Chap.149*
PENSION TO WILLIAM E. STAPLES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred and twelve of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen is hereby amended by striking out section one and inserting in place thereof the following new section:— *Section 1.* The city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, is hereby authorized to pay annually to William E. Staples a sum equal to one half of the annual compensation which he received from the city as call man in the fire department during the year prior to his retirement therefrom after twenty-three years and eleven months of service. The said payment by the city shall date from the first day of January, in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

1914, 112, § 1,
amended.

City of Boston
may pay a
pension to
William E.
Staples.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 1, 1917.

[1908, 456; 1915, 353, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE WATER SUPPLY OF THE TOWN OF *Chap.150*
ASHLAND.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter four hundred and fifty-six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight is hereby amended by striking out the semicolon after the word "corporation", in the seventh line, and inserting in place thereof the words:— or the whole or any part of its supply of water from any municipal corporation owning and operating water works, whose territory joins that of the town of Ashland, and any such municipal corporation is hereby authorized to furnish water for the town of Ashland upon terms mutually agreed upon, and from its own authorized sources of supply, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 2.* Said town, for the purposes aforesaid, may take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold the waters of any pond or stream or of any ground sources of supply, by means of driven, artesian or other wells within the limits of the town, and the water rights connected with any such water sources, or may purchase water from any individual or corporation or the whole or any part of its supply of water from any municipal corporation owning and operating

1908, 456, § 2,
amended.

Town of Ash-
land may take
certain water
rights, etc.

water works, whose territory joins that of the town of Ashland, and any such municipal corporation is hereby authorized to furnish water for the town of Ashland upon terms mutually agreed upon, and from its own authorized sources of supply; and may avail itself of its existing rights and privileges reserved to it by the provisions of chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two: *provided, however*, that nothing in this act shall be construed as increasing such rights and privileges, or may make arrangements for obtaining water from the metropolitan water system which shall be satisfactory to the town and to the metropolitan water and sewerage board, and may also take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold all lands, rights of way and easements necessary for collecting, storing, holding, purifying and preserving the purity of the water and for conveying the same to any part of said town; *provided*, that there is no infringement upon the existing rights and privileges of the metropolitan water system excepting as allowed for above, and *provided*, that no source of water supply and no lands necessary for preserving the quality of such water, shall be taken or used without first obtaining the advice and approval of the state board of health, and that the location of all dams, reservoirs and wells to be used as sources of water supply under this act shall be subject to the approval of said board. Said town may construct on the lands acquired and held under the provisions of this act, proper dams, reservoirs, stand-pipes, tanks, buildings, fixtures and other structures, and may make excavations, procure and operate machinery and provide such other means and appliances and do such other things as may be necessary for the establishment and maintenance of complete and effective water works; and for that purpose may construct wells and reservoirs, and establish pumping works, and may construct, lay and maintain aqueducts, conduits, pipes and other works under or over any land, water courses, railroads, railways and public or other ways, and along such ways in the town of Ashland, in such manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same; and for the purpose of constructing, laying, maintaining, operating and repairing such conduits, pipes and other works, and for all proper purposes of this act, said town may dig up or raise and embank any such lands, highways or other ways in such manner as to cause the least hindrance to public travel on such ways. Said town shall not enter upon, con-

Provisos.

May take lands, etc.

Provisos.

May erect structures, lay pipes, etc.

struct or lay any conduits, pipes or other works within the location of a railroad corporation, except at such time and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or, in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the board of railroad commissioners.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 1, 1917.

[1913, 406.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE NORTH LEVERETT CEMETERY
ASSOCIATION TO ACQUIRE PLAINVIEW CEMETERY. *Chap. 151*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter four hundred and six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen is hereby amended by striking out the words "take by right of eminent domain, or to", in the second line, by striking out the word "otherwise", in the third line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — gift, — and by adding at the end thereof the following: — and also the Plainview cemetery, so-called, situated on the road leading from North Leverett to Moore's Corner and containing one acre, more or less, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 2.* The said corporation is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase or gift, the three burial grounds situated in that part of the town of Leverett called North Leverett, on the Jackson Hill road, the Chestnut Hill road and at Moore's Corner, respectively, and also the Plainview cemetery, so-called, situated on the road leading from North Leverett to Moore's Corner and containing one acre, more or less.

1913, 406, § 2,
amended.

North Leverett
Cemetery As-
sociation may
acquire Plain-
view cemetery.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 1, 1917.

[1909, 290.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF MANSFIELD TO
BORROW MONEY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SEWERAGE
SYSTEM. *Chap. 152*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Mansfield, for the purpose of constructing a sewerage system in accordance with the provisions of chapter two hundred and ninety of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, is hereby authorized to borrow in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness a

Town of Mans-
field may
borrow money
to construct a
sewerage sys-
tem.

Mansfield
Sewerage Loan,
Act of 1917.

sum not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars in addition to the amount authorized by said chapter, and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor. Such bonds or notes shall be denominated on their face, Mansfield Sewerage Loan, Act of 1917; shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen of the town; shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum payable semi-annually; shall be payable by such annual payments beginning not more than one year after the date thereof as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date, and the amount of the annual payments on the principal of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The town may from time to time sell such securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 2. The town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans provide for the payment thereof by such annual payments as will extinguish the same in accordance with the provisions of section one of this act; and when a vote to that effect has been passed, the amount required thereby, less the amount that may be appropriated from receipts from sewer assessments and payments in lieu thereof, shall without further vote be assessed by the assessors of the town each year in the same manner as other taxes until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 1, 1917.

Chap. 153 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE TO PAY A PENSION TO WILLARD H. POOLE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Cam-
bridge may
pay a pension
to Willard H.
Poole.

SECTION 1. The city of Cambridge is hereby authorized to place upon the pension roll of the city as a call man with a call man's pay, the name of Willard H. Poole, a former member of the fire department of the city, who was incapacitated by an injury suffered in the course of his duties on March twenty-second in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two. His pension shall be paid monthly and shall not exceed five hundred dollars a year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Cambridge, with the approval of the mayor. *Approved March 1, 1917.*

To be submitted to city council.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REINSTATEMENT OF THOMAS F. TARPEY BY THE CITY OF BOSTON. *Chap. 154*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The commissioner of public works of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, is hereby authorized at any time prior to the first day of January, nineteen hundred and eighteen, to reinstate Thomas F. Tarpey as an employee of the department of public works. *Approved March 1, 1917.*

City of Boston may reinstate Thomas F. Tarpey.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REINSTATEMENT OF MICHAEL CASEY BY THE CITY OF BOSTON. *Chap. 155*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The commissioner of public works of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, is hereby authorized at any time prior to the first day of January, nineteen hundred and eighteen, to reinstate Michael Casey as an employee in the department of public works. *Approved March 1, 1917.*

City of Boston may reinstate Michael Casey.

[1822, 11.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE DISPOSITION OF THE INCOME OF THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL FUND. *Chap. 156*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section two of chapter eleven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and twenty-two is hereby amended by striking out the words "so that the annual income of said fund shall not exceed eight hundred dollars", in the eleventh and twelfth lines, and by inserting after the word "parish", in the twentieth line, the words: — and for the support of music in the church of said parish, — so as to read as follows: — *Sec. 2. Be it further enacted,* That the said Trustees shall have power to take and receive into their hands and possession, all such sums of money, or the securities therefor, as have been paid or secured to be paid, by any of the inhabitants of the Second Parish in West Springfield, towards the support and maintenance of a Congregational Minister in said parish; and may receive and hold such further subscriptions, donations, grants, bequests and devises as may

1822, 11, § 2, amended.

Disposition of the income of the Agawam Congregational Fund.

Interest of fund, how to be appropriated.

Principal of fund to remain unimpaired, etc.

hereafter be made to them, or the inhabitants of said parish, for the same purpose; the interest of which fund shall be forever appropriated, annually, towards the support of such Congregational Minister, as shall from time to time be ordained and settled over that denomination of christians in said parish, or in case of vacancy, towards the payment of such candidate as may be employed by a majority of the people of that denomination to preach within said parish, and for the support of music in the church of said parish, and to no other purpose whatever. It shall not be lawful for the said Trustees to appropriate any part of the principal of said fund, and they shall use their endeavors to preserve the same entire and unimpaired. And if the said Trustees, or either of them, shall suffer the said fund to be impaired or diminished, through their personal misconduct or misapplication, they shall severally be responsible to make good such loss out of their private estate.

Approved March 1, 1917.

Chap.157

AN ACT TO DISSOLVE CERTAIN CORPORATIONS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Certain corporations dissolved.

SECTION 1. Such of the following named corporations as are not already legally dissolved, are hereby dissolved, subject to the provisions of sections fifty-two and fifty-three of chapter four hundred and thirty-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and three and the amendments thereof: —

BUSINESS CORPORATIONS.

A-B-F Machinery Company
 A & B Comedy Co.
 A. C. Fay Company
 A. Dickey Co.
 A. F. March Company
 A. G. Smalley & Co. Inc.
 A. Grimes & Son, Incorporated
 A. L. Stone Manufacturing Co.
 A. Lord & Company, Incorporated
 A. P. Nardini Company
 A. W. Arthur (Inc.)
 A. W. Emmons Company
 Abegweit Silver Black Fox Co.
 Absorbentene Company, The

Acme Shoe Company
 Acorn Knee Pants Company
 Adams, Thurlow Co. Inc.
 Adams Woolen Co.
 Aero Sales Company, Incorporated
 Actua Manufacturing Company
 Aichess Petticoat Company
 Aiken Knapp Company
 Aiken Putnam Co.
 Akers and Taylor Manufacturing Company
 Albenart Company
 Alcohol Products Co., The
 Alden Sheet Metal Working & Plumbing Co.
 Alfonso Squillacioti Company
 Alfred Karp, Inc.
 Algonquin Co., Inc., The
 Allen and Fox Express Company
 Ambler Myriagraph Company
 American Auto Air Brake Company
 American Auto Signal Company
 American Automatic Machine Company
 American Baking Company
 American Cultivator Publishing Company
 American Delivery Company
 American Equipment Company
 American Flax Mills
 American Gem Company
 American Grocery Company
 American Law Service Company
 American Lumber Company
 American National Investment Company
 American Nut Lock Company
 American Paper Stock Company
 American Parcel Post Tag Company
 American Safety Appliance Company
 American Stamping Machine Company
 American Stop-Motion Company
 American Submerged Exhaust Co.
 American Tailors, Inc.
 American Tire Company
 American Waltham Watch Company
 American X-Ray Screen Co.
 Ames Premium Company
 Amesbury Commercial Press

Certain
 corporations
 dissolved.

Certain
corporations
dissolved.

Anderson Electric Car Company of Boston
Apex Carbureter Company
Apex Store Co., The
Apollo Theatre Incorporated
Arcade Company, Inc., The
Archer and Company, Incorporated
Ariston Manufacturing Co. Inc., The
Asbestos Protected Metal Company
Associated Trust, Inc., The
Atlantic Machine Screw Company
Atlantic Stationery & Bording Co.
Atlantic Talking Machine Company
Atlas Brass Foundry, Inc.
Atlas Glue and Gelatine Company
Atterbury Boston Company
Attleboro Bottling Company
Attleboro Drug Company, The
Aurora, Inc.
Austin Gove & Son, Incorporated
Auto News Publishing Company
Auto Renting Company
Autogenous Welding Equipment Company
Automatic Brake Company
Automatic Metal Turning Company
Automobile Club of New England, Inc.
Ayer Rendering Company
B. & R. Rubber Company, The
B. B. Suspender Company, Inc., The
B. D. Goring Co.
B. F. Phillips Company
B. F. Smith Construction Company
B. Hochberg Co.
B. L. T. Company
B. R. Yerxa Co.
B. U. Suspender Company
Bacon-Farnum Company
Bankers' College Foundation, Inc., The
Bargain Counter, Inc., The
Barletta-Cartullo Co.
Barnett and Goodman Incorporated
Barney-Vinal Company, The
Barrett Chemical Company
Bart Manufacturing Company, The
Bartels & Thelen Shoe Co.

Bath Grinder Co.
 Baxter Manufacturing Company
 Bay State Crockery Company
 Bay State Felt Company
 Bay State Incorporating Company
 Bay State Lamp Company
 Bay State Manufacturing Company
 Bay State Metal Corporation
 Bay State Packing Company
 Bay State Publishing Company
 Bay State Realty Co.
 Beacon Book Store Company
 Beacon Live Stock Co.
 Beacon Plating Company
 Beacon Profit Sharing Coupon Co.
 Bear River Paper Company
 Beaver Construction Co. Inc., The
 Bell Bayers & Woodberry Company
 Bellere Automatic Train Stopping Machinery Co.
 Belmont Baking Company
 Bemis Rubber Company
 Ben Craig Players Company, Inc.
 Benjamin Bros. Company
 Benn Pump Works
 Bennett Manufacturing Company
 Bennett's Inc.
 Bennington Company, The
 Berkeley Theatre Co.
 Berkshire Woolen & Worsted Company
 Berlin Shoe Company
 Berry Spring Water Company
 Best Paint Company
 Beverly Coke Company, The
 Beverly Confectionery Company
 Beverly News Company
 Beverly Printing Company
 Big T Film Company, The
 Blake Hydraulic Valve Corporation
 Blitz Sales Company
 Blue Ribbon Garage Company
 Bolton Telephone Company, The
 Bond and Bond Company
 Bonney-McCormack Co.
 Booth Co., The

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dissolved.

Boston Anaesthetic Co.
 Boston and Montana Guarantee Company
 Boston & Southern Lumber Company Inc.
 Boston Auto Auction & Sales Co., Inc.
 Boston Baled Shavings Exchange, Inc.
 Boston Bargain Syndicate, Inc.
 Boston-Berkshire Composite Brick Company
 Boston Bolt and Iron Co.
 Boston Condensed Milk Company
 Boston Construction Company
 Boston Decorative Plant Company
 Boston Drug Company
 Boston French Range Company
 Boston Furnace Company
 Boston Harbor Transportation Company
 Boston Hat & Bonnet Frame Company
 Boston Herald, Incorporated
 Boston Jewelry Exchange, Inc.
 Boston Jewelry Manufacturing Company
 Boston Jewish Voice, Inc., The
 Boston Longford Auto Parts Company
 Boston Market Reporter Publishing Company
 Boston Oil and Grease Company
 Boston Opera Company
 Boston Photograph Company
 Boston Realty Holding Company
 Boston Sales Company, Inc.
 Boston Stock and Die Company
 Boston Stoker Company
 Boston Upholstering Company
 Boston Wholesale Cloak and Suit Association Inc.
 Boston Wholesale Drug Co., Inc.
 Bowker Fertilizer Company
 Brackett-Parker Company
 Bradford Extracting Company
 Bradley Manufacturing Co.
 Bradley Portable House Company
 Bristol Cigar Company
 Broadway Garage, Inc.
 Broadway Theatre Stock Company
 Brookline Lumber & Supply Company
 Brown & Company, Inc.
 Brown-Davis Hardware Company
 Brown Manufacturing Company

Brown's Cash Market, Inc.
 Bryning Shelf Company
 Buckley Automatic Flag-pole Company
 Buckley's Incorporated
 Builders Foundry Co.
 Builders Material Co., The
 Building Trades' Credit Agency, The
 Burgess Teaming Company, The
 Burkinshaw Knife Company
 Burleigh & Martin Incorporated
 Burt Furniture Company
 Busch's Auto Tours, Inc.
 Business Men's Protective Syndicate, Inc.
 Buzzell Manufacturing Company
 C. A. Cossaboom & Co. Inc.
 C. A. Hurd Company
 C. A. Jackson Automobile and Motor Truck Company
 C. A. Siegemund Company
 C. & S. Rubber Sole Company
 C. D. Wright Company
 C. F. Coombs & Company Incorporated
 C. H. Goulding Company
 C. M. Franklin Company
 C-me-doo Knife Sharpener Co.
 C. N. Fitts Co., The
 C. R. Drew Company, Inc.
 C. R. G. Mfg. Co.
 Caddo Guy Land Company
 Callahan Floor Drain Co.
 Cambridge Gridiron Co.
 Cambridge Market Company
 Cambridge Theatre Company
 Campbell Drug Company
 Campbell's Cash Market, Inc.
 Canadian Dressed Meat Co.
 Canadian Wheat Growing Company
 Cape Cod & New Bedford Steamship Co.
 Cape Cod Fishing Company
 Cape Cod Products Company
 Cape Cod Scallop Company
 Carpenter Spring Tire, Inc.
 Carter Co-operative Company
 Cattaraugus Tanning Company (1910)
 Central Grocery Company

Certain
 corporations
 dissolved.

Certain
corporations
dissolved.

Central Hard Fibre Co.
 Central Ice Manufacturing Company
 Chalmers Motor Company of Massachusetts, Inc.
 Chambers-Alden Company, The
 Charles Buck Edge Tool Company
 Charles C. Ball, Incorporated
 Charles E. Perry Company
 Charles F. Packard Agency, Inc.
 Charles H. Attwater & Co. Inc.
 Charles L. Schlesinger Company, Incorporated, The
 Charles M. Bunker, Ltd.
 Charles S. Sexton Company
 Chelsea Bag & Burlap Company
 Chemical Paper Company
 Chicopee Manufacturing Company, The
 Chism Equipment Company, The
 Church's Booking Office Inc.
 Citizens Coal & Coke Co.
 Citrus Development Company
 City and Suburban Associates, Incorporated
 City Loan Company
 Clark and Sands Company
 Clark, Coggin and Johnson Company
 Clark Refining Company
 Clark Remedies Company
 Claxton Drug Company
 Clayton Chemical Company
 Cleveland-Maine Black Fox Ranching Company
 Clinton Cut Sole Company
 Clinton Express Company
 Clover Shoe Company
 Cloyes Incorporated
 Coastwise Petroleum Company
 Coburn-Draper Motor Company
 Coconis Cigarette Machine Co.
 Codman & Co., Incorporated
 Coin Operated Machine Company
 Collins, Pratt & Graves Company
 Colonial Construction Co.
 Colonial Fidelity Company
 Colonial Fur Ranching Company
 Colonial Theatre, Incorporated of Lowell
 Colonial Tool Company
 Columbia Company, Incorporated, The

Columbia Securities Company
 Columbian Corporation, The
 Combustion Engine Power Company
 Combusto Sales Corporation
 Comfort Saddle Tree Manufacturing Company
 Commercial Garage Company, The
 Commercial Investment Co., The
 Commonwealth Building Association Inc.
 Commonwealth Candy Company
 Commonwealth Glue Company
 Concord Packing Company
 Congress Shoe & Rubber Company
 Conlon Motor Cab Co.
 Consolidated Meat and Grocery Company
 Consolidated Realty Trust, Inc.
 Consumers' Discount Society, Incorporated
 Consumers Ice Company of Pittsfield
 Consumptina Emulsion Company
 Contractors Equipment Company
 Coolidge Corner Garage Company
 Cooper Manufacturing Company
 Co-operativa Canosina Inc.
 Co-operative Insurance Stamp Company
 Co-operative Motors Corporation, The
 Cordeau Shoe Company, The
 Cornell & Andrews, Incorporated
 Cornwall Fur Company
 Cosmopolitan Cloak Company
 Cosmopolitan Egg Company
 Cosmopolitan Mercantile Investment Co.
 Cosmopolitan Rubber Co.
 Cosmopolitan Wood and Coal Company
 Cottage Drug Company
 Cottrell Motor Car Company
 Crary-Ford Starter Company of N. E., The
 Crawford-Plummer Company
 Crescent Amusement Company, The
 Crescent Oil Company
 Crockford Manufacturing Company
 Crosby-Conley Company
 Cuban Cigar Company, The
 Cummings Fish Company
 Cunard Sales Company
 Cunningham Bros. Inc.

Certain
 corporations
 dissolved.

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dissolved.

Curtis Construction Company
 Curtis, Curtis & Lyon Company
 Cutler Construction Company
 Cutter & Smith Company, Inc.
 Cyril J. Larivee, Inc.
 D. A. Gorman Leather Company
 D. Wood Company
 Danbury Hat Store Inc., The
 Daniels Shoe Co.
 Danvers Laundry Company
 Danvers Tungsten Lamp Company
 Danversport Rubber Company, The
 Dart Motor Truck Company of Massachusetts
 David M. Connell Company
 Davis Circulating Library, Inc., The
 Davis, King Co.
 DeAngelis Plastering Co., Inc.
 De Haan-Kennedy Company
 "De Merle" Garter Company
 Dell Reed Candy Co.
 Delta Grocery Co., Inc.
 Denby Motor Truck Sales Company
 Dewey Square Alleys, Inc.
 Diamond Baking Powder Co.
 Diamond Brick Company
 Doctor J. A. Walsh Company
 Dr. P. E. Truesdale's Private Hospital, Inc.
 Dr. Temple's Treatment, Inc.
 Dorsen Cloak Company, The
 Douglas Granite Company
 Draycott Mills, The
 Druggists' Manufacturing Association
 Dudley Manufacturing Company
 Dudley Mills Company
 Dunn Flyer Company
 Dunster Amusement Company, The
 Durell and Company Inc.
 Dyna-Como Company
 E. F. Drew & Company, Inc.
 E. Gustafson Company, The
 E. J. Hervey Company
 E. J. Potter Co.
 E. L. Gay Machine Company
 E. L. Tucker Shoe Company, Inc.

E. M. Humphreville Construction Co.
 E. P. Longley Box Company
 E. Raymond Company, The
 E. S. Lincoln, Inc.
 Eames Tool Company
 East Boston Young Mens Loan Association, The
 East Dennis Fish Freezing Company
 Eastern Chemical Company of Massachusetts
 Eastern Fruit Packing Company
 Eastern Printing Company
 Eastern Theatres Company
 Eastern Underwriting Company
 Eastern Vending Machine Co.
 Eclipse Tanning Company, of Massachusetts
 Economy Cloak & Suit Company
 Economy Toggle Co. (1912)
 Edgar L. Wheeler Company
 Educational Associates, Inc., The (1913)
 Electric Compressing Machine Company, The
 Electric Stain Company
 Elite Manufacturing Company
 Elite Quality Shop of Wakefield, Inc., The
 Elizabeth Manufacturing Company
 Ellis-Ward Co.
 Ellsworth Sample Shoe Company
 Elmer Chickering Company
 Emergency Trunk and Bag Company
 Emery Bemis Tobacco Company
 Emery Steamship Company
 Emmet Associates, Inc., The
 Empire Amusement Operating Company
 Empire Biscuit Company
 Ericson & Co., Inc.
 Essex Coal Company
 Evening Traveler Company
 Everett Printing Company, Inc.
 Everole Company
 Everson Manufacturing Company
 Everybody's Store Inc.
 Exeter Box Company
 Eye Rex Co.
 F. A. Gibbs the Druggist Inc.
 F. B. Stanton Company
 F. B. Tilton Company

Certain
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dissolved.

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dissolved.

F. C. Hebard Company
 F. D. Sherburne Inc.
 F. E. Stowell, Incorporated
 F. H. Cartwright Co., Inc.
 F. H. Day Co., The
 F. L. Daggett Co. (1906)
 F. L. Herbey & Co. Inc.
 F. M. Bill Company of Boston
 F. S. McDermott Company
 F. W. Roberts Co., The
 Fall River Automatic Telephone Company
 Faneuil Flower Shop, Inc.
 Farrington Agency, Inc., The
 Farrington Mercantile Company
 Federal Brass Foundry Company
 Federal Engineering Company
 Federal Printing Company
 Fellman Mnfg. Co.
 Fells Ice Company, The
 Femina Publishing Co.
 Ferd. F. French and Co. Limited
 Ferris, Jardine, Inc.
 Fesol Chemical Company
 Fiberloid Company, The (1911)
 Field Lumbert Company K.
 Firemen's Standard Printing and Publishing Company,
 The
 Fitchburg & Leominster Express Co.
 Fitchburg Drug Company
 Fletcher Accessory Company, Inc., The
 Florence Waist Company
 Folding Bolster Roll Company
 Fonseca Brothers, Inc.
 Ford Credit Co.
 Forde & Nott Co.
 Forest Park Hospital, Inc., The
 Foster Company, Inc., The
 Four Associates, Inc.
 409 Park Avenue Company
 Fowler & Toquet, Incorporated
 Foxboro Baking and Ice Cream Company
 Foxborough Gas Company
 Framingham Trading Company
 Frank A. Hartstone Company

Frank G. Crowley Co.
 Frank L. Roberts Company
 Franklin Cranberry Company
 Franklin-Lasoff-Rosenstrauch, Inc.
 Franklin Square Pharmacy, Incorporated
 Frazier Bedding Company
 Fred D. Sperry Company
 Fred S. Stewart Shoe Company
 French Acadian Coöperative Association
 French Edge Machine Company
 Frost Ideal Bakery, Inc.
 G. & F. Manufacturing Company
 Gale & Croke Co. Inc.
 Geddis Remedy Company
 Gendreau-Reynolds Company
 General Realty and Contracting Company
 Geo. C. Elliott Co.
 George G. London Manufacturing Company, The
 George H. Mason Company
 George L. Ware, Incorporated
 George Loring Company, The
 George M. Small & Company, Incorporated
 George Richardson & Company, Inc.
 George S. Stevens Company
 George Steam Turbine Company
 George Sykes Company
 George W. Alden Company, The
 Georgetown Gas Company, The
 Gilbride Company, The
 Globe Loan Company
 Goddard Spark Plug Co., The
 Goldstein, Hermon Company
 Goodhue Amusement Company
 Goodwin-Howard Concrete Construction Company
 Goodyear Boot and Shoe Company
 Goose-Broidy Company
 Gordon & Shoolman Enterprises Inc.
 Gordon and Sparrow Company
 Gordon's Olympia Co.
 Grand Theatres Company of Massachusetts, The
 Graniteville Granite Quarries Corporation, The
 Gray Dollar Limit Stores Incorporated
 Great Eastern Amusement Company, The
 Greater Boston Publishing and Industrial Company

Certain
 corporations
 dissolved.

Certain
corporations
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Greater Plymouth Newspaper Co.
 Green Mountain Lumber Company
 Green Mountain Spruce Gum Company, The
 Green Star Children's Shoe Company
 Green The Druggist Incorporated
 Greendale Drug Company
 Greendale Gas Engine Company
 Greenwheel Chemical Laboratories, Incorporated
 Gridley Medicine Company
 Griffin-Thomas-Paine Company
 Grimes Hat Company
 Grip Coupling Company
 Grocers Fruit and Produce Company
 Grove Hall Theatre Inc.
 Guarantee Trust Inc., The
 Guernsey Glass and Bottle Company
 Guinee and Gilbert Company
 H. A. Rich Company
 H. B. Brown Company
 H. B. Eaton & Co. Inc.
 HC Red Label Chemical Company
 H. D. Watson Publishing Company
 H. F. Jorgensen, Inc.
 H. H. Mayhew Company
 H. K. Elliot Co.
 H²O Mfg. Co.
 Hale Dental Corporation, The
 Haley Patent Leather Company
 Hall Automobile Specialties Company
 Hamilton Trust Company
 Hampden Auto Co., The
 Hampden Automatic Telephone Company
 Hancock Engineering Company
 Handler Coal Company, The
 Hanlon Thornton Company
 Hannah Bradford, Incorporated (Org. April, 1916)
 Hannah Duston Shoe Company, The
 Hanover Amusement Company
 Harbor Manufacturing Company
 Harding Distributing Co.
 Harrison Avenue Pharmacy, Inc.
 Hart Arch Co.
 Hartley Silk Manufacturing Company, Inc.
 Harvard Construction Company

Harvard Laundry Co.
 Harvard Wagon Co.
 Harwich Electric Company, The
 Hatchard Ice Company
 Haverhill Base Ball and Athletic Association
 Haverhill Supply Company
 Hayes & Scott Ice Company, Inc.
 "Healthurst" (Inc.)
 Hellenic Tobacco Company
 Henderson & Shaw, Incorporated
 Herman Levy Company
 Herrick Aiken Company
 Hesse Motion Picture Machine Company
 Hibernia Realty Company of Boston, Massachusetts
 High Head Cranberry Company
 Highland Ave. Garage, Inc.
 Highland Foundry Company
 Hills Chair-Couch Manufacturing Company
 Hills-McCarthy Company
 Hinkley Manufacturing Company
 Hoffman Specialty Company
 Holbrook Manufacturing Company, The
 Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Com-
 pany
 Holyoke Paper Products Company
 Home Cloak and Suit Company, The
 Homestake Development Company
 Household Manufacturing Company
 Howard, Barksdale Brothers Company, The
 Howe Stove and Furniture Exchange, Incorporated
 Howes Real Estate Company, The
 Hub Confectionery and S. & K. Cream Taffy Company
 Huberman Oil Company
 Hugh Cairns Company
 Humanology Film Producing Company, The
 Hunt Room Registry Inc.
 Huntington Employment and Reference Association
 Inc.
 Hurlburt, Johnson Company
 I. M. Taylor & Co., Inc.
 Imperial Motor Car Company
 Imported Grocery Company
 Importers Tea and Coffee Company, Inc.
 Independent Street Lighting Company

Certain
 corporations
 dissolved.

Certain
corporations
dissolved.

Innovation Publishing Company
 International Legal Service Corporation, The
 International Merchants & Manufacturers Protective
 Association, Inc.
 Interstate Farming Company
 Interstate Publishing Company
 Iris Lunch Company
 Isle of Pines Plantations Co.
 Isle of Pines Products Co.
 J. B. Wain Company
 J. E. Paris Company
 J. G. Bridge Company
 J. H. Farris Corporation
 J. H. Upham Co.
 J. H. White Company
 J. J. Bosdan Tobacco Co.
 J. J. Moore & Company, Inc.
 J. K. & B. Sears Co.
 J. P. Steele Grain Company
 J. S. Sieve Millinery Co.
 Jackson Plumbing and Heating Company
 Jackson Square Dairy, Inc.
 Jamaica Chemical Company
 Jamaica Plain Security Co.
 James E. Gaffney Contracting Company, Incorporated
 James E. Loudon & Co., Inc.
 James F. Shaw and Company, Incorporated
 James J. Coughlan Construction Company
 James McGregor, Inc.
 James P. Stewart Coal Company
 Jay Chocolate Company
 Jenkins & Anderson Shoe Co.
 John Babcock & Company, Incorporated
 John Besdam Company, The
 John Cusolito Company
 John H. Fitzgerald Company
 John J. Hall, Inc.
 John J. Lyons Co.
 John Maloney Grocery Company
 John P. Corbett Company
 Johnson Lobster Company
 Johnson's Creamery Company
 Jones & Erwin Co. Inc.
 Jordan's Foot Remedy Company

Kahler-Bryant Shoe Company
 Kent Company, Inc.
 Kent Manufacturing Company
 Kent-Robeson Talking Machine Company
 Kenworthy Brothers Company (1911)
 Keystone Farm Machinery Company
 Kimball Aeroplane Company
 King Joy Company
 Kinorama Company, The
 Kinsman and Campbell Company
 Kollen Importing Company
 Koonz Manufacturing Company, The
 Koritzky Trading Company
 Kozy Slipper Company
 Kurkjian Bros. Inc.
 L. A. Williamson Company
 L. B. B. Faucet Company
 L. E. Sanborn Company
 L. N. Moquin's Co.
 L. P. Pond Drug Co.
 Labelle Gas Regulator Company
 Lake Pearl Auto Club Inn Inc.
 Lakeside Construction Company
 Lamson & Hubbard Company (Org. Mar. 27, 1916)
 Lane & Co. Corporation
 Lawler Mf'g. Co.
 Lawrence & Stanley Co.
 Lawrence Candy Manufacturing Company
 Lawrence Dry Goods Store, Incorporated
 Leary Muffler Sales Company, The
 L'Echo Publishing Company
 Lee Creamery Co-operative Association
 Lenox Hotel Company
 Leonard Lumber Co.
 Lester Lonergan & Co. Inc.
 Lewis Leather Company
 Lincoln Engraving Company
 Lithuanian Cooperative Association of East Cambridge,
 Inc.
 Local Stores, Inc.
 Loew's Boston Theatres Company, The
 Logan-Jackson Company
 London Furniture Company
 London Raincoat Company

Certain
 corporations
 dissolved.

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corporations
dissolved.

London Tea Company, The
 Lopas Company, The
 Loraine Detective System, Inc.
 Loring Avenue Garage Company
 Loring-Axtell Company (1904)
 Lothrop Co.
 Louis Bassill Company
 Louis E. Merry Company
 Lovejoy-McGrail Company
 Lowell Commercial College, Incorporated, The
 Loyal Supply Co., Inc.
 Luncheon Company, The
 Lynn License Association, Inc.
 Lynn Motor Cycle Co.
 Lynn Storage Company
 Lyons Hotel Company of Massachusetts, The
 M. A. Crossman Company, The
 M. B. Paige Company
 M. C. M. Garage, Inc.
 M. Connell Co. Inc.
 M. E. Willson Company
 Macduff Construction Company, The
 MacMulkin Inc.
 Mme. Izetta, Inc.
 Madam Whitney Toilet Co.
 Made in New England Profit Sharing Coupon Com-
 pany
 Maguire Realty Company, The
 Mahogany Spa Inc.
 Mail and Courier Publishing Company
 Main Provision Company, Inc., The
 Malden Jitney Company
 Manchester Amusement Company
 Manchester Base Ball Association Inc.
 Mandell Williams Company
 Mansfield Baking Company
 Mansfield Drug Company
 Mansfield Gas Company
 Marie Antoinette Candy Company, Incorporated
 Marlborough Athletic Association, Inc., The
 Marshfield Garage, Inc.
 Martin Shoe Company
 Mason & Parker Manufacturing Company
 Mass. Builders' Finish Company

Massachusetts Carburizing Company
 Massachusetts Development & Ranching Co.
 Massachusetts Fan Company
 Massachusetts Fiberform Company
 Massachusetts Mortgage and Realty Corporation
 Massachusetts Motor Sales Co.
 Massachusetts Plumbers Woodwork Manufacturing Co.
 Massachusetts Rag and Paper Manufacturing Com-
 pany
 Massachusetts Thread Works, Inc.
 Master Combination Lock Co.
 Maverick Iron Works Incorporated
 Maxin Manufacturing Company
 Mayo Brothers Construction Company
 McArthur Bros. Co.
 McCallion Transfer Company
 McDonald Ross Company
 McDonald Rubber Company
 McDowell Hat Shop, Inc.
 McFadden Company
 McLean, Black & Co., Inc.
 McManus Pharmacy, Inc.
 McNaull Tire Company of Massachusetts, The
 Mechanics Home Restaurant, Inc.
 Meek Oven Company, The
 Melrose Trading Company
 Merchandise Supply Company
 Merchants' Finance Company
 Merchants Mercantile Corporation
 Merg Engineering Company
 Merrill & Eigner Co.
 Merrill Chair & Manufacturing Company
 Merrill Publishing Company
 Merrimac Construction Company
 Merrimac Shoe Co.
 Merrimac Valley Power and Buildings Company
 Metropolitan Advertising Company
 Metropolitan Express Company, The
 Metropolitan Film Co.
 Metropolitan Steamship Company, The
 Middlesex Contracting Company
 Milford Amusement Company
 Military Press Association, Inc.
 Millen & Williamson Company

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Millers River Power Company
 Milton Tire & Rubber Co.
 Mitchell Baking Company
 Model Market Co., The
 Modern Cloak & Suit Company, The
 Mohawk Motor Car Co.
 Molassine Company of America
 Monumental Memorial and Burial Company, Incorporated
 Morton-Sawyer Co.
 Moses Coulee Ranch Company
 Motor Carousel Company
 Motor-Economy Company, The
 Motor Industry Appliance Company
 Mould Shoe Company, The
 Mount Holyoke Company
 Mount Hope Manufacturing Company
 Mount Pleasant Healthatorium Incorporated
 Multi Shoe Cover Company
 Multiple Utility Company, The
 Murphy Boot and Shoe Company
 Murphy Cone Co., The
 Mutual Candy Company
 Mutual Drug Co.
 Mutual Profit Sharers, Inc.
 Mutual Protective Association of America, (Inc.)
 Mutual Shoe Company, The
 N. D. Dodge & Bliss Co.
 N. E. Trade Publishing Company
 N. W. Bacon Company
 N. Z. Graves & Co., Boston Branch Incorporated
 Nantasket Bottling Works, Inc.
 Natick Steel Equipment Company
 National Advertisers Motion Picture Weekly Inc.
 National Automatic Machine Company
 National Crash Mfg. Co.
 National Electric Company
 National Fruit Products Company
 National Manufacturing Company, (1874)
 National Power Appliances Co.
 National Printing Machinery Company
 National Service Corporation
 National Steel and Bronze Corporation
 National Tack Co., Inc.

National Trade Exchange Inc., The
 Naumkeag Credit Company
 Neapolitan Wine and Importing Company
 Ned-Yah Mfg. Company
 Nesbitt School of Languages, Inc., The
 New Bedford Amusement Company
 New Bedford Bobbin Company
 New Canton Company
 New Casino Motion Picture Company, The
 New England Agency, Incorporated, The
 New England Amusement and Entertainment Co., The
 New England Autovacuum Refrigerating Company
 New England Converting Company
 New England Educational Association Incorporated
 New England Egg and Poultry Company
 New England Extract Co.
 New England Fireproof Homes Company
 New England Kriterion Film Service, Inc.
 New England Mercantile Co.
 New England Merchants Advertising Service Corporation
 New England Millinery Company
 New England Office Furniture Company
 New England Overall Company
 New England Phosphate Company
 New England Poultry Corporation
 New England Powder Company
 New England Shoe Company
 New England Specialties Company
 New England Theatres Company
 New Home Realty Company
 New Rockland Hotel Company
 New System Wet Wash & Laundry Co.
 New York & New England Fuel Economizer Company
 New York Bargain House, Inc.
 New York Credit Co.
 New York Egg & Fruit Co.
 Newburyport Fish Cold Storage Company
 Newell, Inc.
 Newton Natural Ice Company, Inc.
 Newton Transportation Company
 Nixon Ranch Co.
 No Ro Motor Works Inc.
 Non-Carbon Paper Company, Inc., The

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Norcross Automobile Company, The
 Norcross-Reynolds Mausoleum & Construction Co.
 North Cambridge Theatre Company
 North Main Market Company
 North Shore Steamboat Company
 Northampton Hosiery Company
 Northampton Produce Company
 Northlando Supply Company
 Norton Water Motor Company
 Norwood Scott Company
 "Novak" Acetylene Apparatus Mfg. Co.
 Novelty Thread Mills, Inc.
 Noyes Manufacturing Company
 Noyes-Randall Company
 Oak Street Garage Incorporated
 Ocean Pier Company
 Office Specialties De Luxe, Incorporated
 Office Specialty Company
 Oglesby Motor Car Company
 Old Colony Chemical Company
 Old Colony Cut Glass Works, Inc.
 Old Colony Products Company
 Old Colony Wharf Company
 Olympia Hotel Co.
 Olympic Theatre Company (1910)
 Orent & Co., Incorporated
 Orent Payson Co.
 Orient Importing Co., Ltd.
 Orswell Electric Company
 Otis F. Putnam Company
 Oulford Company, The
 Oulton Motor & Manufacturing Company
 Outlook Real Estate Corporation, The
 Overland-Winton Sales Company
 Oxford Fibre Company
 P. Creedon Company
 P. Crown Company
 Pach Bros. Inc.
 Pacific Auto Company
 Pacific Coast Lumber Company
 Packard Auto Renting Company
 Page Motor Company of Worcester
 Pamott Mines Company, The
 Pan American Securities Corporation

Paragon Paint and Varnish Company
 Paris Store Company, The
 Park Avenue and 55th Street Corporation
 Parker Hill Clinic, Inc.
 Parker Transmission and Appliance Company
 Parsons Manufacturing Company
 Pathe Shop of New Haven Inc.
 Paul Revere Silver Company
 Paul Revere Trust Company
 Paul Wood Company
 Paulcrow Inventions, Inc., The
 Pearson Engineering Company
 Peat Products Company
 Peerless Specialty Company
 Pennsylvania Oil Company
 Peoples Cash Stamp Company
 People's Department Store Inc., The
 People's Real Estate and Investment Company
 Peoples Theatre Inc.
 Percy C. Guy Audit Company
 Percy Ford Company
 Perfection Manufacturing Company
 Perkins Lace Company
 Perry & Ayers (Incorporated)
 Phelps Bros. Co.
 Philip Slater Company
 Phillips Manufacturing Company
 Phillips Music Company
 Philpot Contracting Company
 Phototone Company
 Piedmont Company, The
 Pier Fish Company Inc.
 Pierce Labeling Machine Company
 Pierson Pharmacy Company, The
 Pilgrim Fathers' Hall Association
 Pilgrim Theatre Company
 Piller-Edwards Company
 Pitchfork Land and Cattle Corporation
 Pittsfield Journal Company
 Pittsfield Theater Company
 Pittsford Electric Light and Power Company, The
 Place Brothers, Incorporated
 Pleasant Street Pharmacy, Inc.
 Plummer & Jennings Grain Co.

Certain
 corporations
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Plymouth Seam Face Granite Company
 Plymouth Theatrical Company
 Polish Union, Incorporated
 Potter's Stables Incorporated
 Powell & Mendes, Inc.
 Powers-Dundas Company
 Practical Tailors, Inc.
 Prescott-Adams Table Co.
 Press Engraving Company
 Priest & Company Inc.
 Prior, Clarke Company
 Progressive Co-operative Association
 Progressive Coöperative League of Malden, Inc., The
 Progressive Manufacturing Company
 Property Owners Protective Association Inc.
 Providence Scenic Theatre Company
 Prudential Realty Company, The
 Publishers Binding and Mailing Co.
 Puritan Coöperative Club, Incorporated
 Puritan Loan and Investment Association
 Puritan Motor Supply Company
 Puritan Silver Black Fox Company
 Puritan Wire Nail Company
 Pyrene Company of New England
 Q. A. S. Comedy Co.
 Queen Manufacturing Company, Inc.
 Quincy Market Restaurant Company
 Quinsig News Company
 R & R Investment Company
 R & R Mfg. Co., The
 R. M. Rubin Company
 Railway Signal Sales Company
 Randell Envelope Company
 Randolph Fire Works Company, The
 Real Property Company, Inc.
 Realty Investment Co.
 Realty Protective Co., Inc.
 Reed Cyclone Pump Company
 Reed Shoe Company
 Reenforced Inner-Tube Company
 Rendezvous Company, The
 Republic Motor Truck Company of Boston
 Revere Amusement Company
 Revere Beach Amusement and Construction Company

Reynolds-Chellman Electric Co.
 Reynolds Oil & Supply Company
 Rhode Island Glove Manufacturing Company
 Richard F. Barry Company
 Richard O. Harding Company, The
 Rice Bros. Brewing Association
 Riegel-Richards Company, The
 Ring Brush Company
 Roach-Webber Company
 Robert Wilson Company, The
 Roberts Jewelry Co.
 Robeson Preservo Products Company of Massachusetts
 Rockingham Fair, Inc.
 Rogers-Smith Company (Org. June, 1916)
 Rollaway Screen Company
 Roller Saddle Attachment Company
 Rourke-Martin Company
 Roxbury Stable Company
 Royal Dairy Lunch Company
 Royal Furniture Company
 Royal Silver Black Fox Co.
 Royal Transmitter Company, The
 Russell Falls Company
 Russell Lunch Company
 S & B Amusement Company, The
 S. C. Follansbee Company
 S. Czapas Clock Company
 St. Louis Rubber Company
 St. Louis Skirt Mfg. Co.
 Salem Builders Supply Co.
 Salem Newspaper Company
 Salem Woodworking Co.
 Salisbury Water Company
 Sample Waist and Petticoat Company Inc.
 Sands S. Woodbury Company
 Sanitary Milk Products Company
 Sanitary Paper Cup Company (1912)
 Sanitary Supplies Company
 Saranac Realty Co., The
 Saxon Motor Company of Massachusetts, Inc.
 Saylor and Stewart Co.
 Schapiro-Cone Shoe Co.
 School Street Piano Storage Co.
 Scots-Amo Co.

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Scott Printing Company, The
Sculptural Advertising Company
Searle Manufacturing Company
Sears and Baker Company
Seashore Ice Cream Company
Seaside Taxi Company
Securities Underwriting Company
Seguinland Co., The
Seiniger Publishing Company, The
Sencca Hat Company
Service Specialty Company
Shawmut Construction Company
Shawmut Raincoat Co. Inc.
Shea and Welch Company
Shepard Circular Fabric Company
Shepard, Gourd Company
Shepard Manufacturing Company, The (Melrose)
Sherburne Sugar Company
Sherer Dry Goods Company
Sherriff-Maybush Press, Incorporated
Shimpf Starter Company
Sichel Provision Company
Siegel-Cavanagh Mufg. Co. (Inc.)
Silent Salesman Syndicate, Inc.
Silloway and Vine Shoe Co., Inc., The
Silox Pure Water Company of New England
Simmons Credit Company
Simms and Company, Incorporated
Simplex Faucet Company, The
Simplex Lock Company
Simplex Lubricating Co.
Sinclair Hardware Company
Siro Carburetor Manufacturing Company
Slipon-R.-Slipper Company
Smalley White and Hobbs Incorporated
Smith & Perkins, Inc.
Smith Installation Company
Smith Tire Valve Company
Smith-Wallace Corporation
Society for Americana, Inc., The
Solari Archie Company
Somerset Hat & Rug Co.
Somerville Grocery & Provision Market Inc.
Somerville Publishing Co., Inc., The

Somerville Wood Working Company
 South Boston Coöperative Society
 South End Lumber Company
 South End Motor Car Company
 Sovereign Motor Truck & Service Co.
 Sparrell Print, The
 Spauldings Incorporated
 Specialty Cloak and Skirt Company
 Specialty Sales Company
 Spence & Company, Inc.
 Springfield Arms Company
 Springfield Baking Company
 Springfield Metal Body Company, The
 Springfield Painting and Decorating Company Inc.
 Springfield Rubber Company
 Springfield Transit Company
 Standard Aseptic Laboratories, Inc.
 Standard Auto Valve Company
 Standard Brush Company
 Standard Coal Co.
 Standard Copper Works, Inc.
 Standard Nipple and Threading Company, The
 Standard Patents and Securities Company
 Standard Supply Company Incorporated
 Stanley Amusement Company
 Star Company
 Star Stock Company
 Star Tea, Coffee & Wholesale Grocery Importers, Inc.
 Star Theatres Incorporated
 State of Maine Lumber Co.
 Sterling Brush & Mop Co.
 Sterling Comb Company
 Sterling Whip Company, The
 Stewart & Ireland Company
 Stewart Bottling Company
 Stop Thief Window Lock Company
 Story Simmons Company, The
 Stoughton Gas and Electric Company
 Stoughton Stamping Company
 Strange Manufacturing Company
 Sturgis Jones Last Company
 Stutz Motor Car Company of Boston
 Stutz Motor Service & Auto Repair Company of
 Boston.

Certain
 corporations
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Sub-Target Gun Company
 Suburban Theatres, Incorporated
 Suffolk Square Pharmacy Inc.
 Suffolk Street Garage, Inc.
 Sumner Manufacturing Company
 Sunnymeade Farms Inc.
 Sure Seal Manufacturing Company
 Sutherland Company, Incorporated, The
 Sylvester Bros. Co.
 T. A. Callahan Company
 T. F. Folino Construction Company (Inc.)
 T Wharf Supply and Rental Company
 Taunton Construction Company
 Taunton Crucible Company
 Taunton Evening News
 Taunton Produce Company
 Telepost Company of Massachusetts
 Theall and Bentham Company
 Thissell Company, The
 Thomas J. Hind, Inc.
 Thomas M. Taylor Company
 Thomas O'Brien Company
 Thompson, Dawson Hide-Seasoning Machine Company,
 The
 Tilene Company
 Torpedo Brand Manufacturing Company
 Toy Theater Company, The
 Traders Securities Company
 Tremont Realty Corporation
 Tremont Theatre Publishing Company
 Tremont Worsted Mills
 Trimount Laundry Company
 Trimount Theatre Company
 Tripp Manufacturing Co.
 Tropical Products Company
 Trowbridge Piano Co.
 Tudor Lunch Company
 Turner-Buckley Manufacturing Company, Inc.
 Turner, Tucker & Co., Inc.
 Tutein, Shoules & Clay Co.
 Twentieth Century Dye House, Inc.
 Two-in-One Broom Company
 Tyler-Verrill Manufacturing Co.
 Tyson, Weare & Marshall Co.

Union Barrel Corporation
 Union Delicatessen Stores Company
 Union Desk Co.
 Union Express Company
 Union Fruit and Produce Company
 Union Furniture Company, The (1909)
 Union Glue Company
 Union Grocery Company
 Union Sales Co. Inc.
 Union Seal Company
 Union Trading Stamp Company
 United Amusement Company
 United Bottling Co.
 United Consumers, Inc.
 United Dairy Products Company, The
 United Dress Manufacturing Company
 United Drug Company (1911)
 United Fish Company
 United 5 & 10¢ Stores, Incorporated
 United Fur Manufacturing Company
 United Merchants Corporation
 United Sales Company, Inc.
 United Show Company, Inc.
 United States Agency, Incorporated, The
 United States Electric Generator Company
 United States Rubber Company of New England
 United States Securities Corporation
 United Utilities Company, Incorporated
 Universal Adjustable Saw Company
 Universal Compound Company
 Universal Theatre Company
 Universal Tool Company, The
 V. A. Strout Shoe Company
 Valley Drug Company
 Van Ormer Coal Company
 Vanophone Sales Co.
 Vedoe Tire Inflator Company
 Victor Amusement Company
 Victor Confectionery Company, Inc., The
 W. B. May Company
 W. C. Bates Co.
 W. E. Griffin Company
 W. E. Hoyt Co.
 W. E. Staunton Company

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W. F. Humphreys Co.
 W. H. Ames & Co., Inc.
 W. H. Myron Shoe Company
 W. H. Riddle & Son, Inc.
 W. H. Wilmarth & Co. Corporation
 W. H. Young Company, The
 W. M. Flynn Co., The
 W. P. B. Brooks & Company, Inc.
 W. S. Carr Company
 W. W. Taylor Mfg. Co.
 Wage Earners Loan Association
 Waldorf Hat, Inc., The
 Wales Woolen Company
 Walpole Shoe Supply Company
 Waltham Auto Bus Company
 Waltham Scenic Theatre Company
 Ward, Drouet & Foster, Inc.
 Warren Brookfield and Spencer Street Railway Com-
 pany, The
 Warren D. Church Company
 Warren M. Poorman Company
 Warren N. Lancaster Pen Company
 Washington Sea Grill Co.
 Watertown Cast Stone Company, Incorporated
 Waverly Square Provision Company, Inc.
 Wayland Inn Hotel Company
 Web-Lox Fibre Manufacturing Company
 Webster Auto Delivery Company
 Webster Paper Box Company
 Weco Manufacturing Company (Aug. 14, 1916)
 Wentworth, Fosdick Company
 West Shore Association
 Western Oil and Gasoline Company
 Westfield Brick Company
 Westfield Cigar Company
 Wheeler Estabrook Co.
 White Automobile Co.
 White Mountain Sheep and Land Co.
 Whitman Spinning Company
 Whitmore Company, The
 Whittaker-Burke Company
 Wilbraham Springs Bottling Company
 William A. Slater Mills, Inc.
 William C. Dillon Company, The

William L. Browne Electric Company, The
 Wm. S. Butler & Co. Incorporated
 Williams Street Stable, Incorporated
 Williston H. Collins Company
 Wilson and Shapiro Poultry Company
 Winchester Automobile Company
 Winer's Specialty Store, Inc.
 Winthrop Confectionery Company, Inc.
 Witch City Manufacturing Company
 Wizard Company
 Woburn Tanning Company
 Wolff & Silverman Inc.
 Wollaston Grocery & Provision Co.
 Wonder Last Company, The
 Woodbury Company
 Woodman-Davis Company
 Woodman Lumber Company
 Worcester Autogenous Welding and Construction Com-
 pany, Inc.
 Worcester Leather Supplies Company
 Worcester Piano and Furniture Co.
 Worcester Pressed Steel Pulley Co.
 Workingmen's Protective Association, Inc.
 Worthington Market Company
 Wrentham Gas Company
 Wright Cutter Company
 Wright Manufacturing Company of Springfield
 Wright Metal Action Company
 Wyman Company, The
 Yankee Farm-Tractor Company
 Zinns Flower Shop, Inc.

Certain
 corporations
 dissolved.

CHARITABLE AND OTHER CORPORATIONS.

Abilias Syrian Benevolent and Educational Society
 (Lawrence) Charitable
 and other
 corporations
 dissolved.
 Ahavas Achem (Boston)
 American Hospital and Home for Surgery (Boston)
 American Industrial School Association, The (Chelsea)
 Andover Catholic Benevolent Society
 Ascension Society (Boston)
 Associated Charities of Newton, The
 Association for the Benefit of Needlewomen (Boston)
 Association of the Daughters of Zion (Fall River)

Charitable
and other
corporations
dissolved.

Austrian Benevolent and Military Association (Boston)
 Bakers' Benevolent Society, (Boston)
 Baron Hirsch Benevolent Association (Fall River)
 Baron Hirsch Dispensary and Hospital (Boston)
 Batterman Home and Hospital, The (Boston)
 Benevolent Aid Society for Italian Immigrants (Boston)
 Benevolent Society in Truro
 Berkshire Animal Rescue League (Pittsfield)
 Berkshire Health and Accident Association (Pittsfield)
 Bethel Help Association (Worcester)
 Beth Haven Home for Needy Children (Springfield)
 Beverly Hebrew Ladies Association (Beverly)
 Bohemian Slavonian Benevolent Society (Boston)
 Boston Bichloride of Gold Club, The (Dorchester)
 Boston Deaf Mute Christian Association
 Boston Deaf Mute Mission
 Boston Dramatic and Aid Association, The
 Boston Emigrant Aid and Mining Company
 Boston Eye and Ear Hospital (Boston)
 Boston Eye and Ear Infirmary (Boston)
 Boston Florence Crittenden Home Society, The
 Boston Fuel Savings Institution
 Boston Highlands Young Men's Christian Association
 Boston Industrial Union
 Boston Irish American Benevolent Society
 Boston Ladies Benevolent Association, The
 Boston Lamplighters Benefit Association (Boston)
 Boston Lettonian Society, The
 Boston Medical and Sanitary Bureau, The
 Boston Newsboys Aid Association (Boston)
 Boston-1915 (Inc.) (Boston)
 Boston Polyclinic Hospital, The
 Boston Protestant Employment Bureau, The
 Boston Society for the Protection of Italian Immigrants,
 The
 Boston Spiritual Bethesda (Boston)
 Boston Traveler Charitable Society
 Boston Union Relief Society
 Boston United Hebrew Benevolent Association
 Boys' Gymnasium Club of Nantucket, The
 Boys' Improvement and Industrial Association, The
 (Nantucket)
 Brockton Relief Hospital Association (Brockton)
 Brotherhood of Palestine Aid Association (East Boston)

- Cambridge Coffee House Association
 Cambridge Dispensary
 Cambridge Emergency and General Hospital, The,
 (Cambridge)
 Cambridge Relief Hospital (1905)
 Canton Nursing Association, The
 Carl Hawlicek Borowsky Bohemian Protective Association
 of Boston
 Carolina Industrial School (Boston)
 Catholic Medical Aid and Sanitary Association of West-
 field, Mass., The
 Charitable Tenement Association in the town of Peabody
 Charitable Travelers Sheltering Association, Inc.
 (Lynn)
 Charlestown Free Dispensary and Hospital
 Charlestown Home for Aged Men and Couples
 Charlestown Mechanic Union Charitable Association
 Charlestown St. Mary's Charitable Society
 Charlestown Young Men's Christian Association
 Chautauqua Association (Framingham)
 Chevra Tilim Anshi Chased (Boston)
 Chebra Bikur Chaulim (Hebrew Mutual Relief So-
 ciety) (Boston)
 Chebra Har Moriah, (Society Mount Moriah) (Boston)
 Chelsea Boys' Club Association, The (Chelsea)
 Chelsea Ladies Union Relief Society (Chelsea)
 Chelsea and Vicinity Workingmen's Charitable Co-
 operative Association
 Chesed Shel Emes of Roxbury (Boston)
 Children's Aid Association of Cambridge
 Children's Hope Music House, Inc., The (Boston)
 Children's Missionary Union, (Merrimac)
 Children's Progressive Lyceum Association No. 1 of
 Boston, The
 Columbia Benevolent Society, The (Boston)
 Corporation of the Stoneham Young Men's Christian
 Association, The
 Co-Workers' Fraternity Company, The (Boston)
 Criterion Charitable Association (Boston)
 Culinary Improvement Association of America, The
 (Boston)
 Daughters of Jacob of Fall River
 Dedham Irish Benevolent Society
 Deslon-Dupré Medical Company (Boston)

Charitable
 and other
 corporations
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corporations
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Dorchester Hebrew Helping Hand Association, (Dorchester)

Dorothea Dix Hall Association (Boston)

Duxbury Soldiers Relief Association, The

Eagle Benefit Association, The (Revere)

East Boston Ladies Charitable Society

East Boston Ladies Gmilas Chased Association, The

East Boston Ladies Gmilath Chesed Sel Emeth Association

East Boston Mechanics and Workingmen's Co-operative
Mercantile and Charitable Association

Electro-Physico Therapeutic Society of New England,
The (Boston)

Eliot City Mission Society, in the city of Roxbury

Ella Reed Home (Sharon)

Emil Zola Association (Fall River)

Employee's Emergency Hospital Association (Boston)

Enterprise Benefit Association (Boston)

Epanpande Society, The (Haverhill)

Essex County Helping Hand Society, Number One, The
(Lynn)

Essex County Homœopathic Hospital (Salem)

Essex Union Emergency and General Hospital (Salem)

Everybody's Mission of Lynn (Lynn)

Fairhaven Seamen's Friend Society

Fall River Coffee Tavern Association

Fall River Emergency Hospital

Fall River Gamaleth Chassoden Hebrew Association
(Fall River)

Fall River Hospital

Fall River Young Men's Christian Association

Federation of Jewish Organizations of Massachusetts
(Boston)

First Spiritualist Ladies' Aid Society of Brockton

First Spiritualist Ladies Aid Society of Springfield, The

Fitchburg Union Aid Hospital, The

Framingham Boys' Club Association

Franklin Charitable Society, The (Boston)

Fraternal Home and Hospital (Cambridge)

Frederic Ozanam House Association of Dorchester

Free Boarding House for Orphan and Homeless Children
(Boston)

George Blackburn Hospital, The (Walpole)

Georgetown Women's Benevolent Society

Gloucester Relief Association, The (Gloucester)
 Gloucester Tenement Association (Gloucester)
 God's Poor Fund, Incorporated (Boston)
 Good Samaritan Association, The, (Boston)
 Good Samaritan Society of Worcester, The, (Worcester)
 Good Will Society of the Junction, The (Pittsfield)
 Grace Hospital (Boston)
 Guards of Zion Battalion Aid Association (Boston)
 Gustav Adolph Association of Turners Falls
 Gwynne Temporary Home for Children, The
 Hall of Industry in Boston
 Hebrew Benevolent Association of Roxbury
 Hebrew Emigrant Aid Society of Boston
 Hebrew Ladies Benefit Lodge of East Boston, The
 Hebrew Ladies Benevolent Association of Brockton, The
 Hebrew Ladies Bikur Cholim Association, The, (Boston)
 Hebrew Ladies Free Loan Association, The (Lawrence)
 Hebrew Ladies Helping Hand Association (Boston)
 Hebrew Ladies Sewing Circle (Boston)
 Hebrew Mutual Benefit Association, The (Fall River)
 Hebrew United Brothers of Fall River
 Hellenic Philanthropic Society, The (Boston)
 Helping Hand Sewing Circle, The (Chelsea)
 Helping Hand Temporary Home for Destitute Jewish
 Children (Boston)
 Hibernian Benevolent Society in the city of Boston
 Hibernian Benevolent Society of the U. S. of America
 (Boston)
 Hibernian Friendly Society of Marblehead
 Hogan Association of Brockton
 Holyoke Harmonious Aid Society
 Holyoke Hebrew Gemiles Chesed Society
 Home Training School for Nurses in Fall River, The
 Hospitaller Medical Association (Boston)
 Hospitaller Missionary Association (Boston)
 Howard Benevolent Society of Cambridge
 Howard Industrial School (Cambridge)
 Hydropathic Institute, The (Boston)
 Immanuel Hospital, The (Oxford)
 Imperial Japanese Benevolent Association of Boston,
 Massachusetts, The
 Independent Agudath Achim Ansei Anikst (Chelsea)
 Independent Benevolent Society, at Newburyport
 Independent Bnai Kishineff Association (Boston)

Charitable
and other
corporations
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Independent B'Nai Wolin Association (Boston)
 Independent Dowig Association (Boston)
 Independent Order of Loyal Women, The (Worcester)
 Independent Salvation Army (Salem)
 Independent Tiphereth Jacob of Boston
 In His Name Society (Malden)
 Institute of Heredity, The (Boston)
 International Medical Missionary Society, The (Goshen)
 International Workingpeople's Educational Center, Incorporated (Boston)
 Irish Emigrant Society (Boston)
 Island Hospital and Dispensary, The (Boston)
 Italian Brotherly Union Society of Springfield
 Italian Protective League of Boston, Mass.
 Italian Workmen's Aid Association, The (Boston)
 Jewish Consumptive Relief Society of Massachusetts, The (Boston)
 Kalvarian Aid Association, The (Boston)
 Karel Havlicek Hall Association (W. Springfield)
 King's Daughters and Sons Hospital Company of New England (Chicopee)
 Knights of Pythias Relief Association, The (Boston)
 Komenitz Podolsk Benevolent Association (Boston)
 Kurlaender Yunger Maenner Unterstuetzung Verein (Boston)
 Ladies Aid Association of the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital (Boston)
 Ladies Baptist Association of West Newton, Mass.
 Ladies Board of the Marlborough Hospital, The
 Ladies Gemileth Chesed Society of Chelsea (Chelsea)
 Ladies League of the Brockton Veteran Firemen Association
 Ladies Spiritualistic Industrial Society, The (Boston)
 Lakeside Improvement and Social Club
 Lawrence Hebrew Weavers Benevolence Associations (Lawrence)
 Lawrence Irish Benevolent Society, in the city of Lawrence
 Lawrence Italian Club
 Lawrence Loom Fixers Association
 Lawrence Nursery (Lawrence)
 Linath Hazedek Association of East Boston
 Lithuanian Saint Kazimir Benefit Society, The (Haverhill)

Lowell Irish Benevolent Society
 Lynn Boys Club
 Lynn District Epworth Associates, The (Wakefield)
 Lynn Hebrew Ladies Aid Association
 Lynn Hebrew Ladies' Helping-Hand Society, The
 (Lynn)
 Lynn Hebrew Protective Association
 Lynn Hospital Association
 Lynn Lasters' Aid Association, The
 Lynn Workingmen's Aid Association, in the city of Lynn
 Marblehead Marine Society, The
 Marblehead New England Industrial Home
 Maritime Provincial Association, The (Boston)
 Marketmen's Relief Association, The (Boston)
 Massachusetts Children's Protective Society (Boston)
 Massachusetts Deaf Mute Christian Association (Boston)
 Massachusetts Emigrant Aid Company (Boston)
 Massachusetts English Cottage Hospital (Boston)
 Massachusetts Fraternal and Benevolent Union (Boston)
 Massachusetts Industrial Settlement, The (Cambridge
 and Boston)
 Massachusetts Society for the aid of Emigrants
 Maternity, The (Boston)
 Mechanics and Workingmen's Charitable Cooperative
 Association of East Boston
 Mechanics and Workingmen's Cooperative Mercantile
 and Charitable Association No. 2 of East Boston and
 Vicinity
 Medford Visiting Nurse Association (Medford)
 Medical and Sanitary Aid Association, The (Westfield)
 Medical Attendance & Supply Company, The (Lowell)
 Melrose Board of Associated Charities
 Memorial Trust (Incorporated), The (Boston)
 Meonah Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls and
 Women, The (Boston)
 Meretz Progressive Association, The (Boston)
 Methuen Humane Society
 Metropolitan Visiting Nursing Association, The (Chelsea)
 Middlesex Hospital and Dispensary, The (Cambridge)
 Millet Sanatorium, Incorp. (East Bridgewater)
 Mirjams Benevolent Daughters of Boston
 Montefiore Home and Aid Society of Boston

Charitable
 and other
 corporations
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Charitable
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corporations
dissolved.

Morning Star Beneficial Society of New Bedford
Musicians Aid Society (Boston)
Mutual Medical Relief Association, The (Boston)
National Boys Club Association, The (Springfield)
National Welfare Society (Boston)
New Bedford Coffee House Company, The
New Bedford General Hospital
New England Convalescent Rest Home, The (Boston)
New England Country Home for Orphan and Homeless
Children (Winchendon)
New England Emigration Company (Boston)
New England Hahnemann Association, The (Boston)
New England Helping Hand Society (Boston)
New England Masonic Relief Association (Holyoke)
New England Skin and Cancer Hospital and Dispensary,
The (Boston)
New Hotel Help Association, The (Boston)
Norfolk Dispensary Association (Boston)
North End Hebrew Benevolent Association (Boston)
Old Ladies Rest Association, The (Boston)
Olette Relief Association (Boston)
Open Air Camps Incorporated (Boston)
Open Door, The (Lowell)
Ostre Hebrew Marsho Society (Boston)
Parental Home Association, The (Boston)
Park and Downs Union Society (Quincy)
Particular Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
of Holyoke, Mass., The
Paul Humane Society (Boston)
Peace Society, The (Fall River)
Pentecostal Home Association (Cambridge)
Polish Charitable Home (Boston)
Polonnoe Helping Society (Boston)
Portland Benevolent Society, The
Portland Marine Society, The
Portuguese League of Assistance to the Consumptives
(New Bedford)
Pride of Copaigorod, Inc. (Boston)
Pride of Israel of Ansha Asheshok (Boston)
Prison Discipline Society (Boston)
Protective Home Association, The (Boston)
Protestant Episcopal School of the Diocese of Massa-
chusetts, for Orphan Boys (Boston)
Provident Medical Society of Massachusetts (Boston)

Provident Wood Yard Corporation, (Boston)
 Public Hospital of Hyde Park, The (Boston)
 Ramabai Association, The (Boston)
 Receiver Untershtizung Ferein (Boston)
 Red Cross Bureau, The (Boston)
 Red Cross Hospital Association (Chelsea)
 Relation Aid Association (Boston)
 Religious Charitable Society in the County of Worcester,
 The
 Revere District Nursing Association, The (Revere)
 Revere Firemen's Relief and Charitable Association
 (Revere)
 Rindge Hospital, The (Cambridge)
 Riverside Neighborhood House Association, The (Cam-
 bridge)
 Rockport Hospital Association (Rockport)
 Rockport Irish Benevolent Society
 Rose and Thistle Club, The (Adams)
 Roslindale Boys' Club Association (Boston)
 Round Hill Water Cure Retreat (Northampton)
 Roxbury Aid Society (Boston)
 Roxbury House Association
 Russian Ladies Aid Association (Boston)
 St. Anne's Infant Asylum and Lying-in Hospital
 (Boston)
 Saint Casimir Benevolent Society (Lynn)
 St. Francis De Sales Society of Charlestown
 Société Saint-Jean Baptiste de la Ville de Holyoke, La
 St. John the Baptist Benevolent Society of Lowell, Mass.
 (Lowell)
 St. Joseph's Benevolent Society (Lawrence)
 St. Joseph's Benevolent Society of Lowell
 St. Mary's Lying-in Hospital (Boston)
 St. Mary's Male Orphan Asylum (Lowell)
 Saint Mary's Orphanage (Lowell)
 St. Mary's School and Asylum (Dedham)
 Saint Omer Hospital Corporation (Boston)
 St. Patrick's Benevolent Society (Cambridge)
 Saint Patrick's Religious, Educational and Charitable
 Association of Massachusetts (Watertown)
 St. Stanslaus Society (Fall River)
 Sailors' Snug Harbor and Old Man's Home in Salem
 Salem Nurses Benefit Association
 Salem Seaman's Bethel Society (Salem)

Charitable
 and other
 corporations
 dissolved.

Charitable
and other
corporations
dissolved.

Salem Society of Deaf Mutes
 Salem Society for the Moral & Religious Instruction of
 the Poor
 Samaritan Asylum for Indigent Children (Boston)
 Sandy Maloney Midnight Mission, Inc. (Boston)
 Sashkover Untershtizung Ferain (Boston)
 Scandinavia Society (Gloucester)
 Sea Shore Home (Boston)
 Seamen's Bethel Relief Society (Boston)
 Seventh Day Adventist Mutual Aid Corporation, The
 (Lancaster)
 Shaw Institute or Asylum for Mariners Children (Boston)
 Sheltering Arms, The (Lowell)
 Sisters of Charity of the House of Providence (Holyoke)
 Slavuta Aid Association (Boston)
 Smorgon Aid Association, The (Boston)
 Society Ahabath Achim Ansey Krakanova (Boston)
 Société de Bienfaisance St. Jean Baptiste de South-
 bridge, Mass.
 Society for Burial of the Poor, of Roxbury (Boston)
 Society for employing the Female Poor (Boston)
 Società Italiana di Mutuo Soccorso e Beneficenza Palma
 Augusta (Boston)
 Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in
 Newburyport, The
 Society for the Reduction of Infant Mortality (Boston)
 Société de Bienfaisance Saint Jean-Baptiste de Mill-
 bury, Mass.
 Society for the relief of Aged Women in Salem
 Society for the Relief of the Sick Poor of Roxbury, The
 Société Saint Jean-Baptiste de Fall River
 Société Saint Jean-Baptiste de Secours Mutuel of Boston
 Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Particular Council of
 Lynn (Lynn)
 Society Sons of David (Boston)
 Societa Venezia di Mutuo Soccorso (Springfield)
 Somerville Charity Club, The
 Somerville Guild of Somerville, Massachusetts, The
 South Boston Charitable Workingmen's Association
 South Boston Hebrew Association
 Springfield City Hospital
 Standard Company of Actors, The (Boston)
 Stoklesok Aid Association (Boston)

- Street Cleaning Department Employees Protective Association, The (Boston)
- Students Home Association, The (Boston)
- Supreme Employment Bureau, The (Worcester)
- Swedish Young Women's Benevolent Association (Boston)
- Tailors' Benevolent Society (Boston)
- Temple of Honor Beneficial Association of Massachusetts (Worcester)
- Union Charitable Society in Salem
- Union for Christian Work
- Union St. Jean Baptiste of Fitchburg, Mass.
- Union Veteran Army and Mutual Aid Association, The (Boston)
- United Brothers Sick Support Society, The (Plymouth)
- United Hebrew Iron Workers Association (Boston)
- United Hebrew Workers' Aid Association, The (Peabody)
- United Hospital and Dispensary (Boston)
- United Sisters of America (Boston)
- United Sons of Jacob (Fall River)
- United Syrian Charitable Society (Boston)
- Universal Faculty Rupture Cure Company (Boston)
- Uxbridge Hibernian Benevolent Aid Society
- Veteran Spiritualists Union (Boston)
- Victorian Diamond Festival Association, The (Boston)
- Vineyard Haven Sanatorium, The (Tisbury)
- Wage Earners' Emergency and General Co-operative Hospital Association, The (Boston)
- Walon Leimu (Rockport)
- Walpole Boys' Club
- Waltham Boys P. M. M. Club, The
- Waltham Hebrew Association
- Waltham Invalid Aid Association, The (Waltham)
- Waltham Young Men's Christian Union
- Washingtonian Society (Pembroke)
- Webster Hall Association, The (Mansfield)
- West End Gemilath Chesed Association (Boston)
- West End Ladies Aid Association (Boston)
- White Cross Aid and Hospital Association (Boston)
- Whitefield Home for Indigent Children, The (Cambridge)
- William Lloyd Garrison Memorial Association and Home for Aged Persons, The (Boston)

Charitable
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dissolved.

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dissolved.

Wilno Ladies Somech Noflim Association (Boston)
 Winchester Hospital, The (Winchester)
 Woman's Charitable Association of the Methodist Epis-
 copal Church of New England, The (Boston)
 Women's Economical Garden Homestead League (Bos-
 ton)
 Women's Educational and Industrial Society (Fall River)
 Worcester Hebrew Gmiled Chased Society (Worcester)
 Worcester Home for Consumptives Corporation
 Worcester Homeopathic Hospital and Dispensary Asso-
 ciation
 Worcester Saint Andrews Benefit Society
 Workers Co-operative Association, The (Boston)
 Workers' Guild, The (Boston)
 Working People's Aid Society, The (Boston)
 World in Boston, Inc., The (Boston)
 Young Ladies Ostrow Marshoha Mevaker Cheliem As-
 sociation (Boston)
 Young Men's Benevolent Society (Boston)
 Young Men's Christian Association of Chicopce Massa-
 chusetts, The
 Young Men's Christian Association of Cliftdale, The
 (Saugus)
 Young Men's Christian Association of Clinton, Massa-
 chusetts, The
 Young Mens Christian Association of Leominster Mas-
 sachusetts, The
 Young Men's Christian Association of Methuen, The
 Young Men's Christian Association of Nahant
 Young Men's Christian Association of Waltham, Massa-
 chusetts, The
 Young Men's Christian Association of Watertown, Mas-
 sachusetts, The
 Young Mens Christian Association of Westboro', Mass.
 Young Mens Hebrew Association of Medford
 Young Women's Christian Association of Nantucket,
 The
 Young Women's Christian Association of Waltham,
 Massachusetts
 Young Womens Hebrew Charitable Association (Boston)
 Young Women's Phillis Wheatley Union, The (Boston)
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SECTION 2. Nothing in this act shall be construed to affect any suit now pending by or against any corporation mentioned herein, or any suit now pending or hereafter brought for any liability now existing against the stockholders or officers of any such corporation, or to revive any charter previously annulled or any corporation previously dissolved, or to make valid any defective organization of any of the supposed corporations mentioned herein.

Pending suits not affected, etc.

SECTION 3. Suits upon choses in actions arising out of contracts sold or assigned by any corporation dissolved by this act may be brought or prosecuted in the name of the purchaser or assignee. The fact of sale or assignment and of purchase by the plaintiff shall be set forth in the writ or other process; and the defendant may avail himself of any matter of defense of which he might have availed himself in a suit upon the claim by the corporation, had it not been dissolved by this act.

Proceedings in suits upon choses in actions, how brought, etc.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 8, 1917.

[1913, 703; 1916, 191, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATING TO THE WIDENING OF BRIDGE STREET IN THE CITY OF SALEM.

Chap. 158

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section four of chapter seven hundred and three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "commissioners", in the sixth line, and by inserting in place thereof the words:— shall reimburse said city on account of said expense in such amount as the county commissioners may determine, not exceeding however forty per cent of the expense, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 4.* Upon the completion of the said work, the said city shall file in the office of the county commissioners for the county of Essex, a detailed statement certified by the city council of Salem, of the actual expense of the said widening, including the costs of construction and land damages; and upon such filing the county commissioners shall reimburse said city on account of said expense in such amount as the county commissioners may determine, not exceeding however forty per cent of the expense.

1913, 703, § 4. amended.

City of Salem to be partially reimbursed for expense of widening Bridge street.

1913, 703, § 8,
amended.

City of Salem
Bridge Street
Loan,
Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. Said chapter seven hundred and three is hereby further amended by striking out section eight and inserting in place thereof the following:— *Section 8.* The city, for the purpose of paying any expenses or liability incurred by it under this act and for the purpose of paying any notes which have already, or may hereafter be issued by the city in payment of expenses incurred hereunder, may issue from time to time bonds or notes to such an amount as may be required not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, City of Salem Bridge Street Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within ten years from its date; and the amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The said securities shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer of the city and countersigned by the mayor. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purpose herein specified.

Certain
authority
rescinded.

SECTION 3. The authority conferred on the said city by said chapter seven hundred and three to take more land than was needed for widening Bridge street is hereby rescinded, the authority not having been exercised.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 8, 1917.

[1881, 169; 1884, 182; 1886, 200; 1887, 49; 1888, 406; 1890, 144, 146; 1892, 182; 1893, 377; 1897, 144; 1900, 278; 1906, 152; 1908, 93, 113; 1911, 16, 197; 1912, 314, 374; 1913, 387.]

Chap. 159 AN ACT RELATIVE TO PRIMARY ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF
MALDEN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1912, 314, § 12,
etc., amended.

Section twelve of chapter three hundred and fourteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, as amended by section two of chapter three hundred and eighty-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:— *provided, however,* that if at the expiration of the

time for filing statements of candidates to be voted for at any city primary election not more than twice as many such statements have been filed with the city clerk for the office of mayor or school committee as there are persons to be elected to said offices respectively, then the candidates whose statements have thus been filed shall be deemed to have been nominated for said offices respectively, and their names shall be used at such annual or special city election, and the city clerk shall not print said names upon the ballot to be used at said primary election, and no other nomination or nominations for said offices shall be made. And if in any ward at the expiration of the time for filing statements of candidates to be voted for at any city primary election not more than twice as many such statements have been filed with the city clerk for the offices of alderman or councilman as there are persons to be elected to said offices respectively, then the candidates whose statements have thus been filed shall be deemed to have been nominated for said offices respectively, and their names shall be printed on the official ballot to be used at such annual or special city election, and the city clerk shall not print said names upon the ballot to be used at said primary election, and no other nominations for said offices shall be made. And if it shall appear that no names are to be printed upon the official ballot to be used at any city primary election in any ward or wards of the city, then no primary election shall be held in any such ward or wards, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 12.* The two persons receiving at a city primary election the highest number of votes for nomination for an office shall be the candidates and the only candidates for that office whose names shall be printed on the official ballots to be used at the annual or special city election for the making of nominations for which said city primary election was held, and if two or more persons are to be elected to the same office at such annual or special city election the several persons to a number equal to twice the number so to be elected receiving at such city primary election the highest number of votes for nomination for that office, or all such persons, if less than twice the number of those so to be elected, shall be the candidates and the only candidates for that office whose names shall be printed on the official ballots to be used at the annual or special city election.

Persons receiving highest number of votes at primaries in Malden to be candidates at election.

If the primary election results in a tie vote among candidates for nomination receiving the smallest number of votes,

Tie vote.

Proviso.

which, but for the tie vote, would entitle the person receiving such number to have his name printed upon the official ballots for the election, all candidates participating in said tie vote shall have their names printed upon the official ballots, although thereby there be printed upon them candidates to a number exceeding twice the number to be elected: *provided, however*, that if at the expiration of the time for filing statements of candidates to be voted for at any city primary election not more than twice as many such statements have been filed with the city clerk for the office of mayor or school committee as there are persons to be elected to said offices respectively, then the candidates whose statements have thus been filed shall be deemed to have been nominated for said offices respectively, and their names shall be used at such annual or special city election, and the city clerk shall not print said names upon the ballot to be used at said primary election, and no other nomination or nominations for said offices shall be made. And if in any ward at the expiration of the time for filing statements of candidates to be voted for at any city primary election not more than twice as many such statements have been filed with the city clerk for the offices of alderman or councilman as there are persons to be elected to said offices respectively, then the candidates whose statements have thus been filed shall be deemed to have been nominated for said offices respectively, and their names shall be printed on the official ballot to be used at such annual or special city election, and the city clerk shall not print said names upon the ballot to be used at said primary election, and no other nominations for said offices shall be made. And if it shall appear that no names are to be printed upon the official ballot to be used at any city primary election in any ward or wards of the city, then no primary election shall be held in any such ward or wards.

Approved March 8, 1917.

[1917, 180, Spec.]

Chap. 160 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO THE WIDOW OF JOHN A. MULLEN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston
may pay an
annuity to
widow of John
A. Mullen.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay to the widow of John A. Mullen, who was for many years chief of the fire department of said city, an annuity

not exceeding three hundred dollars, payable in equal monthly instalments, so long as she remains unmarried.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, that such acceptance and approval occur prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

To be submitted to city council, etc.
Proviso.

Approved March 8, 1917.

[Accepted March 27, 1917.]

[1891, 199; 1897, 171; 1905, 76.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE STREET TRUST COMPANY
TO HOLD REAL ESTATE.

Chap. 161

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The State Street Trust Company, incorporated by chapter one hundred and ninety-nine of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, under the name of the State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company which was changed to the present name, by chapter one hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, is hereby authorized to hold real estate in the city of Boston, suitable for the transaction of its business, to an amount not exceeding one million five hundred thousand dollars in value.

State Street Trust Company may hold real estate.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 10, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE
OF THE LYMAN SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Chap. 162

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding one hundred thirty-seven thousand five hundred and eighty dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the Lyman school for boys, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Appropriation. Lyman school for boys.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

Chap.163 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE
OF THE RUTLAND STATE SANATORIUM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations,
Rutland state
sanatorium.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, for the maintenance of the Rutland state sanatorium, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

From the receipts of said sanatorium now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of fifty-seven thousand five hundred forty-six dollars and sixty-two cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding one hundred forty-three thousand four hundred fifty-three dollars and thirty-eight cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

Chap.164 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE
OF THE NORTH READING STATE SANATORIUM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, North
Reading state
sanatorium.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, for the maintenance of the North Reading state sanatorium, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

From the receipts of said sanatorium now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of twenty-nine thousand four hundred twenty dollars and seventy-nine cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding seventy-three thousand seventy-nine dollars and twenty-one cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

Chap.165 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE
OF THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
industrial
school for boys.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding eighty-seven thousand three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, to be

paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the industrial school for boys, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

[1916, 261, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PREFERENTIAL VOTING AT CITY ELECTIONS IN NEWTON. *Chap. 166*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section four of chapter two hundred and sixty-one of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by inserting after the word "express", in the fifteenth line, the words:— *provided, however,* that when there are but three candidates for any office, the ballot shall provide columns for first and second choice only for that office, and where there are fewer than three candidates for any office, all columns but one and all reference to choice for that office may be omitted, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 4.* The ballots shall be in substantially the following form:— At the top of each group of candidates for an office shall be stated the number to be elected to that office. In the heading of the first column for every such group shall appear the words "First Choice" and, if the number to be elected to that office is more than one, the words "First Choices." In the heading of the second column for every such group shall in like manner appear the words "Second Choice" or "Second Choices." After the word "Choice" or "Choices" in the heading of the first and second columns for every such group shall appear the words "Not more than (here insert the number to be elected from that group)." In the heading of the third column for every such group shall appear the words "Other Choices, as many as you wish to express": *provided, however,* that when there are but three candidates for any office, the ballot shall provide columns for first and second choice only for that office, and where there are fewer than three candidates for any office, all columns but one and all reference to choice for that office may be omitted.

1916, 261 (S.),
§ 4, amended.

Preferential
voting at city
elections in
Newton, form
of ballots.

Proviso.

Instructions. — To vote for any person make a cross (X) in the square in the appropriate column according to your choice, at the right of the name voted for. Do not vote for

Marking of
ballots.

Same subject.

any one candidate in more than one column, as only one choice will count for any one candidate by this ballot. (And if only one candidate is to be elected to an office:) Vote your first choice in the first column; vote your second choice in the second column; vote in the third column for all the other candidates whom you wish to support. Vote only one first choice and only one second choice. (But if two or more candidates are to be elected to an office:) Vote your first choices in the first column; vote your second choices in the second column; vote in the third column for all the other candidates whom you wish to support. Vote not more than two first choices and not more than two second choices (substituting for the word "two" a number equal to the actual number of candidates to be elected to the office in question in case more than two are to be elected).

1916, 261 (S.),
§ 5, amended.Counting of
ballots.

SECTION 2. Section five of said chapter two hundred and sixty-one is hereby amended by inserting after the word "column", in the twenty-fourth line, the words:— If a choice is expressed after the name of but one candidate for a given office, that choice shall be counted as a first choice for such candidate, regardless of the column in which it is marked, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 5.* As soon as the polls are closed, the precinct officers shall immediately open the ballot boxes, take therefrom and count the ballots in open view, and enter the total number thereof on the tally sheet provided therefor by the city clerk. They shall also count and enter on said tally sheet the number of the first-choice, second-choice and other-choice votes for each candidate and make return thereof to the city clerk as provided by law.

Only one vote shall be counted for any candidate on any one ballot, all but the highest of two or more choices on one ballot for one and the same candidate being void.

If upon any ballot more candidates are voted for in the first-choice column for any one office than there are candidates to be elected to said office, but not more than twice that number, all of such votes in the first-choice column shall be counted as votes expressing second choice for such candidates, and all votes in the second-choice column of the ballot in question for that office shall be counted as if marked in the third column.

If upon any one ballot candidates are voted for in the first-choice column for any one office exceeding in number twice the number of candidates to be elected to that office,

all votes upon the ballot in question for that office shall be counted as if marked in the third column. Same subject.

If a choice is expressed after the name of but one candidate for a given office, that choice shall be counted as a first choice for such candidate, regardless of the column in which it is marked.

If upon any one ballot more candidates are voted for in the second-choice column for any one office than the number of candidates to be elected to that office, such votes shall be counted as if marked in the third column.

Except as hereinbefore provided all choices shall be counted and returned as marked on the ballot.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 12, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND. Chap.167

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the expenses of the Massachusetts commission for the blind, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:— Appropriations, Massachusetts commission for the blind.

For the maintenance of the industries under the control of the commission, a sum not exceeding forty-five thousand three hundred and fifty-four dollars. Maintenance of industries.

For general administration, furnishing information, industrial and educational aid, and for carrying out the other provisions of the act establishing the commission, a sum not exceeding thirty-nine thousand six hundred and forty-six dollars. General information, etc.

For the instruction of the adult blind in their homes, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars. Instruction in homes.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 12, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL SCHOOL. Chap.168

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, for the maintenance of the Massachusetts hospital school. Appropriations, Massachusetts hospital school.

hospital school, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

From the receipts of said school now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of forty-three thousand eighty-three dollars and twenty-one cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding fifty-one thousand six hundred twenty-six dollars and seventy-nine cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

Chap.169 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE WESTFIELD STATE SANATORIUM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, Westfield state sanatorium.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, for the maintenance of the Westfield state sanatorium, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

From the receipts of said sanatorium now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of forty-six thousand six hundred eighty dollars and sixty-two cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding ninety-four thousand six hundred fifty-eight dollars and thirty-eight cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

Chap.170 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING LAND AND ERECTING AND EQUIPPING A MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of New Bedford may borrow money to purchase land and erect a municipal hospital.

SECTION 1. The city of New Bedford, for the purpose of purchasing land and erecting thereon a municipal hospital, and for equipping the same, may incur indebtedness, in excess of the statutory limit, to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, and may issue bonds or notes therefor. Such bonds or notes shall be denominated on the face thereof, New Bedford Municipal Hospital Loan, Act of 1917, shall be signed by the treasurer of the city, and counter-

signed by the mayor, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

SECTION 2. The city, at the time of authorizing the said loan, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed in this act, and when such provision has been made, the amount required therefor shall, without further vote, annually be assessed by the assessors of the city, in the same manner as other taxes, until the said debt is extinguished.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE STATE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS. *Chap.171*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding eighty-five thousand eighty-five dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the state industrial school for girls, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Appropriation, state industrial school for girls.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE NORFOLK STATE HOSPITAL. *Chap.172*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, for the maintenance of the Norfolk state hospital, including the out-patient departments, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Appropriations, Norfolk state hospital.

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of thirty-three hundred eighty-one dollars and seven cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding one hundred thirty-six thousand three hundred eighteen dollars and ninety-three cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

[1903, 385; 1904, 298; 1907, 185; 1908, 184; 1909, 143, 144; 1910, 233; 1911, 123; 1916, 131, Spec.]

Chap. 173 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING LAND AND CONSTRUCTING AND FURNISHING SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of New Bedford may borrow money to purchase land and construct school-houses.

SECTION 1. The city of New Bedford, for the purpose of purchasing land, and constructing thereon one or more schoolhouses, and for the furnishing of the same, may incur indebtedness, in excess of the statutory limit, to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and may issue bonds or notes therefor. Such bonds or notes shall be denominated on the face thereof, New Bedford Schoolhouse Loan, Act of 1917, shall be signed by the treasurer of the city and countersigned by the mayor, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and shall be payable in such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 2. The city, at the time of authorizing the said loan, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed in this act, and when such provision has been made, the amount required therefor shall, without further vote, annually be assessed by the assessors of the city, in the same manner as other taxes, until the said debt is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF SALEM TO PENSION *Chap.174*
RAYMOND L. NEWCOMB.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Salem is hereby authorized to pay in monthly instalments to Raymond L. Newcomb, for many years a clerk and agent of the board of health of said city, and now incapacitated, an annual pension not exceeding six hundred and fifty dollars.

City of Salem
may pension
Raymond L.
Newcomb.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of Salem, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, that such acceptance and approval occur before the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

To be sub-
mitted to city
council, etc.
Proviso.

Approved March 12, 1917.

[1895, 487; 1901, 494; 1907, 455; 1911, 226; 1912, 671.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF DIGHTON TO SUPPLY *Chap.175*
ITSELF WITH WATER AND TO SELL WATER TO ADJOINING
TOWNS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Dighton may supply itself and its inhabitants with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic, manufacturing and other purposes; may establish fountains and hydrants and relocate or discontinue the same; and may regulate the use of the water and fix and collect rates to be paid therefor, except that said town shall not distribute water or lay water mains or conduits in any part of the North Dighton Fire District which may already be supplied with water, unless duly authorized by vote of said district, or unless said town shall have acquired by purchase or by right of eminent domain the water mains, pipes and conduits laid therein from the owners thereof, as provided by section three of this act.

Town of
Dighton may
supply itself
with water, etc.

SECTION 2. Said town is authorized to sell water at the town line to any adjoining town or to any water or fire district situated within any adjoining town, at such price as may be agreed upon by the water commissioners of the town of Dighton, hereinafter provided, and the duly authorized officials of the town or district purchasing the water.

May sell to
adjoining
towns, etc.

SECTION 3. The town of Dighton is also authorized to purchase, or take by right of eminent domain, all pipes, conduits, mains and other works for the conveyance or distribution of water in the said town belonging to any person or

May purchase
pipes, mains,
etc.

Price to be paid for works acquired, etc.

corporation, and to use the same for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act. The price to be paid for any works so acquired, if not agreed upon by the parties, shall be submitted to a board of arbitration consisting of three members, one of whom shall be chosen by the water commissioners of the town of Dighton, another by the person or corporation owning the property acquired, or to be acquired, by the town, and the third by the two so chosen. In case the town or any party is aggrieved by the decision of said board, the price to be paid may be determined in the manner provided by section six of this act for the assessment of damages for the taking of land.

May take certain lands, water sources, etc.

SECTION 4. Said town, for the purposes aforesaid, may take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold the waters of any pond or stream except the waters of Wading river, sometimes called Three Mile river, or of any ground sources of supply, by means of driven, artesian or other wells within the limits of the town, and the water rights connected with any such water sources, and may also take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold all lands, rights of way and easements necessary for collecting, storing, purifying and preserving the water, and for conveying the same to any part of said town: *provided*, that the town shall not interfere with the flow of or change the course of Wading or Three Mile river; *and provided, also*, that no source of water supply and no lands necessary for preserving the quality of the water shall be acquired without first obtaining the advice and approval of the state department of health, and that the situation of all dams, reservoirs and wells to be used as sources of water supply under this act shall be subject to the approval of said department. Said town may construct on the lands acquired or held under the provisions of this act, proper dams, reservoirs, standpipes, tanks, buildings, fixtures and other structures, and may make excavations, procure and operate machinery, and provide such other means and appliances, and do such other things, as may reasonably be necessary for the establishment and maintenance of complete and effective water works; and for that purpose may construct wells and reservoirs, and establish pumping works, and may construct, lay and maintain aqueducts, conduits, pipes and other works under and over any land, water courses, railroads, railways and public or other ways, and along such ways in the town of Dighton, in such manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same;

Provisos.

May erect structures, lay pipes, etc.

and for the purpose of constructing, laying, maintaining, operating and repairing such conduits, pipes, and other works, and for all other proper purposes of this act, said town may dig up or raise and embank any such lands, highways or other ways, in such manner as to cause the least possible hindrance to public travel on such ways; and all things done upon the said ways shall be subject to the direction of the selectmen of the town of Dighton. Said town shall not enter upon, construct or lay any conduits, pipes or other works within the location of any railroad corporation, except at such time and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the public service commission.

SECTION 5. Said town shall, within ninety days after the taking of any lands, rights of way, water rights, water sources or easements, as aforesaid, file and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the northern district of the county of Bristol, a description thereof sufficiently specific for identification, with a statement of the purpose for which the same were taken, signed by the water commissioners hereinafter provided for. The title to all lands, rights or easements acquired under the provisions of this act shall vest in the town of Dighton, and the land so acquired may be managed, improved and controlled by the board of water commissioners, hereinafter provided for, in such manner as they shall deem to be for the best interest of the town.

SECTION 6. Said town shall pay all damages to property, sustained by any person or corporation by the taking of any land, right of way, water, water source, water right or easement, or by any other thing done by the town under authority of this act. Any person or corporation sustaining damages as aforesaid, and failing to agree with the town as to the amount thereof, may have the same determined in the manner provided by law in the case of land taken for the laying out of highways, on application at any time within the period of two years after the taking of such land or other property, or the withdrawal or diversion of the water, or the doing of other injury, under authority of this act; but no such application shall be made after the expiration of the said two years, and no assessment of damages shall be made for the taking of any water, water right, or for any injury thereto, until the water is actually withdrawn

Same subject.

Description of lands taken, etc., to be recorded.

Damages, how determined.

Town to vote amount of water to be taken, etc.

or diverted by the town under authority of this act. Said town may by vote, from time to time, determine what amount of water it proposes to take and appropriate under this act; in which case any damages caused by the taking shall be based upon such amount until the same shall be increased by vote or otherwise, and in that event the town shall be further liable only for the additional damages caused by such additional taking.

Town of Dighton Water Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 7. Said town, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of this act, may issue from time to time bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, 'Town of Dighton Water Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable at the expiration of periods not exceeding thirty years from the respective dates of issue, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by the water commissioners hereinafter provided for. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 8. Said town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with the provisions of section fourteen of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen and all acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, in such manner that any loan or loans issued under authority of this act shall be paid within the period specified by section seven of this act; and when a vote to the foregoing effect has been passed, a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its water works and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid by said town, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

Penalty for polluting water, etc.

SECTION 9. Whoever wilfully or wantonly corrupts, pollutes or diverts any water taken or held under this act,

or injures any structure, work or other property owned, held or used by said town under authority of this act, shall forfeit and pay to the town three times the amount of damages assessed therefor, to be recovered in an action of tort; and, upon being convicted of any of the above wilful or wanton acts, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars or by imprisonment in jail for a term not exceeding one year.

SECTION 10. Said town may, after its acceptance of this act, at the same meeting at which the act is accepted or at a subsequent meeting called for the purpose, elect by ballot three persons to hold office, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year from the next succeeding annual town meeting, who shall constitute a board of water commissioners; and thereafter at every annual town meeting one such commissioner shall be elected by ballot for a term of three years. All the authority granted to the said town by this act, and not otherwise specifically provided for, shall be vested in said water commissioners, who shall be subject, however, to such instructions, rules and regulations as the town may impose by its vote. A majority of the commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Any vacancy, occurring in the board from any cause, may be filled by the town for the remainder of the unexpired term at any legal town meeting called for the purpose. Any such vacancy may be filled temporarily by a majority vote of the selectmen, and the person so appointed shall hold office until the town fills the vacancy in the manner provided herein. If the town does not elect a board of water commissioners, the board of selectmen shall constitute the board of water commissioners.

SECTION 11. Said commissioners shall fix just and equitable prices and rates for the use of water, and shall prescribe the time and manner of payment. The income of the water works shall be applied to defraying all operating expenses, interest charges and payments on the principal as they accrue upon any bonds or notes issued under authority of this act. If there should be a net surplus remaining after providing for the aforesaid charges, it shall be used for such new construction or reconstruction as the water commissioners may determine upon, and in case a surplus should remain after payment for such new construction or reconstruction, the water rates shall be reduced proportionately. No money shall be expended in new construction by the

Water commissioners, election, term, etc.

Quorum.

Vacancies.

Selectmen to act, when.

To fix water rates, etc.

Net surplus, how applied.

water commissioners except from the net surplus aforesaid, unless the town appropriates and provides money therefor. Said commissioners shall annually, and as often as the town may require, render a report of the condition of the works under their charge and an account of their doings, including an account of receipts and expenditures.

To make annual report.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

SECTION 12. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters of the town of Dighton present and voting thereon, by ballot, at any legal meeting called for the purpose within three years after its passage; but the number of meetings so called in any one year shall not exceed three. For the purpose of being submitted to the voters as aforesaid this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 12, 1917.

Chap. 176 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, board of registration of nurses.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the board of registration of nurses, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen: *provided*, that the expenditures authorized by this act are not in excess of the receipts for registration paid into the treasury of the commonwealth during the current year, to wit:—

Proviso.

Members, salaries.

For the salaries of members, the sum of twenty-one hundred dollars.

Travelling expenses.

For travelling and other expenses of the members, a sum not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Clerical assistance.

For clerical assistance, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Printing, postage, etc.

For printing, postage, office supplies and contingent expenses, including printing the annual report, and for rent of rooms outside the state house, a sum not exceeding thirteen hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 13, 1917.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE REINSTATEMENT OF DOMINICK J. HARKINS IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON. *Chap. 177*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The commissioner of public works in the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, is hereby authorized to reinstate Dominick J. Harkins in the department of public works, without examination, at any time prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

City of Boston may reinstate Dominick J. Harkins in public works department.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 13, 1917.

[1896, 479; 1897, 194; 1898, 276; 1902, 167; 1904, 196; 1910, 308; 1913, 131, 767.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF FALL RIVER TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEWER CONSTRUCTION. *Chap. 178*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Fall River, for the purpose of sewer construction in Shove street in that city, may incur indebtedness, in excess of the statutory limit, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, and may from time to time issue bonds or notes therefor, to be denominated on the face thereof, Fall River Sewer Loan, Act of 1917. Such bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer of the city and countersigned by the mayor, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after their respective dates, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years from its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

City of Fall River may borrow money for sewer construction.

Fall River Sewer Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. The city, at the time of authorizing the said loan or loans, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed herein, and when such provision has

Payment of loan.

Amount to be assessed like other taxes.

been made, the amount required therefor shall annually, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the city, in the same manner as other taxes, until the said debt is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 13, 1917.

[1892, 367; 1893, 449; 1897, 191; 1899, 300; 1900, 155; 1903, 127, 335; 1907, 338; 1909, 179; 1910, 186, 189; 1914, 225.]

Chap. 179 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF FALL RIVER TO INCUR ADDITIONAL INDEBTEDNESS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Fall River may borrow additional money for school purposes.

SECTION 1. The city of Fall River, for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise acquiring land, and of constructing school buildings thereon, and of equipping new buildings, may incur indebtedness in excess of the statutory limit to an amount not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, and may issue bonds or notes therefor, to be denominated on the face thereof, Fall River School Loan, Act of 1917. Such bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer of the city and countersigned by the mayor, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper; but they shall not be sold for less than their par value.

Fall River School Loan, Act of 1917.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 2. The city, at the time of authorizing the said loan or loans, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed in this act, and when such provision has been made, the amount required therefor shall, without further vote, annually be assessed by the assessors of the city, in the same manner in which other taxes are assessed, until the said debt is extinguished.

Amount to be assessed like other taxes.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 13, 1917.

[1917, 159, Spec.]

AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE OFFICE OF CITY AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MALDEN AND TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF CONTROLLER OF ACCOUNTS. *Chap.* 180

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The office of city auditor of the city of Malden is hereby abolished and the office of controller of accounts of the city of Malden is hereby established. Office of controller of accounts established in Malden.

SECTION 2. The controller of accounts shall have all the powers and duties now conferred or imposed by law upon the office of city auditor. He shall have charge and oversight of the accounts and bookkeeping of the city of Malden and of the various departments thereof, and shall have such other powers and duties as the city council may by ordinance prescribe. Powers and duties.

SECTION 3. The present city auditor of the city of Malden shall hold the office of controller of accounts until the first day of March in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, unless sooner removed as hereinafter provided. Present city auditor to hold office for certain period.

During the month of January or February in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen and in every third year thereafter the city council by concurrent vote shall elect a controller of accounts whose term of office shall be three years from the first day of March next succeeding his election. Every incumbent of said office shall hold office until his successor is chosen and qualified, but may be removed by the city council at any time for cause. A vacancy may be filled by the city council at any time. Election of successor.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor. To be submitted to city council, etc.

Approved March 13, 1917.

[1917, 308, Spec.]

[1888, 374; 1889, 228, 346; 1890, 69, 82, 85, 253; 1891, 380; 1892, 149; 1897, 172; 1900, 114, 115, 224; 1914, 372; 1915, 71, Spec., 171, Spec.]

AN ACT TO CONSOLIDATE THE OFFICES OF CITY CLERK AND CLERK OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF WOBURN. *Chap.* 181

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city clerk of the city of Woburn shall act as the clerk of the city council of the city, and shall receive as compensation for his services as such city clerk the salaries established by ordinance for both said offices. Offices of city clerk and clerk of city council in Woburn consolidated.

Repeal.

SECTION 2. So much of section eleven of chapter one hundred and seventy-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven as is inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor.

Approved March 13, 1917.

[1917, 182, Spec.]

[1917, 181, Spec.]

*Chap.*182 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES AFFECTING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS IN THE CITY OF WOBURN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1897, 172 § 20, amended.

SECTION 1. Section twenty of chapter one hundred and seventy-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended by inserting after the word "remuneration", in the sixth line, the words: — shall receive its final passage by the city council after the last day of September, and no such ordinance, — and by inserting after the word "passed", in the seventh line, the words: — Every such proposed ordinance shall be published once in full in at least one newspaper of the city, and in any additional manner that may be provided by ordinance, at least ten days before its final passage, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 20.* The city council shall establish by ordinance the salaries or remuneration of the offices created by this act, in case the same are not fixed herein, and of such other offices as may hereafter be created; and no ordinance of the city council changing any such salary or remuneration shall receive its final passage by the city council after the last day of September, and no such ordinance shall take effect until the municipal year succeeding that in which the ordinance is passed. Every such proposed ordinance shall be published once in full in at least one newspaper of the city, and in any additional manner that may be provided by ordinance, at least ten days before its final passage. Such salaries shall be in full for all services rendered the city by the incumbents of the respective offices in the discharge of the duties thereof.

City council of Woburn to establish salaries, etc., of certain officers.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor.

Approved March 13, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF MALDEN TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO THE WIDOW OF GEORGE H. BUTLER. Chap. 183

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Malden is hereby authorized to pay to Annie A. Butler, widow of George H. Butler, late chief of the fire department of that city, who was seriously injured in the discharge of his duty and shortly thereafter died, a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars a month for a period of five years: *provided*, that payments hereunder shall cease in case of her re-marriage.

City of Malden may pay an annuity to Annie A. Butler.
Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the city council of said city and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a two thirds vote of the members present and voting in each branch, with the approval of the mayor.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

Approved March 13, 1917.

[1917, 115, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ASSISTANT ASSESSORS IN THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD. Chap. 184

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section five of chapter two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-seven is hereby amended by striking out the last paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:— During the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, the board of assessors of the city of New Bedford shall appoint six suitable persons, for the term of one year, one from each ward, to be assistant assessors; and annually thereafter twelve suitable persons, two from each ward, residents of the city of New Bedford shall be appointed assistant assessors by said board for such term as the board may determine. The said assistants shall furnish the assessors with such information as they may require relative to the persons and property taxable in the city of New Bedford. They shall receive for their services such compensation per diem as the city council may determine. In making the said appointments named herein, the board of assessors shall not be subject to the provisions of the civil service laws and regulations.

1857, 2 § 5, amended.
Appointment of assistant assessors in New Bedford.

Approved March 13, 1917.

[1917, 272, Spec.]

Chap.185 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF EVERETT TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO COLUMBUS COREY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Everett may pay an annuity to Columbus Corey.

SECTION 1. The city of Everett is hereby authorized to retire and pay annually to Columbus Corey, an assessor of that city, a sum not exceeding one half of his present compensation, so long as he lives.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city, with the approval of the mayor.

Approved March 13, 1917.

[1911, 591; 1916, 153, Spec.]

Chap.186 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STREET RAILWAY SERVICE IN PLEASANT STREET IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Public service commission to investigate necessity of street railway service in Pleasant street, Boston.

SECTION 1. The public service commission is hereby directed to investigate forthwith by a public hearing or hearings, the necessity and convenience to the general public of street railway service in Pleasant street in the city of Boston, the said street having been widened under the authority of chapter five hundred and ninety-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, and provision having been made for railway service therein by chapter one hundred and fifty-three of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

May establish such service.

SECTION 2. If the public service commission shall find that public necessity and convenience so require, the commission shall take such action as may be necessary promptly to establish street railway service in the said street.

(The foregoing was laid before the governor on the seventh day of March, 1917, and after five days it had "the force of a law", as prescribed by the constitution, as it was not returned by him with his objections thereto within that time.)

[1898, 408; 1910, 496.]

Chap.187 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF LAWRENCE TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Lawrence may borrow money

SECTION 1. The city of Lawrence, for the purpose of completing the construction of the Central grammar school

and for furnishing and equipping the same, is hereby authorized to borrow, in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness, the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, and to issue from time to time bonds or notes therefor, payable at periods not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates of issue. Such bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the city council of said city, shall be denominated on the face thereof, Central Grammar School Loan, Act of 1917, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

for school purposes.

Central Grammar School Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. The city, at the time of authorizing the said loan or loans, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed in this act; and when such provision has been made the amount required therefor shall, without further vote, annually be assessed by the assessors of the city, in the same manner as other taxes, until the said debt is extinguished.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 14, 1917.

[1917, 191, Spec.]

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN ENCLOSED ATHLETIC FIELD IN THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER. *Chap. 188*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. So much of the park lands under the jurisdiction of the board of park commissioners of the city of Gloucester as shall be designated for that purpose by said board, by a vote of two thirds of its members, shall be set apart for an enclosed athletic field under such regulations as may be prescribed by the board.

Enclosed athletic field for city of Gloucester.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 14, 1917.

Chap.189 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF FALL RIVER TO
ALIENATE A PART OF SOUTH PARK, SO-CALLED.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Fall
River may
alienate a part
of South Park,
so-called.

SECTION 1. The city of Fall River, acting through its board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor and of the board of aldermen, by agreement with any adjoining owner, may alter the property line at or near the westerly end of South Park, so-called, in that city, and for this purpose may alienate a part of the land used or held for public parks at or near said westerly end, and any or all rights in said land: *provided*, that the lands or rights in land or other considerations received by the city under such agreement shall, in the judgment of the commissioners and of the mayor and board of aldermen, be a fair equivalent for the lands or rights in land so alienated; *and provided*, that the frontage of South Park on the waters of Mount Hope bay shall not thereby be diminished. A deed signed in behalf of the city, approved by the board of park commissioners and executed by the mayor, shall be a valid execution of the powers hereby granted to the city of Fall River.

Provisos.

Deed to be
signed.

Powers cease
January 1, 1919.

SECTION 2. All powers herein granted shall be exercised by the city on or before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and nineteen.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 14, 1917.

[1890, 422, 424.]

Chap.190 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF
THE BURBANK HOSPITAL BY THE CITY OF FITCHBURG.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Fitch-
burg may ap-
propriate
money for
support of
Burbank
hospital.

SECTION 1. The city of Fitchburg is hereby authorized to appropriate each year, from the usual revenues of the city, such sum of money, as the city council may determine, to be expended in the support and maintenance of the Burbank Hospital and the isolation hospital department connected therewith, under the direction of the trustees of the said institution.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 14, 1917.

[1917, 187, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF LAWRENCE TO INCUR
INDEBTEDNESS FOR HIGH SCHOOL PURPOSES. *Chap.191**Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The city of Lawrence, for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise acquiring land and of constructing a high school building or buildings thereon, and furnishing and equipping the same, is hereby authorized to borrow in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness, the sum of four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, and to issue from time to time bonds or notes therefor, payable at periods not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates of issue. Such bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the city council of said city, shall be denominated on the face thereof, Lawrence High School Loan, Act of 1917, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

SECTION 2. The city, at the time of authorizing the said loan or loans, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed in this act; and when such provision has been made the amount required therefor shall, without further vote, annually be assessed by the assessors of the city, in the same manner as other taxes, until the said debt is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 14, 1917.

City of Lawrence may borrow money for high school purposes.

Lawrence High School Loan, Act of 1917.

Payment of loan.

*Chap.*192 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF ARLINGTON TO TAKE
SUCKER BROOK, SO-CALLED.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Arlington may take Sucker brook, so-called.

For the purpose of protecting the health of its inhabitants, the town of Arlington, by vote of the town, may take by right of eminent domain Sucker brook, so-called, and such land adjoining said brook as may be necessary for the purpose aforesaid, and the land or water rights so taken shall be taken and paid for in the manner provided by law in the case of land taken for highways.

Approved March 14, 1917.

*Chap.*193 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE FIDELITY TRUST COMPANY TO
HOLD REAL ESTATE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Fidelity Trust Company may hold real estate.

SECTION 1. The Fidelity Trust Company, incorporated in the year nineteen hundred and thirteen under the general laws, and having a usual place of business in the city of Boston, is hereby authorized, when its aggregate capital and surplus shall amount to not less than two million five hundred thousand dollars, to hold real estate in the city of Boston suitable for the transaction of its business, to an amount not exceeding one million dollars in value.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 15, 1917.

*Chap.*194 AN ACT TO PLACE CAPTAIN ALBERT L. POTTER OF GARDNER
ON THE RETIRED LIST OF THE MASSACHUSETTS VOLUNTEER
MILITIA WITH THE RANK OF MAJOR.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Capt. Albert L. Potter of Gardner placed on retired list M. V. M., etc.

Albert L. Potter of Gardner, honorably discharged from the Massachusetts volunteer militia while holding the rank of captain, is hereby placed upon the retired list of the militia with the rank of major.

Approved March 15, 1917.

[1873, 154; 1887, 303; 1888, 386; 1890, 317; 1896, 438; 1910, 136; 1912, 355, 381; 1913, 608; 1914, 149, 400; 1915, 351, Spec.; 1916, 63, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF CANDIDATES FOR
ALDERMEN THAT MAY BE VOTED FOR IN THE CITY OF
HOLYOKE. Chap.195

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section nine of chapter four hundred and thirty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six, being an act to revise the charter of the city of Holyoke, is hereby amended by striking out the word "five", in the thirtieth line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — seven, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 9.* The board of aldermen shall be composed of fourteen members at large and one member from each ward of the city, who shall be elected as follows: — At the first municipal election held under this act said fourteen members at large of the board of aldermen shall be elected by the qualified voters of the entire city, seven to serve for the term of two years and seven to serve for the term of one year beginning with the first Monday in January then next ensuing, and thereafter seven members at large of said board of aldermen shall be elected in like manner at each annual municipal election, to serve for the term of two years beginning with the first Monday in January next ensuing. At said first municipal election one member of the board of aldermen from each ward shall be elected by and from the voters of each ward, to serve for the term of one year beginning with the first Monday in January next ensuing, and thereafter one member of the board of aldermen from each ward shall be elected by and from the voters of each ward at each annual municipal election, to serve for the term of one year beginning with the first Monday in January next ensuing. At said first municipal election no voter shall vote for more than five of the candidates for members at large of the board of aldermen to be elected for each term, that is to say, not more than ten of said candidates for members at large in the aggregate on one ballot, and the seven candidates for members at large of said board having the highest number of votes for each term shall be declared elected. At all municipal elections subsequent to the said first municipal election no voter shall vote for more than seven of

1896, 438 § 9,
amended.

Board of aldermen in Holyoke, election, terms of office, etc.

Number of candidates to be voted for.

the candidates for members at large of the board of aldermen to be elected at an annual municipal election on one ballot, and the seven candidates for members at large of the board having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. The members at large of the board of aldermen shall hold office for two years, except as herein otherwise provided, and the members of the board of aldermen from the wards shall hold office for one year beginning with the first Monday in January next succeeding their election and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. In case it should become necessary to fill at an election a vacancy or vacancies in the board of aldermen a voter may vote for the alderman necessary to fill such vacancy or vacancies, in addition to the number to be voted for as above provided.

Term of office of members.

Vacancies.

To be submitted to voters at the next state election.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Holyoke at the state election in the current year in the form of the following question: — “Shall chapter of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, which authorizes voters in this city to vote for seven instead of five candidates at large for aldermen, be accepted?” This act shall take effect if a majority of the voters voting thereon vote in the affirmative.

Approved March 15, 1917.

[1917, 278, Spec.]

[1845, 236; 1849, 133; 1891, 323; 1892, 401; 1893, 437; 1894, 82; 1895, 494; 1902, 521; 1906, 393; 1913, 155, 536; 1916, 269, Spec.]

Chap. 196 AN ACT RELATIVE TO ASSESSMENTS FOR SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1893, 437 § 1, etc., amended.

SECTION 1. Chapter four hundred and thirty-seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended in section one by chapter two hundred and sixty-nine of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, is hereby further amended by striking out said section one and inserting in place thereof the following: — *Section 1.* The city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, may grade and construct sidewalks, and may complete any partly constructed sidewalk in any street of said city, as public convenience may require, with or without edgestones as the council shall deem expedient,

Construction, etc., of sidewalks in Boston.

and may cover the same with brick, stone, concrete, artificial stone, gravel or other appropriate material; and, provided that entry for the purpose of constructing, grading or completing a sidewalk shall be made within two years after the date of the approval by the mayor of the order therefor, may assess upon each abutter on such sidewalk a just proportion, not exceeding one half, of the expense of the sidewalk. All assessments so made shall constitute a lien upon the abutting land from and after the date of entry to construct, grade or complete the sidewalk under order of the city council, but no lien or incumbrance shall be created by the passage of the order by the city council. Every such assessment shall bear interest until paid, from the date when it is payable, which shall be the thirtieth day after it is made, and, if not paid before the first day of September of the year next after the year in which it is made, the assessors of said city shall include in the annual tax bills for such abutting land, until the assessment is paid, a sum not exceeding twenty per cent of the amount thereof, and shall also include in the bill for the first year interest on said amount from the thirtieth day after the assessment is made to the last day of October of that year, and in the bill for each year thereafter, one year's interest on the amount of the assessment remaining unpaid; and the total amount included in any such bill shall be paid and collected in the same manner in which taxes on real estate are paid and collected. The said sidewalks when constructed with edgestones and covered with brick, stone, concrete or artificial stone shall afterward be maintained at the expense of the city. When any such sidewalk shall permanently be constructed with edgestones and covered with brick, stone, concrete or artificial stone as aforesaid, there shall be deducted from the assessment therefor any sum previously assessed upon the abutting premises and paid to the city for the expense of the construction of the same in any other manner than with edgestones and brick, stone, concrete or artificial stone as aforesaid, and such deduction shall be made pro rata, and in just proportions, from the assessments upon different abutters who are owners of the land in respect to which such former assessment was paid.

Assessments upon abutters.

Interest to be paid upon assessments, etc.

Deduction from assessments, when made.

SECTION 2. All orders of the board of aldermen or city council of the city of Boston prior to the first day of January, nineteen hundred and sixteen, for the construction,

Certain orders of aldermen or city council nullified.

grading, or completion of sidewalks under which no work has been done are hereby declared null and void.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 17, 1917.

[1917, 318, Spec.]

Chap. 197 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF MARLBOROUGH TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PAYMENT OF FINAL JUDGMENTS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Marlborough may borrow money for payment of final judgments.

SECTION 1. The city of Marlborough may, within one year after the passage of this act, incur debt, within the statutory limit of indebtedness, to an amount not exceeding six thousand dollars for the payment of final judgments against it and counsel fees, and may from time to time issue bonds or notes therefor payable at periods not exceeding six years from their respective dates of issue. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the mayor. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it shall deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 2. The city shall, at the time of authorizing the said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date of each issue of bonds or notes, as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed by this act, and the amount of the annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. When a vote to the foregoing effect has been passed, a sum sufficient to pay the interest as it accrues on the said bonds or notes and to make such payments on the principal as may be required, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the city annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by the said loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 17, 1917.

[1898, 130; 1916, 221, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE FITCHBURG *Chap.198*
 HELPING HAND ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section three of chapter one hundred and thirty of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, as amended by section one of chapter two hundred and twenty-one of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, is hereby further amended by striking out the said section, and inserting in place thereof the following: —
Section 3. The said corporators, together with George H. Hastings, of Fitchburg, the founder of said association, and Lucy Fay Griffeth, who shall serve for the term of their lives, shall constitute a board of trustees, whose terms of office, except as above stated, shall be as hereinafter specified. The trustees shall, on the third Monday of each September meet and elect three trustees who shall hold office for three years, except that once in every three years they shall elect four trustees, who shall hold office for three years. The trustees so elected shall severally hold office for the terms for which they are elected and until their successors are chosen. Five members shall constitute a quorum, except for the election and removal of trustees, when seven members shall be required. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the board of trustees by reason of death, resignation or otherwise, the remaining trustees shall fill the vacancy for the unexpired term. The annual meeting shall be held at such date and place in January of each year as the trustees shall determine.

1898, 130, § 3,
 etc., amended.

Trustees of the
 Fitchburg
 Helping Hand
 Association,
 election, etc.

Quorum.

Vacancies,
 how filled.

Approved March 17, 1917.

[1854, 257; 1857, 76, 77; 1859, 168; 1860, 48; 1862, 25; 1863, 142; 1869, 245; 1873, 245; 1876, 211; 1878, 239; 1881, 78; 1882, 193; 1885, 269; 1890, 275; 1894, 351, 540; 1895, 160, 343; 1899, 371; 1900, 95; 1902, 393; 1903, 225; 1906, 362; 1908, 101; 1912, 693; 1913, 299, 548; 1914, 178.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE ALDER- *Chap.199*
 MEN OF THE CITY OF FALL RIVER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The fifth clause of section fifteen of chapter three hundred and ninety-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and two is hereby amended by striking out the word "two", in the third line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — four, — so as to read as follows: —

1902, 393, § 15,
 amended.

Compensation of aldermen of city of Fall River.

To be submitted to voters at the next state election.

Fifth. The compensation of the members of the board of aldermen shall be fixed by ordinance but shall not exceed four hundred dollars each in any one year.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Fall River at the state election for the current year in the form of the following question to be placed upon the official ballot: "Shall the provisions of chapter of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, increasing the maximum annual salary that may be paid to each member of the board of aldermen of the city of Fall River from two hundred dollars to four hundred dollars, be accepted?" And if a majority of the voters voting thereon vote in the affirmative, this act shall take effect; otherwise it shall be void.

YES.	
NO.	

Approved March 17, 1917.

[1917, 229, Spec.]

[1901, 359; 1906, 150.]

Chap.200 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SUFFOLK SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Trustees for children may grant temporary permits for liberty to boys in the Suffolk School for Boys, etc.

SECTION 1. The trustees for children shall have authority in case of the death or serious illness of a member of the immediate family of a boy in the Suffolk School for Boys to grant the boy a permit to be temporarily at liberty, upon such terms and conditions as they shall prescribe, to revoke a permit so granted, and to return the boy to the school.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 19, 1917.

[1902, 347; 1906, 405, 535; 1916, 354, Spec.]

Chap.201 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE AMERICAN WOOLEN COMPANY TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF AN ELECTRIC COMPANY IN THE TOWN OF ROYALSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

American Woolen Company may engage in business of an electric company in Royalston.

SECTION 1. The American Woolen Company, a Massachusetts corporation, in addition to its other corporate powers, is hereby authorized to carry on the business of an electric company in the town of Royalston, and in respect to said business it shall have all the powers and privileges, and be subject to all the duties, liabilities and restrictions of an electric company under all general laws now or hereafter in force in relation thereto, so far as the same may be appli-

cable: *provided, however*, that if the town of Royalston shall vote to acquire a municipal lighting plant in accordance with the provisions of section ninety-two of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, it shall not be required under the provisions of section one hundred of said chapter or of any other provision of law to buy any part of the plant of the American Woolen Company not used in the distribution of electricity, or to pay as an element of value the damages, if any, caused by the severance of that part of the company's plant used in the distribution of electricity.

Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 19, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO DEFRAY CERTAIN MILITARY, NAVAL AND OTHER EMERGENCY EXPENSES. *Chap.202*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sum of one million dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to be expended under the direction of the governor as commander-in-chief, subject to the approval of the council, in defraying the military, naval and other expenses which the emergency arising out of existing conditions, and the exigencies of possible war, may in his judgment render requisite and proper.

Appropriation to defray certain military, naval and other emergency expenses.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 19, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD TO INCUR CERTAIN INDEBTEDNESS AND TO ISSUE CERTAIN BONDS. *Chap.203*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Springfield may incur debt, in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness, for the original construction, and the extension and widening, of Dwight street, between Lyman and Sanford streets, and of a new street between Sanford and State streets, including land damages and the cost of pavements and sidewalks laid at the time of construction, to an amount not exceeding one million five hundred thousand dollars, and may issue serial bonds therefor, payable not more than twenty years from the date of their issue, notwithstanding the provisions of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year

City of Springfield may borrow money to widen, etc., certain streets.

nineteen hundred and thirteen, limiting the amount of indebtedness which a city may incur or authorize and the periods within which it shall be payable, but subject to all other provisions of law relative to such indebtedness.

Use of receipts from betterments.

Proviso.

SECTION 2. The receipts on account of betterments assessed shall be applied to the payment of debt incurred under the provisions of this act: *provided, however*, that the mayor may recommend and the council appropriate receipts from betterments for the payment of land damages or cost of construction of said streets, and the amount of the loan authorized by this act shall be reduced by the amounts appropriated from the betterments.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 20, 1917.

[1848, 32; 1849, 16, 210; 1850, 191; 1855, 313; 1856, 272; 1857, 95; 1860, 96; 1862, 35; 1864, 61; 1865, 196; 1866, 199; 1868, 195; 1871, 1; 1873, 183; 1877, 193; 1883, 26; 1887, 236, 306; 1888, 360; 1893, 444; 1894, 430, 475; 1902, 128, 274; 1903, 180; 1906, 462; 1910, 140, 178, 203, 239, 250, 252, 267; 1914, 64, 223, 312, 461; 1915, 96, Spec., 97, Spec.; 1916, 172, Spec., 205, Spec.]

Chap. 204 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION IN THE CITY OF WORCESTER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Parks and recreation commission of the city of Worcester established.

SECTION 1. The board of park commissioners and the playground commission of the city of Worcester are hereby abolished, and, in place thereof and in succession thereto, there is hereby established a commission to be known as the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Worcester, to consist of seven members, who shall be appointed in the manner and for the terms hereinafter provided. Said commission shall be vested with all the powers and duties heretofore exercised and performed by said park commissioners and playground commission.

Members, how appointed.

SECTION 2. The mayor of the said city shall appoint, prior to July first, nineteen hundred and seventeen, subject to confirmation by the city council, three members of said commission to serve for three years, two for two years and two for one year, and thereafter as the term of any member expires, a successor shall be appointed for the term of three years, and vacancies for unexpired terms shall be filled in like manner. The members shall in all cases hold office until their successors are chosen, and shall serve without compensation.

Time of taking effect.

SECTION 3. So much of this act as provides for the appointment of new commissioners by the mayor shall take

effect upon its passage, but otherwise it shall not take effect until the members of the commission hereby established have been appointed and qualified.

Approved March 20, 1917.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO A WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY FOR LABORERS, TEAMSTERS AND MECHANICS EMPLOYED BY THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE. Chap.205

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Laborers, teamsters and mechanics employed by the city of Somerville shall hereafter receive a half-holiday on Saturday without loss of compensation. Saturday half-holiday for laborers, etc., in Somerville.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Somerville at the city election in the current year in the form of the following question to be placed on the official ballot: "Shall the laborers, teamsters and mechanics employed by the city of Somerville receive a half-holiday on Saturdays without loss of pay?" To be submitted to voters, etc.

YES.	
NO.	

If a majority of the voters voting on the said question vote in the affirmative, this act shall thereupon take effect; otherwise it shall be of no effect. When act takes effect.

Approved March 20, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SOLDIERS' HOME IN MASSACHUSETTS. Chap.206

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, as authorized by chapter eleven of the resolves of the present year, payments to be made in equal quarterly instalments, to wit:— Appropriations, Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

For maintenance, one hundred nine thousand four hundred dollars. Maintenance.

For building a macadam road, six hundred dollars. Macadam road.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 20, 1917.

Chap. 207 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR DEFICIENCIES IN APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES AUTHORIZED IN THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations in 1916.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, unless it is otherwise provided herein, for certain expenses in excess of the appropriations therefor in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, to wit: —

Report on production and sale of milk.

For the report on the production and sale of milk, upon vouchers approved by the state department of health, the sum of five hundred five dollars and forty-seven cents.

Certain expenses of public service commission.

Upon vouchers approved by the public service commission, for stenographic reports of hearings, the sum of three hundred nine dollars and eighty-nine cents, and for printing and binding the annual reports of said commission, the sum of fifteen hundred seventy-seven dollars and seventy-three cents.

Establishment of fish hatcheries.

For the establishment and maintenance of one or more fish hatcheries, as provided by chapter six of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, upon vouchers approved by the commissioners on fisheries and game, the sum of five hundred twenty-two dollars and seventy-one cents.

Certain expenses of Lyman school for boys.

Upon vouchers approved by the trustees of the Lyman school for boys, for repairs and equipment for the power plant at said school, as provided by chapter one hundred and thirty-three of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, the sum of sixteen hundred sixty-five dollars and ninety-seven cents.

Maintenance of Gardner state colony.

For the maintenance of the Gardner state colony, upon vouchers approved by the trustees thereof, the sum of twenty-three hundred five dollars and ninety cents.

Maintenance of Medfield state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Medfield state hospital, upon vouchers approved by the trustees thereof, the sum of fourteen thousand five hundred eleven dollars and twenty-three cents.

Travelling expenses of bureau of prisons.

For travelling expenses of the bureau of prisons, upon vouchers approved by said board, the sum of two hundred sixty-nine dollars and thirty-two cents.

Upon vouchers approved by the board of education, for printing and binding the annual reports and bulletins of said board, the sum of ninety dollars and sixty-eight cents; for furnishing school committees with rules for testing the sight and hearing of pupils, the sum of one hundred twenty-seven dollars and thirty-nine cents; for the expenses of a division for the maintenance of university extension and correspondence courses, the sum of six hundred seventy-one dollars and ninety-five cents; for the payment of tuition of children in high schools outside of the town in which they live, the sum of fifteen thousand three hundred twenty-two dollars and ninety-nine cents; and for the expense of transportation of high school pupils to outside high schools in certain cases, the sum of thirty-seven hundred eighty-eight dollars and eighty cents.

Certain expenses of board of education, etc.

For the instruction of adult blind at home, upon vouchers approved by the Massachusetts commission for the blind, the sum of one hundred forty-seven dollars and thirty-two cents.

Instruction of adult blind at home.

For printing and binding the annual report of the gas and electric light commissioners, upon vouchers approved by said commissioners, the sum of one hundred twenty-seven dollars and fifteen cents to be paid from the assessments levied upon the several gas and electric light companies for the current year.

Printing report of gas and electric light commissioners.

For the transportation of officers and men of the volunteer militia, when on military duty, upon vouchers approved by the adjutant general, the sum of twelve hundred dollars.

Transportation of officers and men of volunteer militia.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 21, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HAVERHILL TO ERECT
A POLICE STATION WITH ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE COURTS
OF THE COUNTY OF ESSEX. Chap. 208

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Haverhill, for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise acquiring land and of constructing thereon a central police station, and of furnishing the same, may incur indebtedness, in excess of the statutory limit, to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and may issue bonds therefor. Such bonds shall be denominated on their face, Haverhill Police Station Loan,

City of Haverhill may erect, etc., police station.

Haverhill
Police Station
Loan, Act of
1917.

Act of 1917, shall be signed by the city treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the municipal council of the city, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the dates thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan, payable in any subsequent year. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 2. The city at the time of authorizing the said loan, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed in this act, and when such provision has been made, the amount required therefor shall annually, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the city, in the same manner as other taxes, until the said debt is extinguished.

May rent part
for use of
courts of
Essex county.

SECTION 3. The city of Haverhill is hereby authorized to rent a part of the building hereby authorized to be constructed to the county of Essex, for use as a court house, at such rental as may be agreed upon.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 21, 1917.

Chap. 209 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SINKING FUND REQUIREMENTS AND FOR CERTAIN SERIAL BONDS MATURING DURING THE PRESENT YEAR.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, sinking fund requirements and certain serial bonds, etc.

SECTION 1. The following sums are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to provide for sinking fund requirements and for the payment of certain serial bonds due the present year, to wit: —

Metropolitan Parks, boulevards.

For the Metropolitan Parks loan sinking fund, boulevards, being one half of the requirements, the sum of thirteen thousand seven hundred and twenty-six dollars.

Metropolitan Parks, series two, serial bonds.

For the Metropolitan Parks loan, series two, serial bonds, due January first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, thirteen thousand three hundred seventy-six dollars and one cent.

For Abolition of Grade Crossings loan serial bonds, due November first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, thirty-four thousand dollars.

Abolition of
Grade
Crossings.

For Armory loan serial bonds, due September first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, seventy-one thousand two hundred seventeen dollars and sixteen cents.

Armories.

For the Development of the Port of Boston loan serial bonds, due August first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, two hundred sixteen thousand six hundred dollars.

Development
of Port of
Boston.

For the Harbor Improvement loan serial bonds, due January first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, fifty-five thousand dollars.

Harbor Im-
provement.

For Prisons and Hospitals loan serial bonds, due November first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, ninety-four thousand five hundred dollars.

Prisons and
Hospitals.

For the Soldiers' Gratuity loan serial bonds, due August first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, forty-eight thousand dollars.

Soldiers'
Gratuity.

For Massachusetts Military Service loan serial bonds, due September twenty-seventh in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, one hundred nine thousand nine hundred and fifty-two dollars.

Massachusetts
Military
Service.

For State Highway loan serial bonds, due April first and October first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, four hundred forty-one thousand four hundred and eighty-two dollars.

State Highway.

For State House Construction loan serial bonds, due October first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, one hundred three thousand five hundred and seventy-four dollars.

State House
Construction.

For Suffolk County Court House loan serial bonds, due March first and September first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, ten thousand three hundred thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents.

Suffolk
County Court
House.

For the Western Massachusetts Highway loan serial bonds, due October first in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, sixty-seven thousand eight hundred dollars.

Western Mas-
sachusetts
Highway.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 21, 1917.

Chap.210 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ADMINISTRATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, office of supervisor of administration.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the office of the supervisor of administration, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Supervisor, salary.

For the salary of the supervisor of administration, five thousand dollars.

Deputies, clerks, etc.

For the salaries of deputies, clerks and assistants, and for all necessary office, travelling and other expenses including printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

Expert services, etc., standardization of salaries.

For expert and temporary services in making an examination, under the direction of the governor and council, of the salaries and other compensation paid by the commonwealth and by the several counties, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars. Appointments of experts and other temporary employees for the purposes of the said examination may be exempt from the civil service laws and rules.

Exempt from civil service.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 21, 1917.

Chap.211 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL, INDEPENDENT INDUSTRIAL, HOUSEHOLD ARTS, PRACTICAL ARTS AND CONTINUATION SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, maintenance of certain agricultural, independent industrial, household arts, etc., schools.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for meeting the commonwealth's proportion of the cost of maintaining certain agricultural, independent industrial, household arts, practical arts and continuation schools for the period previous to the first day of September in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, to wit:—

Maintenance of non-agricultural schools.

For the cost of maintaining non-agricultural schools in certain cities and towns, as approved by the board of education under authority of chapter four hundred and seventy-

one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, a sum not exceeding one hundred eighty-one thousand five hundred fourteen dollars and seven cents.

For the maintenance of agricultural schools and departments in certain cities and towns, as approved by the board of education under authority of chapter four hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, and chapters five hundred and sixty-six and five hundred and eighty-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, and chapter one hundred and eighty-nine of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, a sum not exceeding thirty-four thousand three hundred eighteen dollars and eleven cents.

Agricultural schools, etc.

For the maintenance of practical arts classes in certain cities and towns, as approved by the board of education under authority of chapter one hundred and six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, and chapter two hundred and sixty-six of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand one hundred forty-seven dollars and ninety-eight cents.

Practical art classes.

For the maintenance of continuation schools, as approved by the board of education, under authority of chapter eight hundred and five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand four hundred five dollars and thirty-seven cents.

Continuation schools.

For the tuition of non-resident pupils in non-agricultural schools maintained in certain cities and towns, as approved by the board of education under authority of chapter four hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, and chapter one hundred and six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, a sum not exceeding twenty-nine thousand eight hundred sixteen dollars and thirty-one cents.

Tuition of certain pupils in non-agricultural schools.

For the tuition of non-resident pupils in agricultural schools and departments maintained in certain cities and towns, as approved by the board of education under authority of chapter four hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, and chapter five hundred and sixty-six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, a sum not exceeding five thousand twenty-nine dollars and fifty-four cents.

Tuition of certain pupils in agricultural schools.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 21, 1917.

Chap. 212 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE SEVERAL INSTITUTIONS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE COMMISSION ON MENTAL DISEASES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, maintenance of the several institutions under supervision of the commission on mental diseases.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated for the maintenance of the following named institutions under the supervision of the commission on mental diseases, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen; the expenditures hereby authorized to be approved by the boards of trustees of the several institutions, to wit:—

Boston State Hospital.

For the Boston state hospital:

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of fifty-two thousand four hundred ninety-six dollars and eighty-seven cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding four hundred ninety thousand one hundred ten dollars and thirteen cents.

Danvers state hospital.

For the Danvers state hospital:

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of sixty-two thousand twenty-six dollars and thirteen cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding three hundred eighty-one thousand seventy-three dollars and eighty-seven cents.

Foxborough state hospital.

For the Foxborough state hospital:

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of three thousand six hundred thirty-eight dollars and ninety-six cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding one hundred forty-five thousand thirty-two dollars and four cents.

Gardner state colony.

For the Gardner state colony:

From the receipts of said colony now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of three thousand seven hundred eighty-four dollars and nine cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding two hundred nine thousand three hundred twenty-three dollars and ninety-one cents.

Grafton state hospital.

For the Grafton state hospital:

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of fourteen thousand nine hundred ninety-nine dollars and eighteen cents; and from

the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding four hundred eighty-four thousand two hundred dollars and eighty-two cents.

For the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded:

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded.

From the receipts of said school now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of twelve thousand nine hundred sixty-three dollars and eighty-two cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding three hundred fifty-nine thousand two hundred eighteen dollars and ninety-one cents.

For the city of Waltham from the annual assessment due from the commonwealth toward maintaining and operating a system of sewage disposal at the said school, the sum of eight hundred twenty dollars and eighty-nine cents, as provided for by section three of chapter eighty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three.

City of
Waltham.

For the Medfield state hospital:

Medfield state
hospital.

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of ten thousand two hundred four dollars and fifty-one cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding four hundred forty-one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine dollars and forty-nine cents.

For the Monson state hospital:

Monson state
hospital.

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of eighteen thousand seven hundred forty-seven dollars and seven cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding two hundred sixty-eight thousand three hundred fifty-two dollars and ninety-three cents.

For the Northampton state hospital:

Northampton
state hospital.

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of fifty-six thousand one hundred ninety-two dollars and forty-seven cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding two hundred seven thousand nine hundred fifty-three dollars and fifty-three cents.

For the Taunton state hospital:

Taunton state
hospital.

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of thirty-seven thousand one hundred thirty-five dollars and eighty cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding three hundred fifty-eight thousand three hundred eighty-four dollars and seventy cents.

Westborough
state hospital.

For the Westborough state hospital:

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of seventy-five thousand eight hundred seven dollars and forty-six cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding three hundred thirty thousand eight hundred seventy-seven dollars and fifty-four cents.

Worcester
state hospital.

For the Worcester state hospital:

From the receipts of said hospital now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of fifty-one thousand five hundred ten dollars and fifty-five cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding three hundred sixty-four thousand eight hundred fifty-four dollars and forty-five cents.

Wrentham
state school.

For the Wrentham state school:

From the receipts of said school now in the treasury of the commonwealth, the sum of one thousand seven hundred twenty-nine dollars and eighty-nine cents; and from the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding two hundred fifty-two thousand nine hundred thirty-four dollars and eighty-three cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 21, 1917.

Chap. 213 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARMORY COMMISSIONERS TO CONVEY TO THE CITY OF WOBURN CERTAIN LAND OF THE COMMONWEALTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF WIDENING MAIN STREET.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Armory com-
missioners may
convey to city
of Woburn
certain land
of common-
wealth.

The armory commissioners, with the approval of the governor and council, are hereby authorized to convey to the city of Woburn, on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the commissioners and the mayor and city council of Woburn, so much land of the commonwealth on the westerly side of Main street in said city as may be needed for widening the said street.

Approved March 21, 1917.

Chap. 214 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PENSIONING OF THE MATRONS OF THE HOUSE OF DETENTION IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston
may pension
matrons of
house of
detention.

SECTION 1. Any matron of the house of detention in the city of Boston who has served for twenty years or longer,

or who is injured in the performance of her duties, and is certified by a physician selected by the police commissioner of the city of Boston to be permanently incapacitated, either mentally or physically, for further service, may be retired at her own request by the police commissioner, with the approval of the mayor, and shall be entitled to an annual pension to be paid by the city of Boston, equal to one half the amount of compensation received by her at the time of retirement.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of Boston, with the approval of the mayor.

To be submitted to the city council, etc.

Approved March 21, 1917.

[Accepted May 1, 1917.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK TO INCREASE THE PENSION OF ANNIE DOHERTY OF BOSTON.

Chap. 215

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The county of Suffolk is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Annie Doherty of Boston, a scrub-woman who was in the employ of said county for twenty years, a pension not exceeding three hundred dollars a year so long as she lives, in substitution of the pension authorized by chapter two hundred and forty-nine of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

County of Suffolk may increase pension of Annie Doherty of Boston.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

Approved March 21, 1917.

[Accepted April 17, 1917.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REINSTATEMENT OF PATRICK H. CONLEY IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Chap. 216

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The commissioner of public works of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, is hereby authorized to reinstate Patrick H. Conley in the department of public works without further civil service examination at any time prior to December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Patrick H. Conley may be reinstated in public works department of Boston.

Approved March 21, 1917.

Chap.217 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF PITTSFIELD TO PAY A PENSION TO ASHER STARKWEATHER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Pittsfield may pay a pension to Asher Starkweather.

SECTION 1. The city of Pittsfield is hereby authorized to pay to Asher Starkweather a pension not exceeding in amount one half of the salary which he received as a truant officer of the said city.

To be submitted to the city council, etc.
Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Pittsfield, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur prior to the thirty-first day of December, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen. *Approved March 21, 1917.*

Chap.218 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER OF THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO THE MOTHER OF EMILY H. DOHERTY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Treasurer of Middlesex county may pay a sum of money to Mary E. Doherty.

SECTION 1. The treasurer of the county of Middlesex, subject to the approval of the county commissioners, is hereby authorized to pay to Mary E. Doherty, mother of Emily H. Doherty, a sum of money equal to the amount of salary to which the said Emily H. Doherty would have been entitled as a superior court stenographer had she lived and served in that capacity until October second, nineteen hundred and sixteen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. *Approved March 22, 1917.*

[1917, 144, Spec.]

Chap.219 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF HOLDING THE ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF CHICOPEE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1897, 239, § 5, amended.

SECTION 1. Section five of chapter two hundred and thirty-nine of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended by striking out the words "second Tuesday of", in the second line, and inserting in place thereof the words:—first Tuesday after the first Monday in,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 5.* The annual municipal election shall take place on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in December, and the municipal year

Date of annual municipal election of Chicopee.

shall begin at ten o'clock in the morning on the first Monday of January next following.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 22, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WEST STOCKBRIDGE TO PAY CERTAIN BILLS AND TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES. Chap. 220

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of West Stockbridge is hereby authorized to pay certain bills incurred by its officers and departments in excess of their respective appropriations prior to January first, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and to incur indebtedness, to an amount not exceeding two thousand dollars, for the purpose of funding loans issued in anticipation of revenue of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, and to pay other obligations of the town, and to issue notes of the town therefor. Such notes shall bear on their face the words, West Stockbridge Funding Loan, Act of 1917, and shall be payable in accordance with the provisions of section fourteen of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, as amended, in such manner that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than seven years from the date of the first note issued.

Town of West Stockbridge may pay certain bills.

West Stockbridge Funding Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 22, 1917.

[1907, 550; 1908, 336; 1909, 313; 1910, 284, 631; 1911, 342; 1912, 259, 369, 370, 713; 1913, 50, 577, 586, 704, 729; 1914, 119, 205, 248, 595, 782; 1915, 254, Spec., 346, Spec., 352, Spec.; 1916, 248, Spec., 277, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE BUILDING LIMITS OF THE CITY OF BOSTON. Chap. 221

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section nine of chapter five hundred and fifty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven, as amended by section one of chapter seven hundred and eighty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, and by section one of chapter three hundred and fifty-two of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "extend", in the fourth line, the word:— modify, —so as to read as follows:—*Section 9.* The building limits of the city of Boston as they now exist shall continue

1907, 550, § 9, etc., amended.

Building limits, etc., of city of Boston defined.

Restrictions
not to apply
in certain
cases.

until changed by ordinance, and the city council may by ordinance from time to time extend, modify and define said building limits, and may establish other limits in any part of the city within which every building built after the establishment thereof shall be of the first or second class. This restriction shall not apply to wharves, nor to buildings not exceeding twenty-seven feet in height on wharves, nor to market sheds or market buildings not exceeding such height, nor to elevators for the storage of coal or grain, if the external parts of such buildings, elevators, or other structures are covered with slate, tile, metal, or other equally fire-proof material, and the mode of construction and the location thereof are approved by the commissioner. Temporary structures to facilitate the prosecution of any authorized work may be erected under such conditions as the commissioner may prescribe.

Construction
of single and
two-family
dwellings.

Single and two-family dwellings not to be occupied, or intended, arranged or designed to be occupied, by more than two families, may be built of third class construction in all parts of the city of Boston not included in the building limits of said city as they existed prior to the twenty-second day of September in the year nineteen hundred and thirteen; but no such building shall occupy more than sixty per cent of the area of the lot upon which it is situated, and all such buildings shall be constructed with pitched roofs not less than thirty degrees with the horizontal.

Third class
buildings.

Provisos.

Buildings of the third class in the city of Boston may be reconstructed, altered, enlarged, repaired and extended so as to cover a greater area of land: *provided*, that the reconstruction, alteration, enlargement or extension conforms to the requirements of law in respect to new buildings of the same character; and *provided, also*, that not more than sixty per cent of the lot is covered.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 22, 1917.

[1823, 19.]

Chap. 222 AN ACT TO ENLARGE THE POWERS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MINISTERIAL FUND OF THE FIRST PARISH IN LONGMEADOW.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Powers of the
Trustees of the
the Ministerial

SECTION 1. The Trustees of the Ministerial Fund of the First Parish in Longmeadow are hereby authorized to take

and hold any grant, gift or bequest of property, upon trust, to apply the same or the income thereof to the improvement, establishment, protection or enlargement of the cemetery belonging to the First Parish of Longmeadow, or of any lot therein, or for the erection, repair, preservation or removal of any monument, fence or other structure therein, or for the planting or cultivation of trees, shrubs or plants in or around any lot, or for improving said premises in any other manner consistent with the objects of said corporation, according to the terms of such grant, gift or bequest. The said corporation may likewise receive and administer in accordance with the terms of any trust, if otherwise lawful, funds conveyed by gift, grant, bequest, or devise for the benefit of the church or Sunday school connected with said parish.

Fund of the First Parish in Longmeadow enlarged.

SECTION 2. The acts of the said corporation in receiving and administering the Mason Warren Ely Fund, the Stephen S. Colton Fund, the Hannah Colton Fund and the Mercy Cooley Fund and also the G. Washington Allen Fund, in so far as they may have been in excess of authority, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Certain acts ratified.

Approved March 22, 1917.

[1913, 393.]

AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE MANUFACTURING AND SHIPPING IN
THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

Chap. 223

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter three hundred and ninety-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen is hereby amended by striking out the word "frontage", in the tenth line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — land, — by inserting after the word "and", in the eleventh line, the word: — all, — by striking out the words "connected with shipping", in the same line, and by striking out the word "twenty", in the twelfth line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — fifty, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 1.* The city of Cambridge, by vote of its city council, is hereby authorized to alter the use of all or any part of such land taken by it under authority of chapter three hundred and forty-one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two, and by chapter three hundred and thirty-seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as borders on the Charles river between Lech-

1913, 393, § 1, amended.

Manufacturing and shipping in the city of Cambridge encouraged.

mere canal and Broad canal, may maintain a public dock or wharf thereon and in the manner hereinafter specified may lease said land or any part of it for wharves, terminals, and all other commercial purposes for periods not exceeding fifty years.

To be sub-
mitted to city
council, etc.
Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city: *provided*, such acceptance occurs on or before the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Approved March 22, 1917.

[Accepted May 10, 1917.]

[1910, 448; 1914, 163; 1916, 182, Spec.]

Chap.224 AN ACT RELATIVE TO WIRES AND ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES
IN THE CITY OF SALEM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Time extended
for placing
underground
certain wires
and electrical
appliances
in Salem.

The time within which the owners or users of certain overhead wires, cables and conductors in the city of Salem were required by the provisions of chapter four hundred and forty-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and ten to construct certain underground conduits within that part of the city designated by said act, and within which time they were to remove said overhead wires, cables and conductors, together with all poles or other structures supporting the same, and to install certain wires, cables and conductors in said conduits, as extended by chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, is hereby further extended for a period of one year from the fifteenth day of March, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Approved March 22, 1917.

Chap.225 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE BOUNDARY LINE BETWEEN THE
CITY OF MALDEN AND THE CITY OF MEDFORD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Boundary line
established
between Mal-
den and
Medford.

That part of the boundary line between the city of Malden and the city of Medford from Malden corner number five to Malden corner number six is hereby changed and established as follows: — beginning at Malden corner number five, said corner being situated at the junction of the northerly line of Pleasant street in Malden with the northerly

line of Salem street in Medford, thence north sixteen degrees thirty-five minutes west, seven hundred fourteen and fifty-eight hundredths feet; thence north six degrees thirty minutes east, nine hundred thirteen and twenty-nine hundredths feet; thence south, eighty-three degrees thirty minutes east, about two hundred eighty and sixteen hundredths feet to the present line between said cities; thence north six degrees thirty minutes east by the present line to Malden corner number six.

Approved March 22, 1917.

[1914, 213; 1915, 290, Spec.; 1916, 301, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ELECTION OF A TREASURER OF
THE DUXBURY FIRE AND WATER DISTRICT. *Chap. 226*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section nine of chapter three hundred and thirteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "vote", in the thirteenth line, down to and including the word "commissioners", in the sixteenth and seventeenth lines, and inserting in place thereof the following: — The treasurer of the district shall be elected annually by vote of the district at its annual meeting, and shall give a bond to the district in such an amount and with such sureties as may be approved by the commissioners, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 9.* The Duxbury Fire and Water District shall, after the acceptance of this act as aforesaid, elect by ballot three persons to hold office, one until the expiration of three years, one until the expiration of two years and one until the expiration of one year from the next succeeding annual district meeting, to constitute a board of water commissioners; and at every annual meeting thereafter one such commissioner shall be elected by ballot for the term of three years. All the authority granted to said district by this act and not otherwise specifically provided for shall be vested in said board of water commissioners, who shall be subject, however, to such instructions, rules and regulations as the district may impose by its vote. The treasurer of the district shall be elected annually by vote of the district at its annual meeting, and shall give a bond to the district in such an amount and with such sureties as may be approved by the commissioners. A majority of the commissioners shall

1914, 313, § 9,
amended.

Election of
board of water
commissioners
of Duxbury
Fire and Water
District.

Treasurer,
election, etc.

Vacancies,
how filled, etc.

constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Any vacancy occurring in said board from any cause may be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by said fire district at any legal meeting called for the purpose. No money shall be drawn from the district treasury on account of the water works except by a written order of said commissioners or a majority of them.

To be sub-
mitted to
voters, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the voters of said district present and voting thereon by ballot at a district meeting called for the purpose.
Approved March 29, 1917.

[1915, 281, Spec.]

Chap. 227 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH PAYMENTS SHALL BE MADE UPON CERTAIN BONDS TO BE ISSUED BY THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1915, 281 (S),
§ 5, amended.

SECTION 1. Section five of chapter two hundred and eighty-one of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen is hereby amended by striking out the words "one year", in the eighth line, and inserting in place thereof the words: — three years, — so that the sentence in which the said words occur will read as follows: — Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Town of Georgetown Water Loan, Act of 1915; shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than three years after their respective dates, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date; but the amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of said loan payable in any subsequent year.

Time extended
within which
payments
shall be made
upon bonds
to be issued
by town of
Georgetown.

To be sub-
mitted to
legal voters,
etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters of the town of Georgetown present and voting thereon by ballot at any legal meeting called for the purpose within three years after its passage, but the number of meetings so called in any one year shall not exceed three; and for the purpose of being submitted to the voters as aforesaid this act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 29, 1917.

[1908, 527.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF CHESTER TO ERECT A HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING AND TO BORROW MONEY THEREFOR. *Chap. 228*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of constructing and equipping a high school and of acquiring land therefor, the town of Chester is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness, and to issue bonds or notes therefor. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Chester High School Loan, Act of 1917; shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after their respective dates, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years from its date; and the amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. Said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Town of Chester may borrow money to build a high school.

Chester High School Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. The said town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with the provisions of section one of this act; and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum sufficient to pay the interest as it accrues on the said bonds or notes, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required by this act shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 29, 1917.

[1917, 199, Spec.]

Chap.229 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE FIRST ASSISTANT CALL CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF FALL RIVER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Promotion of first assistant call chief engineer of Fall River fire department.

SECTION 1. The present first assistant call chief engineer of the fire department of the city of Fall River, who has served in that capacity for twelve consecutive years or more, shall be eligible to promotion to the office of deputy chief engineer of said department without a civil service examination, upon presenting a certificate from at least two reputable physicians that he is physically fit for the said office.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 29, 1917.

[1915, 370, Spec.]

Chap.230 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF LOWELL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

High school building commission for city of Lowell established.

SECTION 1. There is hereby established a high school building commission for the city of Lowell, which shall be composed of five residents of the city, who shall be chosen, within thirty days after the passage of this act, by a majority vote of the municipal council and the school committee sitting, in joint session, to be called by the mayor. The members of the commission shall serve without compensation and shall have no financial interest, directly or indirectly, in the work of constructing said school, or in any contract relating thereto. Vacancies in the commission shall be filled, within thirty days after their occurrence, in the same manner as the original appointments.

May erect high school, etc.

SECTION 2. The said commission is hereby authorized in the name and behalf of the city to erect within a reasonable time, upon the land situated between Kirk and Anne streets, and purchased or taken by the city for the said purpose, or upon other land owned by the city, a high school building and a building for a heating and power plant in connection therewith. So far as may be necessary for the purposes of this act, the commission shall have all the powers and duties conferred and imposed by chapter six hundred and forty-

five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven upon the municipal council of the city of Lowell with respect to the erection, alteration, repair and equipping of said buildings, and shall succeed to the rights and have the duties of the municipal council now existing under or by virtue of any contracts relating to the construction of the said buildings.

SECTION 3. The said commission shall have complete and exclusive control of the raising and expenditure of money under the provisions of chapter three hundred and seventy of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto. The city treasurer, for the time being, shall be the treasurer of the commission and shall receive and pay the said funds at its direction.

To expend money, etc.

SECTION 4. The commission shall, whenever requested by the municipal council, make a report in writing of the condition and progress of the work under its charge and shall furnish a detailed statement of receipts and expenditures in relation thereto.

Report.

SECTION 5. The commission shall choose a chairman and a secretary, shall keep a record of its proceedings, and may act by a majority vote at any meeting of which all members have had reasonable notice, or at which, at the time of acting, all the members are present. Meetings may be called by the chairman, or by a majority of the members.

Officers, meetings, etc.

SECTION 6. Upon the completion, equipment and acceptance by the school committee of said buildings, the powers of the commission and their terms of office shall cease.

Expiration of terms.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 29, 1917.

[1871, 268.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETY OF JAMAICA PLAIN IN WEST ROXBURY TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN A MEMORIAL BUILDING. Chap. 231

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Central Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain in West Roxbury is hereby authorized to construct, upon land owned by the society adjoining to and connecting with its meeting house, a building, to be known as the Samuel B. Capen Memorial, with a hall for social

Central Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain in West Roxbury may construct, etc., memorial building.

Building, etc.,
to be exempt
from taxation.

service, bowling alley, pool and billiard room, and other rooms for religious and secular instruction. The said society is hereby authorized to maintain the said memorial building, and may charge for the use of the bowling alley, pool and billiard room and other rooms to defray the operating expenses thereof. The Samuel B. Capen memorial building and its contents, together with the lot of land upon which it is situated, shall be exempt from taxation so long as it is used for the purposes above set forth, or for any other purposes beneficial to the community in which the house is to be situated.

Land ex-
empt from
taxation for
two years, etc.

SECTION 2. The lot of land upon which it is proposed to build said memorial shall be exempt from taxation for two years from the time when it was acquired, in case no building is erected thereon.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chap.232 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE STATE BOARD OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES.

Be it enacted, etc, as follows:

Appropriations, state board of labor and industries.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the state board of labor and industries, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

Members, salaries.

For the salaries of the members of the board, a sum not exceeding fifty-five hundred dollars.

Commissioner and deputies.

For the salaries of the commissioner and deputy commissioners, a sum not exceeding thirteen thousand five hundred dollars.

Inspectors and investigators.

For the salaries of inspectors and investigators, a sum not exceeding forty-two thousand dollars.

Stenographers, etc.

For the salaries of stenographers, clerks and assistants, a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand five hundred dollars.

Travelling expenses.

For travelling expenses of members of the board, officers, inspectors and investigators, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.

Rent, etc.

For rent and care of office, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.

For postage, stationery, office supplies and printing, including printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding thirteen thousand dollars. Postage, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 29, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF IPSWICH TO PAY MONEY TO THE IPSWICH HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION. *Chap.233*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Ipswich is hereby authorized to raise by taxation and to pay annually or otherwise to the Ipswich Hospital Association, to be used for the charitable work of the Cable Memorial Hospital in said town, such sums, not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, as may be appropriated by the town by a two thirds vote at an annual meeting or at a special meeting duly called for the purpose. Town of Ipswich may pay money to the Ipswich Hospital Association.

SECTION 2. No payment shall be made as authorized in the foregoing section unless with the approval of the selectmen or by direction of the town, and all sums so paid shall be expended by said association in conformity with such rules and regulations as the selectmen, or the town, shall from time to time establish or approve. Restrictions.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 30, 1917.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BAY STATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY. *Chap.234*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. James D. Henderson, Luke D. Mullen, Archibald L. Stark, Forris W. Norris, James G. Ferguson, J. Edward L. McLean, Edward M. Hamlin, John J. Prindiville, Herbert A. Rhoades and Francis L. Daly, their associates and successors, are hereby created a corporation under the name of Bay State Life Insurance Company, to be situated in the city of Boston, for the transaction of life and endowment insurance, the sale of annuities, and for insuring against the sickness and the bodily injury or death of the insured by accident; with all the rights, powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, liabilities and restrictions set forth in all general laws, now or hereafter in force, applicable to domestic stock life insurance companies, Bay State Life Insurance Company incorporated.

so far as the same are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Board of directors, election, etc.

SECTION 2. The board of directors shall consist of not less than fifteen members, who shall be chosen by ballot from the stockholders, and a majority of whom shall be residents of the commonwealth. Not less than eight shall constitute a quorum to do business, although a less number may adjourn from time to time. The number of directors and the number constituting a quorum may be increased or diminished within the said limits at any annual or special meeting of the stockholders. The directors shall have power to choose from their number an executive committee of not less than seven, which may exercise all the powers of the board of directors whenever the board shall not be in session, and also all powers expressly conferred upon it by the by-laws. The corporation may determine by its by-laws the manner of calling and conducting all meetings, and the mode of voting by proxy. Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for every share of capital stock owned by him.

Executive committee, powers, etc.

Capital stock, issue of shares and policies.

SECTION 3. The capital stock of the corporation shall be two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, divided into ten thousand shares of the par value of twenty-five dollars each. The capital stock together with a surplus of not less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars shall be paid in in cash within twelve months after the date of the passage of this act; and no certificates of shares and no policies shall be issued until the whole capital stock and surplus are paid in.

Payment of dividends regulated.

SECTION 4. Until the net surplus of the corporation shall amount to three hundred thousand dollars no dividend exceeding six per cent per annum shall be declared or paid on the capital stock: *provided*, that if, in any year before that time, the dividend paid shall be less than six per cent it may be made good in any subsequent year, notwithstanding the foregoing limitation; and *provided, further*, that no dividend shall be paid to stockholders which will reduce the surplus to less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. When the net surplus of the corporation shall equal twice the amount of its capital stock, the said stock may be retired, and in that case the policy holders shall become members of the corporation and direct its affairs, as in the case of mutual companies.

Provisos.

Retirement of capital stock, when.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 3, 1917.

[1909, 239, 529; 1910, 337; 1912, 634.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE FIRE DISTRICT NUMBER TWO IN THE TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY TO BORROW MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING ITS WATER SUPPLY. Chap. 235

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of increasing and improving its water supply, Fire District Number Two in the Town of South Hadley, which was incorporated by chapter five hundred and twenty-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, as amended by chapter three hundred and thirty-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and ten, is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, and may, from time to time, issue bonds or notes therefor. Each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan. The bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, South Hadley Fire District Number Two, Water Loan, Act of 1917, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the respective dates thereof, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. The said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the water commissioners of said district. The district may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value. The proceeds, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Fire District Number Two in South Hadley may borrow money to increase its water supply.

South Hadley Fire District Number Two, Water Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. The said district shall, at the time of authorizing the said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one of this act, and when a vote to that effect has been passed a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating the water works and the interest as it accrues on bonds or notes, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by said district annually thereafter in the same manner as

Payment of loan.

other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 3, 1917.

[1895, 219; 1897, 268; 1898, 154, 164, 342; 1900, 58; 1904, 384; 1905, 329; 1906, 176; 1914, 38.]

Chap.236 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF TAUNTON TO INCUR ADDITIONAL INDEBTEDNESS FOR SEWERAGE PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Taunton may borrow money for sewerage purposes.

SECTION 1. The city of Taunton, for the purposes mentioned in section one of chapter two hundred and ninety-five, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, may incur indebtedness from time to time to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars beyond the statutory debt limit, and may issue bonds or notes therefor, to be denominated on the face thereof, Taunton Sewer Loan, Act of 1917. Said bonds or notes shall be payable within such period, not exceeding thirty years from the date thereof, and shall bear interest at such rate, as the municipal council of the city shall determine. Except as is otherwise provided herein, the provisions of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, and of acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, shall apply to the indebtedness hereby authorized and the securities issued therefor.

Taunton Sewer Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 3, 1917.

Chap.237 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF DIGHTON TO PENSION GEORGE E. GOODING.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Dighton may pension George E. Gooding.

SECTION 1. The town of Dighton is hereby authorized to pay to George E. Gooding a pension of twenty-five dollars a month for the remainder of his life on account of the faithful services rendered by him to the town as selectman, overseer of the poor, member of the school committee, assessor, town clerk, and treasurer covering a period of more than fifty years.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 3, 1917.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE AN ELECTION IN THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD. *Chap. 238**Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The election of a town clerk at the annual town meeting of the town of Brookfield held on the fifth day of March, nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby made legal and valid to the same extent as if the town had complied with all the provisions of law relative to the election of the said officer.

Election of town clerk in Brookfield legalized.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 3, 1917.

[1905, 353; 1906, 317, § 12; 1913, 192.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF AGAWAM TO BORROW ADDITIONAL MONEY FOR ITS WATER SUPPLY. *Chap. 239**Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The town of Agawam, for the purposes specified in chapter three hundred and fifty-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and five, is hereby authorized to issue from time to time bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars in addition to the amount heretofore authorized by law to be issued by said town for water supply purposes. Bonds or notes issued under authority of this act shall bear on their face the words, Agawam Water Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after their respective dates of issue, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. Said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

Town of Agawam may borrow additional money for its water supply.

Agawam Water Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. The said town shall, at the time of authorizing each issue of bonds or notes, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one of this act; and when a vote

Payment of loan.

Same subject.

to that effect has been passed, a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its water works and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid by the town, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 3, 1917.

Chap.240 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF LYNN TO RETIRE AND PENSION AMBROSE H. FITCH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Lynn may retire and pension Ambrose H. Fitch.

SECTION 1. The city of Lynn is hereby authorized to retire Ambrose H. Fitch, for twenty-one years in the employ of the poor department of said city, with an annual pension during his life not exceeding four hundred and fifty dollars.

To be submitted to municipal council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the municipal council of said city, with the approval of the mayor.
Approved April 3, 1917.

Chap.241 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF NAHANT TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE AN ADDITIONAL SYSTEM OF SEWERS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Nahant may construct and operate an additional sewerage system.

SECTION 1. The town of Nahant is hereby authorized to lay out and construct, maintain and operate a system or systems of main drains and common sewers for a part or a whole of its territory, with such connections and other works as may be required for a system of sewage disposal; and to construct such sewers or drains over and under land or tide water in said town as may be necessary to conduct the sewage to the ocean, and for the purpose of providing better surface or other drainage, may lay, make and maintain such main drains as it deems best. For the purposes aforesaid, the town may, within its limits, make and maintain sub-drains.

Board of sewer commissioners, election, etc.

SECTION 2. The town shall elect by ballot, at an annual town meeting, or at a special town meeting called for the

purpose, a board of three sewer commissioners, who shall be citizens of the town, to hold office, one until the expiration of one year, one until the expiration of two years, and one until the expiration of three years from the next succeeding annual town meeting, and until their successors are elected and qualified, and thereafter, at each annual town meeting, the town shall elect one member to the board to serve for three years, and until his successor is elected and qualified. A selectman may be a member of the said board.

SECTION 3. The said board of commissioners, acting for and in behalf of the town, shall have power to take, or to acquire by purchase or otherwise, any lands, water rights, rights of way or easements in said town, public or private, necessary for accomplishing any purpose mentioned in this act, and may construct main drains and sewers under or over any highway, boulevard, or other way, may enter upon and dig up any private land, street or way for the purpose of laying such drains and sewers and of maintaining and repairing the same, and may perform any other act necessary or proper for the purposes of this act.

May take
lands, water
rights, etc.

SECTION 4. Said board, in order to take any lands in fee, water rights, rights of way or easements, shall cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the southern district of the county of Essex, a statement, signed by a majority of the board, containing a description thereof sufficiently specific for identification, and specifying that the same are taken under the authority of this act; and upon such recording, the title to the lands, water rights, rights of way or easements described in the said statement shall vest in the town of Nahant, which shall pay all damages therefor, and all other damages sustained by any person or corporation through any action of said board under this act. Said board, at the time of such taking, shall notify the owners thereof in writing, and may agree with any person or corporation upon the damages sustained by such person or corporation; otherwise the damages shall be assessed by a jury in the superior court for said county upon petition of either party, in the manner provided by law for determining damages for land taken for highways; but in case of a taking, no suit or petition shall be brought after the expiration of two years from the date of the recording of the taking as herein provided; and in all other cases no suit or petition shall be brought after the expiration of two years from the time when the cause of action accrues.

Description of
lands, etc., to
be recorded.

Damages to be
agreed upon,
etc.

Suits, when
to be brought.

Damages, how paid, etc.

SECTION 5. In every case of a petition for the assessment of damages or for a jury said town may at any time file in the office of the clerk of the courts an offer to pay the petitioner a sum therein specified as damages; and if the petitioner does not accept the same within thirty days after notice of such offer, and does not finally recover a sum greater than that offered, not including interest, from the date of the offer, on the sum so recovered, the town shall recover costs from the date of said notice; and the petitioner shall be entitled to costs only to that date.

Apportionment of cost.

Proviso.

SECTION 6. The town shall by vote determine what proportion of the cost of said system or systems of sewerage and sewage disposal the town shall pay: *provided*, that it shall pay not less than one third nor more than one half of the whole cost. In providing for the payment of the remaining portion of the cost of said system or systems the town may avail itself of any or all of the methods permitted by general laws, and at the same meeting at which it determines the proportion of the cost which is to be borne by the town, it may by vote determine by which of such methods the remaining portion of said cost shall be provided for. In case it determines that such remaining portion shall be provided for wholly or in part by assessments upon the owners of estates situated within the territory embraced by said system or systems and benefited thereby, then said owners shall be assessed by the board of sewer commissioners their proportional parts, respectively, of the said portion, but no estate shall be deemed to be benefited until a sewer is constructed into which it can be drained. For the purpose of fixing the amounts of such assessments the said board shall determine the value of the special benefit to each of said estates, respectively, from the said system or systems of sewers, taking into account all the circumstances of the case; and the proportionate part to be paid by the owners of said estates, respectively, shall be based upon the amount of the special benefit to each estate, determined as aforesaid, and in no case shall exceed such special benefit, and every such owner shall, within three months after written notice of the assessment, served on him or on the occupant of his estate, or sent by mail to the last address of the owner known to the board of sewer commissioners, pay the sum so assessed to the collector of taxes of said town: *provided*, that said board shall, on the written request of any such owner, made within the said three months, appor-

Assessment and payment of benefits, etc.

Proviso.

tion the assessment into ten equal parts or assessments; and the board shall certify the apportionment to the assessors of the town, and one of said parts or instalments, together with the interest at six per cent per annum on all unpaid apportionments, shall be added by the assessors to the annual tax on such estate for each year next ensuing, until all the said parts have so been added, unless sooner paid as hereinafter provided; and *provided, further*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the payment at any time in one payment, notwithstanding its prior apportionment, of any balance due; but interest on such balance at the rate of six per cent per annum shall be paid to the date of the payment, and thereupon the collector of taxes of said town shall receive the same and shall certify the payment or payments to the assessors, who shall preserve a record thereof. In case of corner lots abutting on more than one sewer street the same area shall not be assessed more than once.

Proviso.

Corner lots,
how assessed.

SECTION 7. The town, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under this act, may incur indebtedness in accordance with the provisions of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen and all acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

May incur indebtedness.

SECTION 8. The town shall, at the time of authorizing the said indebtedness, provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same in accordance with the provisions hereof; and when a vote to that effect has been passed the amount required thereby, less the amount that may be appropriated therefor as provided in the following section, shall annually thereafter, without further vote be assessed by the assessors of the town in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan is extinguished.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 9. The receipts from sewer assessments and from payments made in lieu thereof, shall be applied to the payment of charges and expenses incident to the maintenance and operation of said system of sewerage, or to the extension thereof, except that any part of such receipts may be applied to the payment of interest upon notes or bonds issued hereunder, and not otherwise provided for, or to the payment or redemption of such bonds or notes as the town shall by vote determine, and the said receipts shall be used for no other purpose. If the said receipts shall not in any year be sufficient

Receipts, how
applied, etc.

for the purposes aforesaid the town shall raise forthwith by taxation, in the same manner in which money is raised for other town purposes, the balance required therefor.

Assessment,
etc., to consti-
tute a lien, etc.

SECTION 10. Any assessment or charge made hereunder shall constitute a lien upon the estate which shall continue for two years after the certificate thereof is filed, and after the demand aforesaid is made, or in case of apportionment until the expiration of two years from the time when the last instalment is committed to the collector. Said assessment, together with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, with incidental costs and expenses, may be satisfied by the sale of the estate or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to discharge the assessment and interest and intervening charges, if the assessment is not paid within three months after the service of said notice, or, if it has been apportioned, within three months after any portion has become due. Such sale and all proceedings connected therewith shall be conducted in the same manner as sales for the nonpayment of taxes, and real estate so sold may be redeemed in the same manner as if sold for the nonpayment of taxes. The said assessments or parts thereof may be collected also by an action of contract in the name of the town of Nahant against the owner of the estate, brought at any time within two years after the same become due.

Sale of estate,
how conducted,
etc.

Persons ag-
grieved may
apply for
a jury, etc.

SECTION 11. Any person aggrieved by any such assessment may, at any time within three months after the service of the demand mentioned in section six of this act, apply to the superior court for said county for a jury to revise the same, but before making such application he shall give to said commissioners fourteen days' notice in writing, and shall therein specify particularly his objection to the assessment, to which specification he shall be confined in the jury trial.

Clerk and
superintend-
ent, appoint-
ment, etc.

SECTION 12. Said board of sewer commissioners shall annually appoint a clerk, and may appoint a superintendent of sewers, who shall not be a member of the board, and may remove the clerk or superintendent at its pleasure, and may fix the pay of the clerk and superintendent and define their duties. The commissioners may, in their discretion, prescribe such annual rentals or charges for the users of said sewer system, based on the benefits derived therefrom, as they shall deem proper. The compensation of the commissioners shall be fixed by the town.

To prescribe
rentals, etc.,

Compensation.

Contracts,
how made.

SECTION 13. All contracts made by the board of sewer commissioners shall be made in the name of the town and

shall be signed by the board, but no contract shall be made or obligation incurred by the commissioners for any purpose in excess of the amount of money appropriated by the town therefor.

SECTION 14. Said commissioners may from time to time prescribe rules and regulations for the connection of estates and buildings with main drains and sewers, and for inspection of the materials, the construction, alteration, and use of all connections and drains entering into such main drains or sewers, and may prescribe penalties not exceeding twenty dollars for every violation of any such rule or regulation. Such rules and regulations shall be published not less than once a week for three successive weeks in some newspaper published in the town of Nahant, if there be any, and if not, then in some newspaper published in the county of Essex, and shall not take effect until such publication has been made.

May prescribe rules, regulations and penalties, etc.

Rules and regulations not to take effect until published.

SECTION 15. No act shall be done under authority of the preceding sections, except in the making of surveys and other preliminary investigations, until the plans for the said system of sewerage have been approved by the state department of health. Upon application to said department for such approval the department shall give a hearing, after due notice to the public. At the hearing plans showing in detail all the work to be done in constructing said system of sewerage shall be submitted for the approval of the state department of health.

Plans to be approved by state department of health, etc.

SECTION 16. Until the board of sewer commissioners shall have been elected as provided in this act the town may carry on the construction of the system of sewerage by a duly authorized committee of the town, but not longer than until the annual meeting next but one after the commencement of said work of construction. The committee shall serve without pay and shall have all the powers and authority given to the board of sewer commissioners in this act or by the general laws relating to boards of sewer commissioners.

Special committee to serve until board is elected, etc.

SECTION 17. This act shall take effect upon its passage, but no expenditure shall be made and no liability incurred hereunder until it has been accepted by vote of a majority of the voters of said town voting thereon at a legal meeting called for the purpose.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

Approved April 3, 1917.

Chap.242 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HOLYOKE TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO THE WIDOW OF GEORGE L. DICKINSON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Holyoke may pay a sum of money to the widow of George L. Dickinson.

SECTION 1. The city of Holyoke is hereby authorized to pay to the widow of George L. Dickinson, a former sergeant in the police department of said city who died during the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, an annuity of three hundred dollars for a period of three years.

To be submitted to board of aldermen, etc. Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the board of aldermen of the city of Holyoke, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur prior to the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen. *Approved April 3, 1917.*

[Accepted May 10, 1917.]

Chap.243 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF CORNELIUS J. HARRINGTON IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston may reinstate Cornelius J. Harrington in fire department.

SECTION 1. The fire commissioner of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, may reinstate Cornelius J. Harrington, as a member of the fire department of the city, without further civil service examination.

To be approved by mayor. Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its approval by the mayor: *provided*, such approval occurs prior to the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen. *Approved April 3, 1917.*

[1900, 349; 1902, 120; 1905, 216; 1906, 275; 1912, 62.]

Chap.244 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE DEGREES THAT MAY BE GRANTED BY THE LOWELL TEXTILE SCHOOL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1912, 62, amended.

Chapter sixty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve is hereby amended by striking out the word "Dyeing", in the third line, and inserting in place thereof the word:—Chemistry,—so as to read as follows:—
The trustees of the Lowell textile school are hereby authorized to grant the degree of Bachelor of Textile Engineering and Bachelor of Textile Chemistry to pupils who have

Degrees that may be granted by the Lowell textile school.

taken the four-year day course of the Lowell textile school in said departments and have passed the examinations required for graduation. *Approved April 3, 1917.*

AN ACT TO VALIDATE THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF MOUNT WASHINGTON IN THE PRESENT YEAR. Chap.245

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The acts and proceedings of the town of Mount Washington at the annual town meeting, or any adjournment thereof, in the current year, and all acts done in pursuance thereof, are hereby confirmed and made valid, to the same extent as if the said meeting had been held and conducted in strict compliance with law. Annual town meeting of town of Mount Washington validated.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. *Approved April 4, 1917.*

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND FOR SUNDRY ARMORY EXPENSES. Chap.246

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the chief quartermaster of the national guard, formerly the quartermaster general, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:— Appropriations, department of chief quartermaster of the national guard.

For the salary of the chief quartermaster, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars. Chief quartermaster, salary.

For the salary of the superintendent of armories, eighteen hundred dollars. Superintendent of armories.

For the salaries of the clerks and assistants, ten thousand dollars. Clerks and assistants.

For the salary of the watchman at the state arsenal, eight hundred dollars. Watchman at state arsenal.

For incidental and contingent expenses, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars. Incidental, etc., expenses.

For quartermaster's supplies, a sum not exceeding sixteen thousand five hundred dollars. Quartermaster's supplies.

For care and maintenance of the camp ground and buildings at Framingham, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars. Camp ground at Framingham.

Armorer and assistants.

For the salaries of armorers and assistants of the first class, a sum not exceeding sixty-seven thousand five hundred and eighty-five dollars.

Armories, first class.

For maintenance of armories of the first class, a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars.

Armories, second class.

For rent and maintenance of armories of the second class, a sum not exceeding three thousand six hundred and fifty dollars.

Armories, third class.

For rent and maintenance of armories of the third class, a sum not exceeding six thousand three hundred dollars.

Batteries of artillery.

For allowance to batteries of artillery of the volunteer militia, forty-eight hundred dollars.

Expert assistance, etc.

For expert assistance, the employment of which may be exempt from the civil service rules, in the disbursement of certain money to the officers and enlisted men of the national guard for compensation and allowances, a sum not exceeding twelve hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 4, 1917.

Chap. 247 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE REFORMATORY FOR WOMEN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, reformatory for women.

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding one hundred twenty-three thousand one hundred and nine dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the reformatory for women, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seven-teen.

Sewage disposal.

For the town of Framingham, toward the annual expense of maintaining the system of sewage disposal at said reformatory, the sum of six hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 4, 1917.

Chap. 248 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE TO INCUR ADDITIONAL INDEBTEDNESS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CAMBRIDGE CEMETERY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Cambridge may borrow money for improve-

SECTION 1. The city of Cambridge, for the purpose of grading, filling, and improving the Cambridge cemetery,

may raise by taxation the sum of ten cents on each one thousand dollars of taxable property in that city, and when the said sum has been raised the city may incur indebtedness to an amount not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, and may issue bonds or notes therefor. Such bonds or notes shall be denominated on the face thereof, Cambridge Cemetery Improvement Loan, Act of 1917, shall be signed by the city treasurer and countersigned by the mayor, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within ten years after its date. The amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

ments in Cambridge cemetery.

Cambridge Cemetery Improvement Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. The said city, at the time of authorizing said loan, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed in this act, and when such provision has been made the amount required therefor shall annually, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the city, in the same manner as other taxes, until the said debt is extinguished.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 4, 1917.

AN ACT TO VALIDATE THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF NEW MARLBOROUGH IN THE PRESENT YEAR. *Chap. 249*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The acts and proceedings of the town of New Marlborough at the annual town meeting, or any adjournment thereof, in the current year, and all acts done in pursuance thereof, are hereby confirmed and made valid, to the same extent as if the said meeting had been held and conducted in strict compliance with law.

Annual town meeting of town of New Marlborough validated.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 4, 1917.

Chap.250 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF SURGEON OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, department of the chief surgeon of the national guard.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the chief surgeon of the national guard, formerly the surgeon general, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Chief surgeon, salary.
Medical supplies, etc.

For the salary of the chief surgeon, twelve hundred dollars.

For medical supplies for use of the national guard, and for incidental and contingent expenses of the chief surgeon, including clerical services and printing the annual report, a sum not exceeding forty-seven hundred and forty-five dollars.

Examination of recruits.

For expenses in connection with the examination of recruits for the national guard, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 4, 1917.

[1900, 250; 1903, 242, 302; 1907, 230; 1908, 100; 1914, 250.]

Chap.251 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF REVERE TO BORROW MONEY FOR CONSTRUCTING A GRAMMAR SCHOOL AND FOR OTHER PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Revere may borrow money for constructing a grammar school, etc.

SECTION 1. The city of Revere may incur debt, in excess of the statutory limit, but otherwise subject to all provisions of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, as amended, for the following purposes: for constructing and equipping a grammar school and of obtaining land therefor, to an amount not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars; for constructing trunk sewers, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars; and for widening and rebuilding Central avenue and Ocean avenue, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 4, 1917.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE ORGANIZATION AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE UNION CEMETERY IN THE TOWN OF CHATHAM. *Chap.252*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The acts and proceedings of Seth Ryder, John Emery, Joshua Eldridge, Enoch E. Howes, Joseph Atwood, Jr., Nathaniel Snow, John W. Atwood, Hiram Harding, Joseph Emery and their associates in organizing as a corporation the Union Cemetery, in the town of Chatham, and the subsequent proceedings of the above named persons, their associates and successors under said organization are hereby confirmed and made valid; and the said Union Cemetery is hereby established as a legally existing corporation, with all the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties, limitations and restrictions set forth in all general laws now or hereafter in force relating to such corporations; and those persons who are legally or equitably entitled to lots in the cemetery belonging to the said corporation, or the legally designated representatives of their heirs or devisees, if such persons are deceased, shall be the members of the said corporation at its meeting next following the passage of this act.

Organization and proceedings of the Union Cemetery in Chatham, validated.

Members of the corporation defined.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 4, 1917.

[1902, 486; 1903, 197; 1904, 131; 1905, 403; 1906, 328.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SOUTH DEERFIELD WATER SUPPLY
DISTRICT TO FURNISH WATER IN THE TOWNS OF DEER-
FIELD AND WHATELY. *Chap.253*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The South Deerfield Water Supply District is hereby authorized to furnish and sell water to persons or corporations in the towns of Whately and Deerfield, and to lay and maintain water pipes and hydrants under and upon any public or private way in the towns of Whately and Deerfield adjacent to, and within one mile from, the present southerly line of said district, and within one mile from the present northerly line of said district; but any work in any public way necessary for the said purpose shall be done with the least possible hindrance to public travel, and shall be subject to the direction and approval of the selectmen of the town in which the same is performed.

South Deerfield Water Supply District may furnish water in towns of Deerfield and Whately.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 4, 1917.

[1917, 142, Spec.]

Chap. 254 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PREFERENTIAL VOTING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

NOMINATION BY PETITION OF TEN VOTERS.

Preferential voting established at municipal elections in Gloucester.

SECTION 1. The mode of nomination and election of all elective officers of the city of Gloucester to be voted for at any municipal election shall be as provided in this act. The name of a candidate shall be printed upon the ballot when a petition of nomination shall have been filed in his behalf in the manner and form and under the conditions hereinafter set forth.

Form of petition, how signed, etc.

The petition of nomination for each candidate shall be signed by not less than ten qualified voters of the city either on individual certificates in form substantially as follows, or on joint papers to the same purport:

PETITION OF NOMINATION.

Individual Certificate.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
City of Gloucester

I hereby join in a petition for the nomination of
. whose residence is at No. Street, Gloucester,
for the office of, to be voted for at the
municipal election to be held in the city of Gloucester, on
the day of, 19; and I certify that
I am qualified to vote for a candidate for said office, and
am not at this time a signer of any other certificate nomi-
nating any other candidate for the above named office;
that my residence is at No. Street,
Gloucester.

Witness: (Signed)
(Signed)

Residence of witness, No. Street, Gloucester.

The petition of nomination, of which this certificate forms a part, shall, if found insufficient, be returned to at No. Street, Gloucester.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the city clerk to furnish upon application a reasonable number of forms of individual certificates or joint nomination petitions, and of acceptances of nomination. Each certificate shall be a separate paper. All certificates shall be of uniform size as determined by the city clerk. Each certificate shall contain the name and signature of one signer thereof and no more. Each certificate shall contain the name of one candidate and no more. In case a voter has signed two or more conflicting petitions only that one of his conflicting signatures which was included in the petition first presented to the city clerk, as provided in the following section, shall be valid. The witness in each case may be any qualified voter of Gloucester, except the candidate named in the certificate.

Form of certificate, etc.

NOMINATING PETITIONS.

SECTION 3. Petitions of nomination shall be presented to the city clerk not earlier than thirty, nor later than twenty, days, before the election. The city clerk shall indorse on each petition the date upon which it was presented to him, and by whom it was presented. All papers constituting a petition of nomination shall be presented to the city clerk at one time, except as is provided in the following section.

Nominating petitions, when presented to city clerk.

AMENDMENT OF NOMINATING PETITIONS.

SECTION 4. When a petition of nomination is presented to the city clerk for filing, he shall forthwith examine the same and ascertain whether it conforms to the provisions of this act. If found not to conform thereto, he shall then and there in writing on the petition state the reason why the petition cannot be filed, and shall within three days, return the same to the person therein designated for the purpose. The petition may then be amended and again, but not later than three days after it was returned, presented to the city clerk, as in the first instance. The city clerk shall forthwith proceed to examine the amended petition as hereinbefore provided. If either the original or the amended petition of nomination is found properly signed and witnessed as here-

Amendment of nominating petitions, etc.

inbefore provided, the city clerk shall file the same forthwith: *provided*, that no petition, amended or otherwise, shall be presented later than twenty days before the election.

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DATE OF FILING NOMINEE'S ACCEPTANCE.

Date of filing nominee's acceptance.

SECTION 5. A person nominated under this act shall file his acceptance, his signature thereto being witnessed by a qualified voter of Gloucester, with the city clerk not later than twenty days before the day of election, and in the absence of such acceptance the name of the candidate shall not appear on the ballot. The acceptance shall be substantially in the following form:

FORM OF NOMINEE'S ACCEPTANCE.

Form of acceptance.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
 City of Gloucester,
 I,....., having heretofore been nominated for the office of....., in the city of Gloucester, to be voted for at the municipal election to be held in said city on the.day of....., 19....., hereby accept the said nomination, and I hereby declare that I am a qualified voter of said city, that my residence is at No.Street, Gloucester, and that I have not become and am not a candidate for any other office to be voted for at said election.
 Witness: (Signed)
 (Signed).....
 Residence of witness:
 No.Street, Gloucester.

Petitions, etc., to be preserved.

SECTION 6. The city clerk shall preserve in his office for a period of four years from the time of the respective filing of the same all petitions of nomination and all certificates, acceptances, and memoranda belonging thereto, filed under this act, but shall thereafter destroy the same.

PUBLICATION OF LISTS OF CANDIDATES.

Publication of lists of candidates.

SECTION 7. The city clerk shall, not later than the fifteenth day before every city election, certify the list of candidates, with their residences, whose names are entitled

to appear on the ballot, as being the list of candidates nominated as required by this act, together with the offices for which they are respectively candidates, designating whether each election is for a full or an unexpired term: and shall file in his office said certified list of names and offices, and shall cause to be published before the election, in two successive issues of at least one newspaper of general circulation published in the city of Gloucester, or in any different or supplementary manner that may be required by ordinance, an election notice which shall contain said certified list of names of candidates and offices to be filled, and the time and the places of holding such election.

Election notice may be required by ordinance, etc.

Provision may also be made by ordinance for supplying the voters with information regarding the qualifications of candidates.

Qualifications of candidates to be supplied to voters.

PREPARATION OF BALLOTS.

SECTION 8. The city clerk shall cause ballots for each general and special municipal election to be prepared, printed, and authenticated as provided by the laws of the commonwealth, except as is otherwise required by this act. The ballots shall contain the full list and correct names of all the offices to be filled, and the names and residences of all the candidates nominated, respectively, therefor.

Preparation of ballots.

FORM OF BALLOT AND METHOD OF VOTING.

SECTION 9. On the ballot at the top of each group of candidates for an office shall be stated the number to be elected to that office, and in the heading of the first column in which choices are designated for every such group shall appear the words "First Choice" or, if the number to be elected to that office is more than one, "First Choices". In the heading for the second column for every such group shall in like manner appear the words "Second Choice" or "Second Choices". After the word "Choice" or "Choices" in the heading of the first and second columns for every such group shall appear the words "Not more than (here insert the number to be elected to that group)". In the heading of the third column for every such group, shall appear the words "Other Choices; as many as you wish to express": *provided, however*, that when there are but three candidates for any office, the ballot shall contain columns for the first

Form of ballot.

Proviso.

Same subject.

and second choice only for that office, and when there are fewer than three candidates for any office, all columns but one and all reference to choice for any office may be omitted. Except that the crosses here shown shall be omitted, and that in place of the names, addresses, and offices here shown shall be substituted the names and residences of the actual candidates and the offices for which they are, respectively, nominated, the ballots shall be in substantially the following form: —

General (or special) municipal election, city of Gloucester. (Inserting date thereof).

Method of voting.

Instructions. — To vote for any person make a cross (X) in the square in the appropriate column, according to your choice, at the right of the name voted for. Do not vote more than one choice for one person, as only one choice will count for any one candidate by this ballot, (and if only one candidate is to be elected to an office:) Vote your first choice in the first column; vote your second choice in the second column; vote in the third column for all the other candidates whom you wish to support; vote only one first choice and only one second choice for any one office. (But if two or more candidates are to be elected to an office:) Vote your first choices in the first column; vote your second choices in the second column; vote in the third column for all the candidates you wish to support. Vote not more than two first choices and not more than two second choices (substituting for the word "two" a number equal to the number of candidates to be elected to the office in question).

MAYOR (ONE TO BE ELECTED).	First Choice, Not More than One.	Second Choice, Not More than One.	Other Choices, As many as you wish.
Richard Roe, 8 Crescent Avenue, . . .			X
James Roe, 4 Blue Hill Street, . . .	X		
John Doe, 84 Ocean Terrace, . . .		X	
Henry Poe, 2171 Main Street, . . .			X
Louis Coe, 98 Locust Avenue, . . .			

Same subject.

ALDERMEN (FOUR TO BE ELECTED).	First Choices, Not More than Four.	Second Choices, Not More than Four.	Other Choices, As many as you wish.
John Doe, 2 Water Court,			×
James Doe, 3 Water Street,	×		
Henry Doe, 6 Water Street,		×	
Charles Doe, 8 Water Street,			×
John Brown, 10 Palace Street,	×		
James Brown, 12 Palace Street,			
Charles Brown, 14 Palace Street,		×	
John Jones, 6 Theatre Street,	×		
Henry Jones, 8 Theatre Street,			×
Charles Jones, 14 Theatre Street,			×
John Smith, 121 Board Street,			
Henry Smith, 19 Board Street,	×		
James Smith, 53 Lime Street,			×
William Smith, 42 Hay Street,		×	
Fred. Brown, 19 Brick Street,			
John Brown, 21 White Street,			×
Thomas Brown, 22 Black Street,		×	

SECTION 10. As many spaces shall be left below the printed names of the candidates for each office to be voted for as there are candidates to be elected to that office, wherein the voter may write the names and residences of any person for whom he may wish to vote.

Number of blank spaces to be left.

WHAT SHALL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT.

SECTION 11. The names and residences of candidates for the same office shall be printed on the ballot in the order in which they may be drawn by the city clerk, whose duty it shall be to make such drawing and to give each candidate an opportunity to be present thereat personally or by one representative. Nothing on the ballot shall be indicative of the source of the candidacy or of the support of any candidate. No ballot shall have printed thereon any party or political designation or mark, and there shall not be appended to the name of any candidate any such party or political designation or mark, or anything indicating his

What shall appear on the ballot.

Ballot to contain questions submitted to voters.

views or opinions. There shall also appear on the ballot all questions required by law, or by this act, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the city.

DISTRIBUTION OF SAMPLE BALLOTS.

Distribution of sample ballots.

SECTION 12. The city clerk shall, at least ten days before the election, cause to be printed a sufficient number of sample ballots, upon paper of different color, but otherwise identical with the ballot to be used at the election, and, until other provision for their distribution is made by ordinance, shall mail a copy of the same to each registered voter.

CANVASS OF RETURNS AND DETERMINATION OF RESULTS OF ELECTION.

Canvass of returns.

SECTION 13. When the polls are closed, the precinct officers shall immediately open the ballot boxes, take therefrom and count the ballots in public view, and enter the total number thereof on the tally sheet provided therefor by the city clerk. They shall also count and enter on said tally sheet the number of the first-choice, second-choice and other-choice votes for each candidate, and make return thereof to the city clerk as provided by law.

Manner of counting votes.

Only one vote shall be counted for any candidate on any one ballot, all but the highest of two or more choices on one ballot for one and the same candidate being void.

If the number of choices voted for any one office does not exceed the number to be elected to that office, such choices shall, except as hereinbefore in this section otherwise provided, be counted as first choices.

If upon any ballot more candidates are voted for in the first-choice column for any one office than there are candidates to be elected to that office, but not more than twice that number, all such votes in the first-choice column shall be counted as votes expressing second choice for such candidates, and all votes in the second-choice column of the ballot in question for that office shall be counted as if marked in the third column. If a choice is expressed after the name of but one candidate for a given office, that choice shall be counted as a first choice for such candidate, regardless of the column in which it is marked.

If upon any one ballot candidates are voted for in the first-choice column for any one office exceeding in number twice the number of candidates to be elected to that office,

all votes upon the ballot in question for that office shall be counted as if marked in the third column. Same subject.

If upon any one ballot more candidates are voted for in the second-choice column for any one office than the number of candidates to be elected to that office, such votes shall be counted as if marked in the third column.

Except as hereinbefore provided all choices shall be counted and returned as marked on the ballot.

SECTION 14. The city clerk shall then determine the successful candidates in the following manner:— Determination of results.

The candidate or candidates for any office receiving a majority of the first-choice votes cast for candidates for that office shall, to the number required and in the order of the number of their first-choice votes beginning with the highest, be elected to that office: *provided*, that if the candidates who receive such a majority are fewer in number than the number of candidates to be elected to that office, the second-choice votes received by each candidate for that office who shall not have received a majority of first-choice votes, as aforesaid, shall then be added to the first-choice votes received by every such candidate, and the candidate or candidates receiving a majority in said first-choice and second-choice votes combined shall, to the number required and in the order of the number of first-choice and second-choice votes combined received by such candidates, beginning with the highest, be elected to that office; and *provided, further*, that if the candidates then elected are fewer in number than the number of candidates to be elected to that office, the other-choice votes received by each candidate who shall not have been elected as aforesaid, shall then be added to the first-choice and the second-choice votes received by every such candidate, and a candidate or candidates, to the number required and in the order of the number of first-choice, second-choice and other-choice votes combined beginning with the highest, shall be elected to that office. Provisos.

A tie between two or more candidates shall be decided in favor of the one having the largest number of first-choice votes. If two or more are equal in that respect, then the candidate among them having the largest number of second-choice votes shall be elected. If this will not decide, a special election shall be held. Tie votes, how decided.

Whenever the word "majority" is used in this section, it shall mean more than one half of the total number of first- "Majority," term defined.

Proviso.

choice votes cast at the election and counted and returned, as hereinbefore provided, for candidates for the office in question: *provided*, that whenever the number of candidates to be chosen to an office is two or more, the word "majority" shall mean more than half the total number of ballots on which a first choice was counted and returned for candidates for that office.

"Voter",
term defined.

SECTION 15. The term "voter", wherever it is used in this act, means a voter qualified by law to vote for candidates for the office or offices to be filled.

To be sub-
mitted to
voters at next
state election.

SECTION 16. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Gloucester at the next state election in the form of the following question on the official ballot: — "Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, to authorize preferential voting at municipal elections in the city of Gloucester, be accepted?" And if a majority of the votes cast thereon are in the affirmative, this act shall take full effect beginning with the next regular municipal election in said city; otherwise it shall be void.

City clerk,
etc., duty of,
to carry out
provisions of
the act.

SECTION 17. It shall be the duty of the city clerk and of other city officials to carry out the provisions of this act to the end that all things may be done necessary for the election of the officers next to be elected under the provisions hereof.

Certain laws,
ordinances,
etc., to con-
tinue in force,
until, etc.

SECTION 18. All laws, ordinances and regulations in force in said city when this act takes effect, not inconsistent herewith, shall continue in full force and effect until it is otherwise provided by law, ordinance or vote.

Approved April 4, 1917.

[1917, 271, Spec.]

Chap. 255 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS TO THE POSITION OF CARETAKER OF PUBLIC PLAY-
GROUNDS IN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Civil service
laws extended
to caretaker of
public play-
grounds in
Springfield.

SECTION 1. All appointments to the position of caretaker of the public playgrounds in the park department of the city of Springfield shall hereafter be made in accordance with the civil service laws and rules; but no person now holding the said position shall be required to take a civil service examination in order to retain the same.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, that such acceptance and approval occur on or before December thirty-first in the current year.

To be submitted to city council, etc.
Proviso.

Approved April 4, 1917.

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS TO THE POSITION OF SANITARY CUSTODIAN IN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.

Chap.256

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. All appointments to the position of sanitary custodian in the city of Springfield shall hereafter be made in accordance with the civil service laws and rules; but no person now holding the said position shall be required to take a civil service examination in order to retain the same.

Civil service laws extended to sanitary custodian in Springfield.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, that such acceptance and approval shall occur on or before December thirty-first in the current year.

To be submitted to city council, etc.
Proviso.

Approved April 4, 1917.

[1906, 326; 1911, 61; 1913, 506.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF FRAMINGHAM TO TAKE LAND FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Chap.257

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Framingham is hereby authorized to take in fee, not to exceed in area four acres, land to be used for a public school, subject to the provisions of general law applicable to such takings not otherwise inconsistent herewith.

Town of Framingham may take land for school purposes.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 5, 1917.

[1917, 258, Spec.]

[1917, 257, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF FRAMINGHAM TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

Chap.258

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Framingham, for the purpose of constructing, equipping and furnishing additional school

Town of Framingham may borrow

money for additional school accommodations.

Framingham School Loan, Act of 1917.

houses in that town is hereby authorized to borrow money, in excess of the statutory limit, to an amount not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, and to issue bonds or notes therefor, each authorized issue thereof to constitute a separate loan. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Framingham School Loan, Act of 1917, and also the words, Exempt from Taxation in Massachusetts; shall be payable at the expiration of periods not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates of issue, shall bear interest, payable semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the selectmen of the town. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem expedient, but not for less than their par value.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 2. The town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years from its date; and the amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. The assessors of the town shall, without further action by the town, annually assess such sums as may be needed to pay the interest on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, in the same manner as other town taxes.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 5, 1917.

Chap. 259 AN ACT TO REVIVE THE CORPORATION KNOWN AS THE BAY STATE METAL CORPORATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Bay State Metal Corporation revived.

SECTION 1. The Bay State Metal Corporation, which was dissolved by chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Special Acts of the current year, is hereby revived with the same powers, duties and obligations as if the said chapter had not been passed.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 5, 1917.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PRIMARY ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF *Chap.260*
EVERETT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. This act shall apply only to the city of Everett. Except as is otherwise provided herein, there shall not be printed on the official ballots to be used at any annual or special city election the name of any person as a candidate for mayor, alderman, common councilman or member of the school committee unless such person be nominated as such candidate at a city primary election to be held as provided in this act. There shall not be printed on the official ballots to be used at a city primary election the name of any person as a candidate unless such person shall have filed, within the time limited by section four of this act, the statement of the candidate and the petition accompanying the statement described in that section.

Primary elections in Everett.

SECTION 2. Except as is otherwise provided herein, on the third Tuesday preceding every annual or special city election at which a mayor, or any member of the school committee or of either branch of the city council is to be elected, there shall be held a city primary election for the purpose of nominating candidates for such offices as are to be filled at such annual or special city election. No special election for the election of mayor, or of an alderman or common councilman, shall be held until after the expiration of forty days from the calling of the special city primary election, which is to be held on the third Tuesday preceding such special election. At every city primary election the polls shall be kept open during such hours as shall be fixed by the board of aldermen and, except as is otherwise provided in this act, every such city primary election shall be called by the same officers and held in the same manner as an annual city election, and polling places shall be designated, provided and furnished, official ballots, special ballots, ballot boxes, voting lists, specimen ballots, blank forms, apparatus and supplies shall be provided for every such city primary election of the same number and kind, and in the same manner, and by the same officials as at an annual city election, and the same election officers shall officiate as at an annual city election.

Date of city primary election, etc.

Aldermen to fix polling hours, etc.

SECTION 3. The provisions of law relating to election officers, voting places for elections, election apparatus and

Laws relating to elections to apply, except.

blanks, calling and conduct of elections, manner of voting at elections, counting and recounting of votes at elections, corrupt practices and penalties, shall apply to the city primary elections, except as is otherwise provided in this act.

Names of candidates to appear upon primary ballot.

Proviso.

SECTION 4. Any person who is qualified to vote for a candidate for mayor, alderman, common councilman or member of the school committee, and who is a candidate for nomination for any of the said offices may have his name, as such candidate printed on the official ballots to be used at a city primary election: *provided*, that he shall, at least ten days prior to such city primary election, file with the city clerk a statement in writing of his candidacy in substantially the following form: —

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE.

Form of statement of candidate.

I, (), on oath declare that I reside at (number, if any) on (name of street), in the city of Everett, that I am a voter therein qualified to vote for a candidate for the hereinafter mentioned office; that I am a candidate for nomination for the office of (mayor, alderman, common councilman or member of the school committee) for (state the term), to be voted for at the city primary election to be held on Tuesday, the day of , 19 , and I request that my name be printed as such candidate on the official ballots to be used at said city primary election.
(Signed)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex, ss.

Subscribed and sworn to on this day
of , 19 , before me.
(Signed)

Justice of the Peace.
(Or Notary Public.)

Petition to be filed.

Every such candidate shall at the same time file with the statement the petition of at least twenty-five voters of the city qualified to vote for a candidate for the said office. The petition shall be in substantially the following form: —

PETITION ACCOMPANYING STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE.

Form of petition.

Whereas (name of candidate) is a candidate for nomination for the office of (mayor, alderman, common councilman or member of the school committee) for (state the term), we,

the undersigned voters of the city of Everett, duly qualified to vote for a candidate for the said office, do hereby request that the name of said (name of candidate), as a candidate for nomination for said office, be printed on the official ballots to be used at the city primary election to be held on the Tuesday of , 19 . We further state that we believe him to be of good moral character and qualified to perform the duties of the office.

Same subject.

Name of Voter.	Street number, if any.	Street.

No acceptance by a candidate for nomination named in the petition shall be necessary for its validity or for its filing, and the petition need not be sworn to.

Acceptance and oath unnecessary.

SECTION 5. Women who are qualified to vote for members of the school committee may be candidates for nomination for that office at any city primary election at which any candidate for nomination for that office is to be voted for, and, at such election, may vote for candidates for nomination for that office, but for candidates for no other office. Women who are candidates for members of the school committee shall file the statement of a candidate, and the petition accompanying the statement, hereinbefore required to be filed by male candidates for nominations for that office.

Women may be candidates for school committee.

Statement and petition to be filed.

SECTION 6. On the first day, not being Sunday or a legal holiday, following the expiration of the time for filing the above described statements and petitions, the city clerk shall cause to be published in one or more newspapers published in the city the names and residences of the candidates for nomination who have duly filed the above mentioned statements and petitions, and the offices and terms for which they are candidates for nomination, as they are to appear on the official ballots to be used at the city primary election. The city clerk shall thereupon prepare the ballots to be used at the city primary election and shall cause them to be printed, and the ballots so prepared shall be the official ballots, and the only ballots, used at the said election. They shall be headed as follows: —

Publication of list of candidates.

City clerk to prepare official ballots.

OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT.

Form of official primary ballot.

Candidates for Nomination for Mayor, Alderman, Common Councilman and School Committee of the City of Everett. At a City Primary Election held on the day of , in the year nineteen hundred and .

(The heading shall be varied in accordance with the offices for which nominations are to be made.)

Number of blank spaces to be left, etc.

SECTION 7. Except as is otherwise provided herein, the name of each person who has filed a statement and accompanying petition as aforesaid, and his residence and the title and term of the office for which he is a candidate for nomination shall be printed on said ballots, and the names of no other candidates shall be printed thereon. Blank spaces shall be left at the end of each list of candidates for nomination for the different offices, equal to the number to be nominated therefor, in which the voter may insert the name of any person not printed on the ballot for whom he desires to vote for nomination for such office. There shall be printed on said ballot such directions as will aid the voter; for example, "vote for one", "vote for two", and the like; and, except as is otherwise provided herein, special ballots, headed:—

Directions to voter.

OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT.

Form of special ballot for school committee.

Candidates for Nomination for Members of School Committee of the City of Everett. At a City Primary Election held on the day of , in the year nineteen hundred and , and containing the names and residences of the same candidates for nomination for member of the school committee as are on the regular official ballots furnished for such city primary election, and the title and term of that office, shall be prepared in like manner and printed for the use of women qualified to vote for members of the school committee.

Party or political designations prohibited.

SECTION 8. No ballot used at any annual or special city election or at any city primary election shall have printed thereon any party or political designation or mark, and there shall not be appended to the name of any candidate any such party or political designation or mark, or anything showing how he was nominated, or indicating his views or opinions.

Who are qualified to vote.

SECTION 9. Voters qualified to vote at city elections shall be qualified to vote at the city primary elections.

SECTION 10. The election officers shall immediately, upon the closing of the polls at city primary elections, count the ballots and ascertain the number of votes cast in the voting places where they officiate, for each person for nomination for each office, and shall make return thereof to the city clerk forthwith upon blanks to be furnished as in city elections.

Counting of votes, etc.

SECTION 11. On the first day, not being Sunday or a legal holiday, following the city primary election, the city clerk shall canvass the returns so received from the election officers, and shall forthwith publish the result of the canvass in one or more newspapers published in said city.

Canvassing the returns and publication of result.

SECTION 12. Except as is otherwise provided herein, the two persons receiving at a city primary election the highest number of votes for nomination for an office shall be the candidates, and the only candidates, for that office whose names shall be printed on the official ballots to be used at the annual or special city election for the making of nominations for which the city primary election was held, and if two or more persons are to be elected to the same office at such annual or special city election the several persons, to a number equal to twice the number so to be elected, receiving at such city primary election the highest number of votes for nomination for that office shall be the candidates, and the only candidates, for that office whose names shall be printed on the official ballots to be used at the annual or special city election.

Nominations, how determined.

If the primary election results in a tie vote among candidates for nomination receiving the smallest number of votes, which, but for the tie vote, would entitle the person receiving such number to have his name printed upon the official ballots for the election, all candidates participating in such tie vote shall have their names printed upon the official ballots, although thereby there be printed upon them the names of candidates to a number exceeding twice the number to be elected.

Tie vote, among certain candidates to cause name to be printed upon ballot.

SECTION 13. If, at the expiration of the time for filing statements of candidates to be voted for at any city primary election, not more than twice as many such statements have been filed with the city clerk for the office of mayor, alderman or school committee as there are persons to be elected to said offices respectively, then the candidates whose statements have thus been filed shall be deemed to have been nominated for said offices respectively, and their names shall

Persons filing statements shall be deemed nominated, when.

Same subject. be used at such annual or special city election, and the city clerk shall not print said names upon the ballot to be used at said primary election, and no other nomination or nominations for said offices shall be made. And if in any ward, at the expiration of the time for filing statements of candidates to be voted for at any city primary election, not more than twice as many such statements have been filed with the city clerk for the office of councilman as there are persons to be elected to said offices respectively, then the candidates whose statements have thus been filed shall be deemed to have been nominated for said offices respectively, and their names shall be printed on the official ballot to be used at such annual or special city election, and the city clerk shall not print said names upon the ballot to be used at said primary election, and no other nominations for said offices shall be made. And if it shall appear that no names are to be printed upon the official ballot to be used at any city primary election in any ward or wards of the city, or in the city at large, then no primary election shall be held in any such ward or wards, or in the city at large.

When no primary need be held.

Acceptance not required.

Election, how determined.

SECTION 14. No acceptance of a nomination made at a city primary election shall be necessary for its validity.

SECTION 15. At city elections, other than the above described city primary elections, the person receiving the highest number of votes for an office shall be deemed and declared elected to that office; and if two or more persons are to be elected to the same office, the several persons, to the number to be chosen to the office, receiving the highest number of votes shall be deemed and declared to be elected; but persons receiving the same number of votes shall not be deemed to be elected if thereby a greater number would be elected than are by law to be chosen. On ballots to be used at annual or special city elections blank spaces shall be left at the end of each list of candidates for the different offices, equal to the number to be elected thereto, in which the voter may insert the name of any person not printed on the ballot for whom he desires to vote for such office.

Number of blank spaces to be left on ballots.

Certain laws pertaining to elections to apply.

SECTION 16. Except as is otherwise provided in this act, the laws of the commonwealth governing annual city elections, special elections of city officers and special elections in cities shall, so far as they may be applicable, govern such elections in the said city.

Repeal.

SECTION 17. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, affecting only the city of Everett, are hereby repealed,

and no acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith shall hereafter apply to the said city.

SECTION 18. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Everett at the annual state election in November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and the form of the question to be placed upon the ballot shall be as follows: — “Shall chapter _____ of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, being ‘An Act relative to primary elections in the city of Everett’, be accepted?” and if a majority of the voters voting thereon shall vote in the affirmative this act shall take effect.

To be submitted to voters at the next state election.

SECTION 19. So much of this act as authorizes its submission to the voters of the said city shall take effect upon its passage, but it shall not take further effect until accepted by the voters of the city as herein provided.

Time of taking effect.

Approved April 5, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PLACE UPON THE PENSION ROLL THE NAME OF MICHAEL BIRMINGHAM. Chap. 261

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The mayor of the city of Boston is hereby authorized to place upon the pension roll of the city the name of Michael Birmingham, who, was formerly a member of the fire alarm and police signal service of the city and who, after twenty-five years of continuous service, was given a leave of absence on account of accidents sustained in the course of his employment. The said pension shall be paid monthly, and shall be equal to one half of the compensation which the said Birmingham was receiving as a member of the police signal service at the time when given leave of absence as aforesaid.

City of Boston may pension Michael Birmingham.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur on or before the first day of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

To be submitted to city council, etc. Proviso.

Approved April 5, 1917.

[Accepted April 24, 1917.]

11869, 462; 1871, 218; 1872, 213, 256; 1874, 288; 1880, 133; 1883, 17, 256, 274; 1884, 281, 283; 1887, 161; 1888, 167; 1890, 167; 1891, 111; 1892, 261, 363; 1893, 400; 1901, 508; 1906, 509; 1907, 479; 1908, 610; 1909, 458; 1910, 658; 1913, 456.]

Chap.262 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE WATER SUPPLY OF THE CITY OF LYNN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Certain terms defined.

SECTION 1. The words "works", "means", "appliances", and "fixtures", or any of them, as used in section one of chapter five hundred and eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and one, shall be taken to include a power transmission line with necessary and convenient poles, conductors, and other apparatus for the construction and maintenance of the same, for the purpose of conducting electric current to any pumping station or stations erected by the city of Lynn under the provisions of said act: *provided, however*, that no easement for the purpose of constructing or maintaining such power transmission line shall be taken in private lands other than those in which an easement may have been taken by the city of Lynn for the purpose of constructing a pipe line or conduit to convey the waters of Ipswich river, or for the purpose of erecting said pumping station or stations as provided by said chapter five hundred and eight.

Proviso.

City of Lynn may acquire land in town of North Reading.

SECTION 2. The city of Lynn may purchase or take by eminent domain, in the town of North Reading any land or lands necessary for the construction and maintenance of a proper and convenient way or bridge, to connect any pumping station or stations of said city with a public way.

Description of lands, etc., to be recorded.

SECTION 3. The said city shall, within sixty days after the taking of any lands, rights of way, or easements, for any of the purposes set forth in section one of this act, file and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county and district within which such lands or other property are situated, a description thereof sufficiently specific for identification, with a statement of the purposes for which the same are taken, signed by the mayor of said city; and the city shall pay all damages to property sustained by any person by the taking of any land or easement under authority of this act. Any person sustaining damages as aforesaid, who fails to agree with the said city as to the amount thereof, may have the same assessed and determined in the manner provided by law in the case of land taken for highways, on application at any time within the period of one year from the taking of such land or easement.

Damages, how assessed and determined.

SECTION 4. The provisions of any existing law authorizing the city of LYNN to sell bonds, notes, or scrip for the purpose of extending and improving its water supply, shall apply to any expenditures authorized by the provisions of this act: *provided, however*, that nothing herein shall be construed as empowering the said city to issue bonds in excess of the amount already authorized by existing law for said purpose.

Certain provisions of law to apply to expenditures hereunder.

Proviso.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 6, 1917.

[1915, 271, Spec.]

AN ACT REPEALING THE CHARTER OF THE YARMOUTH WATER COMPANY.

Chap.263

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter two hundred and seventy-one of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, being an act to incorporate the Yarmouth Water Company, is hereby repealed.

Charter of Yarmouth Water Company repealed.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 10, 1917.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REPRODUCING THE MANUSCRIPT COLLECTION DESIGNATED "MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES".

Chap.264

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The secretary of the commonwealth is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the purpose of purchasing a suitable machine and equipment, and for other expenses in connection with the reproduction of the manuscript collection designated "Massachusetts Archives", now in the department of the said secretary.

Secretary of the commonwealth to reproduce manuscript collection designated "Massachusetts Archives."

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 10, 1917.

[1913, 486.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF MEDFORD TO BORROW ADDITIONAL MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING A NEW CITY HALL.

Chap.265

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Medford, for the purpose of completing the city hall, now in process of construction in

City of Medford may borrow additional money

to construct
new city hall.

that city, as authorized by chapter four hundred and eighty-six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, may issue from time to time bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, in addition to the amounts heretofore authorized to be issued for the purpose of building a new city hall, and the same shall not be reckoned in determining the statutory limit of indebtedness of the city. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Medford City Hall Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date; and the amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. Said bonds or notes shall bear interest payable at such rates, not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, as the board of aldermen shall determine, and shall be signed by the mayor and treasurer and countersigned by the auditor. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purpose herein specified.

Medford City
Hall Loan,
Act of 1917.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 2. The said city shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one of this act; and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum which will be sufficient to pay the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid by the city, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the city annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 10, 1917.

Chap. 266 AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SUNDRY MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, sundry miscellaneous expenses.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the common-

wealth from the ordinary revenue, unless it is otherwise specified, to wit: —

For new construction and improvements at the state normal school at Bridgewater, under the direction of the board of education, as provided by chapter one hundred and thirty-one of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, a sum not exceeding one hundred and forty-nine thousand dollars, to be in addition to the appropriation made in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen for the same purpose.

Improvements
at Bridgewater
normal school.

For reimbursing cities and towns for loss of taxes on land used for state institutions and purposes as certified by the tax commissioner for the fiscal year ending on November thirtieth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, a sum not exceeding forty-four thousand five hundred dollars.

Reimbursing
cities and
towns for loss
of taxes on
certain land.

For the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as authorized by chapter one hundred and sixty-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, and subject to the conditions therein set forth, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars.

Massachusetts
Institute of
Technology.

For the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, as authorized by chapter eighty-seven of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, and subject to the conditions therein set forth, the sum of fifty thousand dollars.

Worcester
Polytechnic
Institute.

For expenses incurred by the sergeant-at-arms and approved by the governor and council, under the provisions of an order of the house of representatives dated June first, nineteen hundred and sixteen, for an investigation of the acoustics of the house chamber, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

Investigation
of acoustics
of house of
representatives
chamber.

For compensation and expenses, with the approval of the attorney-general, for damages arising from accidents taking place on state highways, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, to be paid from the fees received for the registration of motor vehicles.

Damages from
accidents on
state highways.

For expenses approved by the treasurer and receiver general in carrying out the provisions of the act to impose a tax on collateral legacies and successions, a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Imposing tax
on collateral
legacies and
successions.

For the payment of pensions to retired judges of the superior court, a sum not exceeding forty-seven hundred twelve dollars and seventy cents.

Pensions to
retired judges
of superior
court.

For allowances for repairs to clothing of the national guard for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and sixteen, with

Repairs to
clothing of
national guard.

the approval of the adjutant general, the sum of nineteen hundred and twenty-two dollars.

Clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency for Norfolk county.

For clerical assistance to the register of the court of probate and insolvency for the county of Norfolk, a sum not exceeding thirty-three dollars and thirty-four cents, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Annuity to Fannie S. Butler.

For an annuity to Fannie S. Butler, as authorized by chapter eight of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Annuity to Wilma D. Bent.

For an annuity to Wilma D. Bent, as authorized by chapter nine of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred eighty-three dollars and thirty-four cents.

Annuity to Emma E. De Shazo.

For an annuity to Emma E. De Shazo, as authorized by chapter ten of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Maintenance of certain educational exhibit.

For expenses incurred by the board of education for maintenance of the educational exhibit at the Panama-Pacific international exposition, as authorized by chapter twelve of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars.

Repair, etc., of books in the state library.

For the repair, preservation and binding of books and pamphlets in the state library, to be approved by the trustees thereof, as authorized by chapter thirteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Annuity to Olive A. Parenteau.

For an annuity to Olive A. Parenteau of Springfield, as authorized by chapter fourteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars.

Certain annuities.

For annuities to certain members of the Wampanoag tribe of Indians residing in the town of Lakeville, as authorized by chapter fifteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.

Reimbursing city of Northampton for the support of certain schools.

For the city of Northampton for the maintenance and support of Smith's Agricultural School and Northampton School of Industries, as authorized by chapter sixteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Dunbar Avenue Garage Company, of Boston.

For the Dunbar Avenue Garage Company, of Boston, as a refund of an overpayment of a corporate franchise tax, as authorized by chapter seventeen of the resolves of the present year, the sum of one hundred thirty-nine dollars and seventy-two cents.

For the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the Special Acts of the present year, the sum of three thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this association.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

For additional clerical assistance in the office of the treasurer and receiver general, as authorized by chapter two of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding nine hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Clerical assistance in office of treasurer and receiver general.

For allowance for mileage to the messengers of the general court, as authorized by chapter six of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding seventeen hundred dollars.

Mileage to messengers of the general court.

For clerks and assistants in the state library, as authorized by chapter twenty-five of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Clerks and assistants in the state library.

For salaries and expenses incurred by the commission to compile information and data for the use of the constitutional convention, as authorized by and subject to the conditions of chapter twenty-eight of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Commission to compile information, etc., for constitutional convention.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 10, 1917.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MONTEREY WATER COMPANY. *Chap. 267*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Jasper H. Bills, Charles W. Gregory, Elmer J. Kinne, John T. Burke, Clarence Kinne, Mary T. Whitney, Julius D. Miner, Carrie Deland, Bert E. Tryon, Delmore C. Tryon and Henry L. Langhaar, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of Monterey Water Company for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of the town of Monterey with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic and other purposes; with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in all general laws now or hereafter in force applicable to such corporations.

Monterey Water Company incorporated.

SECTION 2. The said corporation, for the purposes aforesaid, may take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, the water of any wells, springs, or streams within the town of

May take lands, water rights, etc.

Monterey as may be approved by the state department of health; and, may take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, any real estate within said territory necessary for holding and preserving the water or for conveying the same to any part of the said town; and may erect on the land thus acquired proper dams, buildings, fixtures and other structures, and may make excavations, procure and operate machinery, and provide such other means and appliances as may be necessary for the establishment and maintenance of complete and effective water works; and may construct and lay down conduits, pipes and other works, under or over any lands, water courses, railroads, railways or public or private ways and along any such ways in such manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same; and for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and repairing such conduits, pipes and other works, and for all proper purposes of this act, said corporation may dig up any such lands, and, under the direction of the selectmen of the town in which said ways are situated, may enter upon and dig up the same in such manner as to cause the least hindrance to public travel.

May lay
pipes, etc.

Not to enter
upon railroad
location, except,
etc.

The said corporation shall not enter upon, construct, or lay any pipes, conduits or other works within the location of any railroad corporation, except at such time and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or, in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the public service commission.

May purchase
aqueducts, etc.

SECTION 3. The said corporation may purchase from the owner of any aqueduct or water pipes now used in furnishing water to the inhabitants of said territory all his estate, property, rights and privileges, and by such purchase shall become subject to all the liabilities and duties pertaining thereto.

Description of
lands, etc., to
be recorded.

SECTION 4. The said corporation shall, within sixty days after the taking of any land, rights of way, water rights, water sources or easements as aforesaid, file and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county and district within which such land or other property is situated, a description thereof sufficiently specific for identification, with a statement of the purpose for which the same was taken, signed by the president of the corporation.

Damages
to be paid.

SECTION 5. The said corporation shall pay all damages to property sustained by any person or corporation by the taking of any land, right of way, water, water source, water right or easement, or by any other thing done by said cor-

poration under the authority of this act. Any person or corporation sustaining damages as aforesaid, who fails to agree with said corporation as to the amount thereof, may have the same determined in the manner provided by law in the case of land taken for the laying out of highways, on application at any time within the period of two years after the taking of such land or other property or the doing of other injury under the authority of this act; but no such application shall be made after the expiration of said two years. No assessment of damages shall be made for the taking of any water, water right, or for any injury thereto, and said period of two years shall not begin to run, until the water is actually withdrawn or diverted by said corporation under the authority of this act.

Damages, how determined, upon failure to agree, etc.

SECTION 6. The said corporation may distribute water through the town of Monterey, may regulate the use of said water and fix and collect rates to be paid for the use of the same; and may make such contracts with any individual or corporation to supply water for the extinguishment of fires, or for other purposes, as may be agreed upon by any individual or corporation and said corporation.

May fix water rates, etc.

SECTION 7. The said corporation may, for the purposes set forth in this act, hold real estate not exceeding in value ten thousand dollars; and the whole capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

May hold real estate.

Capital stock.

SECTION 8. The said corporation may issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage of its franchise and other property to an amount not exceeding its capital stock actually paid in and applied to the purposes of its incorporation.

May issue bonds, etc.

SECTION 9. The town of Monterey shall have the right at any time to take or purchase the franchise, corporate property, and all rights and privileges of said corporation, on payment to said corporation of the total cost of its franchise, works and property of any kind, held under the provisions of this act, including interest on each expenditure from its date to the date of taking or purchase, as hereinafter provided, at the rate of five per cent per annum. In case the town shall desire to exercise the rights given hereunder and shall be unable to agree with said corporation upon the amount of the total cost of the franchise, corporate property, rights and privileges of said corporation as aforesaid, the supreme judicial court shall have jurisdiction in equity to ascertain and fix such total cost under the foregoing pro-

Town of Monterey may take over property.

Total cost of franchise, etc., how determined.

visions, and to enforce the rights of said town to take possession of said franchise, corporate property, rights and privileges, as aforesaid, upon payment of the cost to said corporation. The authority to take the said property is granted on condition that the taking shall first be assented to by the said town by a two thirds vote of the voters present and voting thereon at an annual town meeting, or at a meeting legally called for the purpose.

Voters' assent
necessary to
take property.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 10, 1917.

Chap. 268 AN ACT TO PLACE THE JANITORS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE TOWN OF ARLINGTON UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Janitors of
public schools
of Arlington
placed under
civil service.

SECTION 1. The janitors of the public schools of the town of Arlington shall hereafter be subject to the civil service laws and regulations, and their tenure shall be permanent, except that they may be removed in accordance with said laws and regulations; but the janitors now in service may continue therein without civil service examination.

To be sub-
mitted to
voters.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the town of Arlington at the next annual town meeting, and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters present and voting thereon.

Approved April 10, 1917.

[1907, 524.]

Chap. 269 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE INSTALLATION OF WATER METERS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Installation of
water meters
in Boston.

The provisions of section one of chapter five hundred and twenty-four of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven shall not apply to the city of Boston for the period of one year after the passage of this act, so far as such provisions relate to the equipment with water meters of five per cent of the water services in that city which were unmetred on the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and seven.

Approved April 10, 1917.

[1888, 79; 1895, 3; 1908, 490.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS *Chap. 270*
IN THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD.*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Section ten of chapter seventy-nine of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, as amended by section two of chapter four hundred and ninety of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight, is hereby further amended by striking out the first sentence, and inserting in place thereof the following:—The said town shall at the annual town meeting held in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen elect by ballot three persons to hold office, one for the term of three years, one for the term of two years and one for the term of one year, who shall constitute the board of water commissioners; and at each annual town meeting thereafter shall elect by ballot one person to hold office for the term of three years. Every commissioner elected as aforesaid shall also hold office until the election and qualification of his successor. The term of office of the present members of the board of water commissioners shall terminate upon the election and qualification of their successors at the next annual town meeting as provided in this section,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 10.* The said town shall at the annual town meeting held in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen elect by ballot three persons to hold office, one for the term of three years, one for the term of two years and one for the term of one year, who shall constitute the board of water commissioners; and at each annual town meeting thereafter shall elect by ballot one person to hold office for the term of three years. Every commissioner elected as aforesaid shall also hold office until the election and qualification of his successor. The term of office of the present members of the board of water commissioners shall terminate upon the election and qualification of their successors at the next annual town meeting as provided in this section. All the authority granted to the town by this act, and not otherwise specially provided for, shall be vested in said board of water commissioners, who shall also have the same power and authority in regard to lands, water sources and structures heretofore acquired by said town, for the purpose of water supply; the said commissioners shall be subject however to such instructions, rules and

1888, 79, § 10,
etc., amended.Board of water
commissioners
in Brookfield,
election, etc.

Vacancies.

regulations as said town may impose by its vote, and a majority of said commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Any vacancy occurring in said board from any cause shall be filled until the next annual town meeting in the manner provided by section three hundred and eighty-nine of chapter five hundred and sixty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven.

Approved April 10, 1917.

[1917, 254, Spec.]

Chap.271 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS TO THE CHIEF OF THE GLOUCESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Civil service laws extended to chief of the Gloucester fire department.

SECTION 1. The provisions of chapter nineteen of the Revised Laws and of all acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, and the civil service rules made thereunder, and all acts now or hereafter in force relating to the appointment and the removal of members of the fire department of the city of Gloucester shall apply to the chief of said department, but no examination shall be required of the present incumbent.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Gloucester at the municipal election for the current year, and if accepted by a majority of the voters voting thereon shall thereupon take effect; otherwise it shall not take effect.

Approved April 10, 1917.

[1917, 184, Spec.]

Chap.272 AN ACT TO PLACE THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD AND CERTAIN ENGINEERS UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chief engineer of the fire department of New Bedford and certain assistants placed under civil service laws.

SECTION 1. The chief engineer of the fire department of the city of New Bedford, and the first, second, and third assistant engineers of the department shall hereafter be subject to, and shall have the benefit of, the civil service laws and the rules and regulations made thereunder; but this act shall not require the passing of any examination by the present holders of the said offices.

Vacancies.

SECTION 2. A vacancy in the office of chief engineer may at any time be filled by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council. All vacancies in the office of

assistant engineer shall be filled by appointment by the chief engineer, subject to confirmation by the mayor and board of aldermen.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of New Bedford, with the approval of the mayor.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

Approved April 10, 1917.

[1916, 311, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SUBMISSION OF PLANS TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FALL RIVER RELATING TO THE ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES IN AND ALONG QUEQUECHAN RIVER.

Chap. 273

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section four of chapter three hundred and eleven of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by striking out the word "April", in the fifteenth line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — October, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 4.* The commission shall give one or more public hearings on the proposed work to all persons interested, which shall be held in the city of Fall River, after notice of the time and place thereof has been advertised in one or more newspapers published in said city. Thereafter the commission shall adopt definite plans, and shall cause to be prepared careful estimates of the total cost of acquiring necessary property, easements, or rights, and the cost of constructing the various works, and shall then give further public hearing to persons interested, with like notice. The said plans, and any modifications thereof, shall be submitted to, and before construction is begun, shall be approved by, the state department of health. The commission shall submit to the city council of Fall River, not later than the first day of October in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, a full report, giving in detail plans and estimates of the total cost of the proposed work. Within thirty days after the receipt of the report the city council shall take such action thereon as shall seem proper, or may refer the same to the commission for revision or suggested changes. If they are so referred, the commission shall reconsider the plans, and may resubmit them with such changes and modifications as it shall approve. The plans may be referred and resubmitted as many times as the city council may deem necessary. If the plans as originally submitted, or as changed, are finally approved

1916, 311 (S),
§ 4, amended.

Time extended for submitting to the city council of Fall River plans relative to the abatement of nuisances along the Quequechan river.

Action to be taken thereon, when.

Disapproval of plans to terminate commission.

by the city council, said commission shall forthwith proceed with the construction of the proposed work. But should the city council finally vote to disapprove said plans, the commission shall thereupon cease to exist.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 11, 1917.

Chap.274 AN ACT TO REVIVE THE CORPORATION KNOWN AS THE COLUMBIA SECURITIES COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Columbia Securities Company, charter revived.

SECTION 1. The Columbia Securities Company, a corporation which was dissolved by chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby revived with the same powers, duties and obligations as if the said chapter had not been passed.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 11, 1917.

[1852, 210; 1866, 201; 1869, 355; 1874, 163; 1875, 44; 1885, 340; 1887, 73; 1889, 155; 1892, 185; 1894, 91; 1895, 339; 1896, 114, 278; 1900, 305; 1906, 81; 1907, 265, 514; 1908, 267, 357; 1909, 293; 1910, 290; 1911, 407, 476, 580; 1916, 114, Spec.]

Chap.275 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF PITTSFIELD TO EXTEND ITS SYSTEM OF WATER SUPPLY INTO THE TOWN OF LANESBOROUGH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Pittsfield may extend its water supply system into the town of Lanesborough.

SECTION 1. The city of Pittsfield is hereby authorized to extend its water main five hundred feet from its present situation on North street into the town of Lanesborough, and, to the extent and upon such terms as may be agreed upon by said city and town, may supply water to the inhabitants of the town in the vicinity of said extension, and to the town for the extinguishment of fires, with authority to lay such service pipes and install such hydrants as may be required.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur on or before December thirty-first in the current year.

Proviso.

Approved April 11, 1917.

[1915, 373, Spec.; 1916, 237, Spec.]

AN ACT INCREASING THE SUM WHICH THE CITY OF CHICOPEE MAY BORROW FOR THE ERECTION OF A HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING. Chap.276

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and thirty-seven of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by striking out the word "two", in the fourth line, and inserting in place thereof the word:—four,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 1.* The city of Chicopee, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a high school and of procuring land therefor, may incur indebtedness, in excess of the statutory limit, to an amount not exceeding four hundred thousand dollars, and may issue therefor bonds or notes to be denominated on the face thereof, Chicopee High School Loan, Act of 1916. Such bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer of the city, countersigned by the auditor and approved by the mayor, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the respective dates thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

1916, 237 (S), § 1, amended.

City of Chicopee may borrow money for the erection of a high school building.

Chicopee High School Loan, Act of 1916.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 12, 1917.

[1877, 103; 1892, 321, 384; 1896, 89; 1901, 410; 1909, 406.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF CHICOPEE TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE ENLARGEMENT AND EXTENSION OF WATER MAINS AND THE ERECTION OF STANDPIPES. Chap.277

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Chicopee, for the purpose of enlarging and extending water mains, of erecting standpipes, and of providing the necessary pumping stations, may incur indebtedness, in excess of the statutory limit, to an amount

City of Chicopee may borrow money for the extension of water mains, etc.

Chicopee
Water Loan,
Act of 1917.

not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, and may issue therefor bonds or notes to be denominated on the face thereof, Chicopee Water Loan, Act of 1917. Such bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer of the city, countersigned by the auditor and approved by the mayor, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the respective dates thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years after its date. The amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 2. The city shall, at the time of authorizing said loan, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one; and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its water works, and the interest as it accrues on all bonds or notes issued on account of its water system, together with such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act shall, without further vote, be assessed and collected by the city annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 12, 1917.

[1917, 195, Spec.]

Chap.278 AN ACT TO PLACE THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF HOLYOKE UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chief of
Holyoke fire
department
placed under
civil service
laws.

To be sub-
mitted to
voters, etc.

SECTION 1. The chief of the fire department of the city of Holyoke shall hereafter be subject to the civil service laws and the regulations made thereunder.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters of said city voting thereon at the next municipal election. *Approved April 12, 1917.*

AN ACT TO VALIDATE AN ELECTION IN THE TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY. *Chap.279*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The election of town officers in the town of South Hadley held on the fifth day of March, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and the vote taken by said town on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, are hereby confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if all provisions of law thereto relating had been fully complied with.

Election, etc., in the town of South Hadley validated.

Approved April 12, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF QUINCY TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING ABATEMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF TAXES OF THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN. *Chap.280*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Quincy, for the purpose of refunding to parties interested and reimbursing the treasury for loss on account of tax abatements made by the board of assessors of said city for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen on account of the levy of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, may incur indebtedness, in excess of the statutory limit, to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and may issue bonds or notes therefor to be denominated on the face thereof, Quincy Refunding Loan, Act of 1917. Said bonds or notes shall be signed by the city treasurer and countersigned by the mayor; shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum; and shall be payable by such annual payments beginning not more than one year after the date thereof as will extinguish each loan within five years after its date. The amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds thereof, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

City of Quincy may borrow money to refund abatements on account of taxes, etc.

Quincy Refunding Loan, Act of 1917.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 2. The city, at the time of authorizing said loan, shall provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed by this act, and when such provision has been made, the amount required therefor shall annually, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors in the same manner as other taxes until the said debt is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

(The foregoing was laid before the governor on the sixth day of April, 1917, and after five days it had "the force of a law", as prescribed by the constitution, as it was not returned by him with his objections thereto within that time.)

Chap.281 AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MASSACHUSETTS CREDIT UNION ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Massachusetts
Credit Union
Association
incorporated.

SECTION 1. Felix Vorenberg, Edward A. Filene, Abraham K. Cohen and Max Mitchell, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of Massachusetts Credit Union Association, to be located in Boston or in such other city or town in this commonwealth as the corporation may determine, and with the rights and powers and subject to the duties and obligations hereinafter granted or imposed.

Officers,
terms, etc.

SECTION 2. The government of said corporation shall be vested in such officers and in a board of directors to consist of such number and to be chosen in such manner as the by-laws of the corporation may prescribe. The by-laws may also prescribe the manner in which and the terms under which persons may become members of the corporation.

Purposes
defined.

SECTION 3. The purposes of the corporation shall be to disseminate information in respect to the benefits of credit unions authorized by chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen and acts in amendment thereof and supplementary thereto; to organize and assist in the organization of credit unions; to make loans to credit unions at a rate not exceeding six per cent per annum, and generally to promote and assist credit unions.

May loan
money to
credit unions.

SECTION 4. Credit unions are hereby authorized, subject to the approval of the bank commissioner, to borrow money from the corporation hereby established.

SECTION 5. The said corporation, if and whenever the by-laws so provide, may issue to its members from time to time such amount as its directors may determine of capital stock in shares of not less than five dollars, par value, and at no time in the aggregate exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, payable in cash at par. The corporation may by its by-laws provide for fixing the amount of such capital stock, for the issue thereof, and for determining the rights and powers of the holders of shares.

Capital stock.

By-laws to regulate capital stock.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 13, 1917.

AN ACT IN AID OF THE WESTPORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. *Chap.282*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Westport Agricultural Society, situated in the town of Westport, shall be entitled to receive the bounty provided for by section one of chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the Revised Laws, as amended by chapter one hundred and thirty-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, as affected by chapter two hundred and sixty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, by chapter two hundred and forty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, and by chapter two hundred and nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen and as further amended by chapter two hundred and seventy-six of the said acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, to the same extent as if the said chapter two hundred and seventy-six had not been passed.

Westport Agricultural Society may receive certain bounty.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 13, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WAREHAM TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC WHARF AND TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR. *Chap.283*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Wareham is hereby authorized to take by right of eminent domain, or otherwise to acquire, and to hold and maintain for a public wharf, so much land not exceeding one acre, in that part of Wareham called Onset, as may be deemed necessary for the purpose by the

Town of Wareham may establish a public wharf.

Public landing. selectmen; and the town may construct and maintain upon the land so acquired, subject to the approval of the commission on waterways and public lands, as provided by the statutes in relation to wharves within tide waters, a wharf suitable for the landing of all persons travelling in boats, and for the landing of merchandise.

Selectmen may make rules and regulations, and prescribe penalties.

SECTION 2. The powers conferred by this act upon the town of Wareham may be exercised by the selectmen, who shall also have power to make rules and regulations governing the use of said property, and to prescribe penalties for the violation thereof, for the purpose for which the same is acquired under this act. Such regulations shall be subject to the approval of a majority vote of the town, if so required by the voters thereof. The selectmen shall have authority to appoint a custodian of said property and to fix his compensation, to be paid by the town.

Custodian.

Description of lands, etc., to be recorded.

SECTION 3. Whatever property is taken under the provisions of this act shall be in accordance with the laws governing the taking of land for the laying out of highways; and, the selectmen shall file in the registry of deeds for the county of Plymouth a plan showing the property and the highway and shore connected therewith as they then exist, together with a statement, signed by the selectmen, stating that the property so shown is taken under authority of this act for the purposes thereof; and upon such filing the property described in the statement shall vest in the town.

May issue bonds, etc.

SECTION 4. For the purpose aforesaid, the town of Wareham is hereby authorized to raise and appropriate, and to borrow, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and to issue notes or bonds of the town therefor; and the town is also authorized to raise and appropriate annually such sums of money as may be deemed necessary by the voters of the town to maintain said property for the purposes authorized by this act.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 5. The town shall, at the time of authorizing a loan under authority hereof, provide for the payment thereof by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date of each loan, as will extinguish each loan within ten years from its date, and the amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of notes or bonds shall constitute a separate loan. The notes or bonds shall

bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as the treasurer may deem expedient, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purposes specified herein.

SECTION 6. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the town of Wareham within one year after its passage, either at the annual town meeting, or at a special meeting called for the purpose by the selectmen in the same manner in which an annual meeting is called, and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters present and voting thereon.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

Approved April 13, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF PITTSFIELD TO TAKE LAND IN THE TOWN OF LANESBOROUGH FOR MILITARY PURPOSES. *Chap. 284*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Pittsfield is hereby authorized, acting by its city council at any time within five years after the passage of this act, to take, or acquire by purchase or lease or otherwise, for the purpose of providing suitable grounds or ranges for parade, drill or small arms practice for the national guard or other public military organizations permanently stationed within said city, any lands within the town of Lanesborough not already appropriated to public use.

City of Pittsfield may take land in the town of Lanesborough for military purposes.

SECTION 2. No land shall be taken hereunder except with the consent of the selectmen of said town. Any taking or purchase hereunder shall be in the manner prescribed by section one hundred and thirty of chapter six hundred and four of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight; and any damage occasioned by the taking of land, or any right therein, or by the doing of any other act authorized hereby, shall be ascertained, assessed and recovered as provided in said section.

Selectmen to consent to the taking of land, etc.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 16, 1917.

Chap.285 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION AND FOR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, constitutional convention.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the purposes of the constitutional convention to be convened under authority of chapter ninety-eight of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, to wit:—

Members, compensation.

For the compensation of the members, a sum not exceeding two hundred and forty thousand dollars.

Mileage.

For the compensation of the members for mileage, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

Expenses, primaries and elections.

For expenses, to be approved by the secretary of the commonwealth, necessarily incurred in administering so much of the law as relates to nominations and nomination papers and to preparing for primaries and elections, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

Telephones, etc.

For expenses, to be approved by the sergeant-at-arms, for telephones and other necessary facilities, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Other expenses.

For such other expenses, subject to the approval of the governor and council, as shall be deemed proper, a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 16, 1917.

Chap.286 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACUSHNET PROCESS COMPANY TO BUILD A DAM IN THE ACUSHNET RIVER IN THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD AND TOWN OF ACUSHNET.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Acushnet Process Company may build a dam across the Acushnet river between New Bedford and Acushnet.

SECTION 1. The Acushnet Process Company, its successors and assigns, may, subject to the provisions of section sixteen of chapter ninety-six of the Revised Laws, and of chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the Revised Laws, and amendments thereof, and additions thereto, build and maintain a dam extending in, over and across the Acushnet river from said company's lands in Acushnet near the Slocum street bridge to land of the First Congregational Church

of New Bedford in New Bedford for the purpose of supplying power and water to mills and factories.

SECTION 2. The said dam shall not be maintained at such a height or in such manner as to flow back the water in said river to a height greater than the same is at mean high tide at the place of erection of said dam, which said height at mean high tide shall, be determined as soon as may be by the commission on waterways and public lands and indicated by a permanent monument or bench mark.

Height of dam, how determined, etc.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 16, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF STURBRIDGE TO SUPPLY ITSELF AND ITS INHABITANTS WITH WATER. *Chap. 287*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Sturbridge may supply itself and its inhabitants with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic, manufacturing and other purposes; may establish fountains and hydrants and relocate or discontinue the same; and may regulate the use of such water and fix and collect rates to be paid therefor.

Town of Sturbridge may supply itself with water.

SECTION 2. Said town, for the purposes aforesaid, may take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold the waters of any pond or stream or of any ground sources of supply by means of driven, artesian or other wells within the limits of the town, and the water rights connected with any such water sources, and may also take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold all lands, rights of way and easements necessary for collecting, storing, purifying and preserving the water, and for conveying the same to any part of said town: *provided, however,* that no source of water supply and no lands necessary for preserving the quality of the water shall be taken without first obtaining the advice and approval of the state department of health, and that the situation of all dams, reservoirs and wells to be used as sources of water supply under this act shall be subject to the approval of said department. Said town may construct on the lands held under the provisions of this act, proper dams, reservoirs, standpipes, tanks, buildings, fixtures and other structures, and may make excavations, procure and operate machinery and provide such other means and appliances and do such other things as may be necessary for the establishment and maintenance

May take water rights, lands, etc.

Proviso.

May construct reservoirs, etc.

Same subject.

of complete and effective water works; and for that purpose may construct wells and reservoirs and establish pumping works, and may construct, lay and maintain aqueducts, conduits, pipes and other works under and over any land, water course, railroad, railway and public or other way, and along such ways in the town of Sturbridge, in such manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same; and for the purpose of constructing, laying, maintaining, operating and repairing such conduits, pipes and other works, and for all other proper purposes of this act, said town may dig up or raise and embank any such lands, highways, or other ways, in such manner as to cause the least possible hindrance to public travel. Said town shall not enter upon, construct or lay any conduits, pipes or other works within the location of any railroad corporation, except at such time and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or, in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the public service commission.

Not to enter upon railroad location, except, etc.

Description of lands, etc., to be recorded.

SECTION 3. Said town shall, within ninety days after the taking of any lands, rights of way, water rights, water sources or easements as aforesaid, file and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the southern district of the county of Worcester a description thereof sufficiently specific for identification, with a statement of the purpose for which the same were taken, signed by the water commissioners hereinafter provided for. The title to all land acquired under the provisions of this act shall vest in the town of Sturbridge, and the land so acquired shall be managed, improved and controlled by the board of water commissioners hereinafter provided for, in such manner as they shall deem for the best interest of the town.

Title to land to vest in town.

Damages, how paid and determined.

SECTION 4. Said town shall pay all damages to property sustained by any person or corporation by the taking of any land, right of way, water, water source, water right, or easement, or by any other thing done by said town under authority of this act. Any person or corporation sustaining damages as aforesaid and failing to agree with the town as to the amount thereof, may have the same determined in the manner provided by law in the case of land taken for the laying out of highways, on application at any time within the period of two years after the taking of such land or other property or the doing of other injury under authority of this act; but no such application shall be made after the expiration of the said two years, and no assess-

ment of damages shall be made for the taking of any water, water right, or for any injury thereto, and said period of two years shall not begin to run until the water is actually withdrawn or diverted by the town under authority of this act. Said town may by vote, from time to time, determine what amount or quantity of water it proposes to take and appropriate under this act; in which case any damages caused by such taking shall be based upon such amount or quantity until the same shall be increased by vote or otherwise, and in such event the town shall be further liable only for the additional damages caused by such additional taking.

Town to determine quantity of water to be taken, etc.

SECTION 5. Said town, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred, and to be incurred, under the provisions of this act, may issue from time to time bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Town of Sturbridge Water Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable at the expiration of periods not exceeding thirty years from the date of issue; shall bear interest, payable semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum; and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by the water commissioners hereinafter provided for. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper; but they shall not be sold for less than their par value.

Town of Sturbridge Water Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 6. Said town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with the provisions of section fourteen of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, and all acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, in such manner that any loans issued under authority of this act shall be paid within the period above specified; and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum, which with the income derived from the water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating the water works or the purchasing of water and the maintenance of its pipe lines, as the case may be, and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter, in the same manner as

Payment of loan.

other taxes, until the debt incurred by the said loan or loans is extinguished.

Penalty for pollution of water.

SECTION 7. Whoever wilfully or wantonly corrupts, pollutes or diverts any water taken or held under this act, or injures any structure, work or other property owned, held or used by said town under authority of this act, shall forfeit and pay to the town three times the amount of damages assessed therefor, to be recovered in an action of tort; and upon being convicted of any of the above wilful or wanton acts shall be punished by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year.

Board of water commissioners, election, etc.

SECTION 8. Said town shall, after its acceptance of this act, at the same meeting at which the act is accepted or at a subsequent meeting called for the purpose, elect by ballot three persons to hold office, one until the expiration of three years, one until the expiration of two years and one until the expiration of one year from the next succeeding annual town meeting, to constitute a board of water commissioners; and at each annual town meeting thereafter one such commissioner shall be elected by ballot for the term of three years. All the authority granted to the said town by this act, and not otherwise specifically provided for, shall be vested in said water commissioners, who shall be subject however to such instructions, rules and regulations as the town may impose by its vote. A majority of said commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Any vacancy occurring in said board from any cause may be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by said town at any legal town meeting called for the purpose. Any such vacancy may be filled temporarily by a majority vote of the selectmen, and the person so appointed shall hold office until the town fills the vacancy in the manner specified herein. If said town does not elect a board of water commissioners, the board of selectmen shall constitute said board.

Vacancies.

Selectmen to act, when.

To fix water rates, etc.

SECTION 9. Said commissioners shall fix just and equitable prices and rates for the use of water, and shall prescribe the time and manner of payment. The income of the water works shall be applied to defraying all operating expenses, interest charges, and payments on the principal as they accrue upon any bonds or notes issued under authority of this act. If there should be a net surplus remaining after providing for the aforesaid charges it shall be used

Net surplus, how used.

for such new construction as the water commissioners may determine upon, and in case a surplus should remain after payment for such new construction the water rates shall be reduced proportionately. No money shall be expended in new construction by the water commissioners except from the net surplus aforesaid, unless the town appropriates and provides money therefor. Said commissioners shall annually, and as often as the town may require, render a report upon the condition of the works under their charge and an account of their doings, including an account of receipts and expenditures.

Expenditure of money on new construction limited, unless, etc.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters of the town of Sturbridge present and voting thereon at any legal meeting called for the purpose within three years after its passage; but the number of meetings so called in any one year shall not exceed three; and for the purpose of being submitted to the voters as aforesaid this act shall take effect upon its passage.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

Approved April 16, 1917.

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS TO THE CITY MARSHAL OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE.

Chap.288

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The provisions of chapter nineteen of the Revised Laws, and all acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, and the civil service rules and regulations made thereunder, and all acts now or hereafter in force relating to the appointment and removal of police officers, shall apply to the city marshal of the city of Lawrence.

Civil service laws extended to city marshal of Lawrence.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Lawrence at the next municipal election, and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters voting thereon.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

Approved April 16, 1917.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CITY OF METHUEN.

Chap.289

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The inhabitants of the town of Methuen, shall continue to be a body corporate and politic, under the name of the City of Methuen, and as such shall have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities,

City of Methuen, incorporated.

and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations provided for herein or by statute or otherwise pertaining to cities as municipal corporations.

Re-division
into wards, etc.

SECTION 2. Upon the acceptance of this act the selectmen of the town then in office shall forthwith divide the territory thereof into five wards, so that the wards will contain, as nearly as may be consistent with well defined limits, an equal number of voters, and they shall designate the wards by number. The wards may in any year fixed by law for a new division of wards in cities, be changed by a vote of the municipal council with the assent of the mayor; but the number of the wards shall never be less than five.

First municipal
election, date,
etc.

The selectmen, for the purpose of the first preliminary election held according to the provisions of this act and of the first municipal election which shall take place on the third Tuesday of December next succeeding the acceptance of this act, shall provide suitable polling places and give notice thereof, and shall at least ten days before said preliminary election appoint all proper election officers therefor; and they shall in general have the powers and perform the duties of the mayor and board of aldermen in cities under chapter eight hundred and thirty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, the provisions of which, so far as they may be applicable, shall apply to said election; and the town clerk shall perform the duties therein assigned to city clerks. The registrars shall cause to be prepared and published according to law lists of qualified voters in each of the wards established by the selectmen.

Town clerk and
registrars,
duties.

First meeting
of mayor, coun-
cil and school
committee.

SECTION 3. The selectmen shall notify the persons elected at the said first election, and shall provide and appoint a place for the first meeting of the mayor and council on the first Monday in January next ensuing; and shall, by written notice left at their respective places of residence at least twenty-four hours prior to such meeting, notify the mayor elect and councilmen elect, who shall immediately proceed to organize and carry into effect the provisions of this act, which shall thereupon have full force and effect. The selectmen shall, in like manner, appoint a place and time for the first meeting of the school committee, and shall notify the members thereof.

Mayor, election,
term, etc.

SECTION 4. There shall be a mayor, elected by and from the qualified voters of the city, who shall be the chief executive officer of the city. He shall hold office for the term of

two years from the first Monday in January following his election and until his successor is elected and qualified.

SECTION 5. The legislative powers of the city shall be vested in a city council, composed of seven members, one of whom shall be elected from each of the five wards by and from the qualified voters of that ward, and the remaining members shall be elected at large by and from the qualified voters of the city. One of the members shall be elected annually by the council as its president. At the first city election after the acceptance of this act the councillors elected from each ward shall serve for one year and those elected at large, for two years from the first Monday of January following their election and until their successors are elected and qualified. And at each annual city election thereafter their respective successors shall be elected to serve for two years.

City council,
election, terms
of office, etc.

SECTION 6. All heads of departments and members of municipal boards, trustees of the Nevins Memorial, but excluding the school committee, and officials appointed by the governor, shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council; but the city solicitor shall be appointed by the mayor without such confirmation.

Mayor to
appoint certain
heads of de-
partments, etc.

SECTION 7. The mayor, with the approval of a majority of the members of the city council, may remove any head of a department or member of a board before the expiration of his term of office, except members of the school committee and officials appointed by the governor. The person so removed shall receive the reasons for his removal in writing, and he may contest the same at a hearing to be given by the city council, at which he shall have the right to be represented by counsel.

May remove
certain officials,
except, etc.

Hearing.

SECTION 8. The mayor shall receive for his services such salary as the city council by ordinance shall determine, not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars a year, and he shall receive no other compensation from the city. His salary shall not be increased or diminished during the term for which he is elected. The council may, by a two thirds vote of all its members, taken by call of the yeas and nays, establish a salary for its members not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars each a year. Such salary may be reduced, but no increase therein shall be made to take effect during the year in which the increase is voted.

Mayor, salary.

Council.

SECTION 9. Every order, ordinance, resolution and vote relative to the affairs of the city, adopted or passed by the

Mayor to
approve or
disapprove
orders, etc.

city council, shall be presented to the mayor for his approval. If he approves it he shall sign it; if he disapproves it he shall return it, with his objections in writing, to the city council, which shall enter his objections at large on its records, and again consider it. If the city council, notwithstanding such disapproval of the mayor, shall again pass the order, ordinance, resolution or vote by a two thirds vote of all the members of the city council, it shall then be in force, but the vote shall not be taken for seven days after its return to the city council. Every such order, ordinance, resolution and vote shall be in force if it is not returned by the mayor within ten days after it is presented to him. Nothing in this section shall be construed as superseding or in any way affecting any provision of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen.

Passage of measures, over mayor's veto.

Orders, etc., not returned, when in force.

Placing names on official ballots, etc.

SECTION 10. Except as is otherwise provided herein, there shall not be printed on the official ballots to be used at any annual or special city election the name of any person as a candidate for any office mentioned in this act unless such person be nominated as such candidate at a preliminary election for nominations, to be held as provided in this act. There shall not be printed on the official ballots to be used at a preliminary election for nominations the name of any person as a candidate for nomination at such preliminary election, unless such person shall have filed, within the time limited by section twelve of this act, the statement described in section twelve.

Preliminary election for nominations, date, etc.

SECTION 11. On the third Tuesday preceding every city election at which any officer mentioned in this act is to be elected, there shall be held a preliminary election for the purpose of nominating candidates for such offices as, under the provisions of this act, are to be filled at such city election. Voters qualified to vote at a city election shall be qualified to vote at a preliminary election. No special election for mayor or any other officer shall be held until after the expiration of forty days from the calling of the preliminary election, except as is otherwise provided herein. At every annual, preliminary, and special election the polls shall be opened at forty-five minutes past five o'clock in the forenoon and shall be kept open until four o'clock in the afternoon. The laws of the commonwealth relative to annual city elections shall apply to all preliminary, special and annual elections held under this act, except as is other-

Certain election laws to apply.

ballots to be used at the preliminary election to be held on the _____ Tuesday of _____, nineteen hundred and _____. We further state that we believe him to be of good moral character and qualified to perform the duties of the office.

Acceptances and oath not necessary.

No acceptance by a candidate for nomination named in the said petition shall be necessary for its validity or for its filing, and the petition need not be sworn to. The petition may be on one or more papers.

Women may be candidates for and vote for school committee, etc.

SECTION 13. Women who are qualified to vote for members of the school committee may be candidates for nomination for that office at any preliminary election at which candidates for the same are to be voted for, and at such preliminary election may vote for, and only for, candidates for nomination thereto. They shall file the above described statement of the candidate and the petition accompanying the statement of the candidate in all cases where the same are hereby required to be filed by male candidates for nomination to that office.

Names of candidates to be posted, when.

SECTION 14. On the first day, not being Sunday or a legal holiday, following the expiration of the time for filing the above described statements and petitions, the city clerk shall post in a conspicuous place in the city hall the names and residences of the candidates for nomination who have duly filed the above mentioned statements and petitions, as they are to appear on the official ballots to be used at the preliminary election, except as to the order of the names, and shall cause the ballots to be printed, and the ballots so prepared shall be the official ballots and the only ballots used at the preliminary election. They shall be headed as follows:—

OFFICIAL PRELIMINARY BALLOT.

Official preliminary ballot, heading.

Candidates for nomination for the offices of (_____) in the city of Methuen. At a preliminary election to be held on the _____ day of _____ in the year nineteen hundred and _____. (The heading shall be varied in accordance with the offices for which nominations are to be made.)

Names, etc., on ballot, order of.

SECTION 15. The name of each person, and of none other, who has filed a statement and accompanying petition as aforesaid with his residence and the title and term of the office for which he is a candidate for nomination, shall be printed on said ballots under the designation of said office

in the order in which they may be drawn by the city clerk, whose duty it shall be to make such drawing and to give each candidate an opportunity to be present in person or by one representative. Blank spaces shall be left at the end of each list of candidates for nomination for the different offices equal to the number to be nominated therefor, in which the voter may insert the name of any person not printed on the ballot for whom he desires to vote for nomination for such office. There shall be printed on said ballots such directions as will aid the voter, as for example, "vote for one", "vote for two", and the like.

Blank spaces,
number of.

There shall also be a ballot headed as follows:—

OFFICIAL PRELIMINARY BALLOT FOR WOMEN.

Candidates for nomination for members of school committee of the city of Methuen. At a preliminary election held on the _____ day of _____ in the year nineteen hundred and _____

Official preliminary ballot
for women,
heading, etc.

Then shall follow the names and residences of the same candidates for nomination for school committee as are on the regular official ballot for such preliminary election, and the titles and term of that office. The said ballots shall be prepared in like manner and printed for the use of women qualified to vote for members of the school committee.

SECTION 16. No ballot used at any preliminary, special or annual city election shall have printed thereon any party or other political designation or mark, and there shall not be appended to the name of any candidate any such party or other political designation or mark, or anything showing how he was nominated, or indicating his views or opinions.

Political or
party designa-
tions, etc.,
prohibited.

SECTION 17. The election officers shall, immediately upon the closing of the polls at preliminary elections, count the ballots and ascertain the number of votes cast in the voting places where they officiate for each person for nomination for each office, and shall forthwith make return thereof to the city clerk upon blanks to be furnished as in city elections.

Counting of
ballots and
return of
votes.

SECTION 18. On the first day, not being a legal holiday, following the preliminary election, the city clerk shall canvass the returns received from the election officers, and shall forthwith determine the result of the canvass and publish the same in one or more newspapers published in the city, and shall post the same in a conspicuous place in the city hall.

Canvass of
returns and
publication
of result.

Preliminary election, results, how determined.

SECTION 19. If any person receives at a preliminary election a majority of all the votes cast for the office for nomination to which he was a candidate, he shall be deemed and declared elected thereto, provided that at said election at least eighty per cent of the total registered vote of the city shall be cast; otherwise the two persons receiving at a preliminary election the highest and second highest number of votes, respectively, for any office, shall be the candidates and the only candidates for that office whose names shall be printed on the official ballots to be used at the succeeding annual or special city election. If two or more persons are to be elected to the same office at such annual or special election, the several persons, to a number equal to twice the number so to be elected to such office, receiving the highest number of votes for nomination for that office, or all such persons if less than twice the number of those so to be elected, shall be candidates, and the only candidates, for that office whose names shall be printed on the official ballots to be used at such annual or special city election. The names shall be printed on the ballots under the designation of the respective offices for which they are candidates in the order in which they may be drawn by the city clerk as provided in section fifteen. In case two or more persons should receive an equal number of votes for the same office at any preliminary election held under this act, the names of all such persons shall be placed on the ballot.

Official ballots, order of names, etc.

Acceptance not necessary.

SECTION 20. No acceptance of a nomination made at a preliminary election shall be necessary for its validity.

City election, date of, etc.

SECTION 21. The first city election shall take place on the third Tuesday of December following the acceptance of this act, and thereafter the city election shall take place annually on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of December, and the municipal year shall begin and end at ten o'clock in the morning of the first Monday of January in each year.

Officials to be sworn, when, etc.

SECTION 22. On the first Monday in January at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the mayor-elect and the councillors-elect shall meet and be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. The oath may be administered by the city clerk or by any justice of the peace, and a certificate that the oath has been taken shall be entered on the journal of the city council. At any meeting thereafter the oath may be administered, in the presence of the city council, to the

mayor, or to any councillor absent from the meeting on the first Monday in January.

SECTION 23. Except as is specifically provided in this section, the legislative powers of the city council may be exercised as provided by ordinance or rule adopted by it.

Legislative powers of city council.

1. Every member of the council shall have the right to vote on any question coming before it. A majority of the council shall constitute a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a majority of all the members of the council shall be necessary to adopt any motion, resolution or ordinance.

Voting powers, quorum, etc.

2. The city council shall, from time to time, establish rules for its proceedings. Regular and special meetings of the council shall be held at a time and place fixed by ordinance. All legislative sessions shall be open to the public, and every matter coming before the council for action shall be put to vote, the result of which shall be duly recorded. A full and accurate journal of the proceedings of the council shall be kept, and shall be open to the inspection of any registered voter of the city.

Rules, meetings, sessions, etc.

3. The council shall, by a majority vote, elect a city clerk to hold office for the term of three years and until his successor is elected and qualified. He shall have such powers and perform such duties as the council may from time to time prescribe in addition to such duties as may be prescribed by law. He shall keep the records of the meetings of the council.

City clerk, election, term, etc.

The person holding the office of town clerk at the time when this act is accepted shall continue to hold office until the city clerk is elected and qualified.

Town clerk to act until, etc.

SECTION 24. The city council may at any time request from the mayor specific information on any municipal matter within its jurisdiction, and may request him to be present to answer written questions relating thereto at a meeting to be held not earlier than one week after the date of the receipt by the mayor of said questions. The mayor shall personally, or through the head of a department or a member of a board, attend such meeting and publicly answer all such questions. The person so attending shall not be obliged to answer questions relating to any other matter. The mayor at any time may attend and address the city council in person or through the head of a department or a member of a board, upon any subject.

City council may request information of mayor, etc.

Passage of ordinances.

SECTION 25. No ordinance shall be passed finally on the date on which it is introduced, except in cases of special emergency involving the health or safety of the people or their property.

Emergency measures to be defined, etc.

No ordinance shall be regarded as an emergency measure unless the emergency is defined and declared in a preamble thereto separately voted on and adjudged to be such by the affirmative vote of two thirds of the members of the city council.

Granting of franchises, how made.

No ordinance making a grant, renewal or extension, whatever its kind or nature, of any franchise or special privilege shall be passed as an emergency measure, and except as is provided in chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Laws and sections one hundred and twenty-six and one hundred and twenty-seven of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, no such grant, renewal or extension shall be made otherwise than by ordinance.

Amendment of ordinances, how made.

SECTION 26. No ordinance or part thereof shall be amended or annulled except by another ordinance adopted in accordance with the provisions of this act.

Passage at one session.

SECTION 27. Except as provided in sections twenty-five and twenty-eight, any ordinance, order or resolution may be passed through all its stages of legislation at one session: *provided*, that no member of the council objects thereto; but if any member of the council objects, the measure shall be postponed to a subsequent meeting.

Proviso.

Ordinances, etc., to be published.

SECTION 28. Every proposed ordinance or loan order, except emergency measures as hereinbefore defined, shall, at least ten days before its final passage, be published once in full in at least one newspaper of the city, and in any additional manner that may be provided by ordinance. After such final passage, it shall, in the same manner as before, again be published once, as amended and completed, except in the case of an emergency ordinance which may be passed as hereinbefore provided and which shall take effect on its passage, and shall be published in the manner specified above, at the earliest practicable moment.

Existing obligations, etc., to continue in force.

SECTION 29. All official bonds, recognizances, obligations, contracts and all other instruments entered into or executed by or to the town of Methuen before this act takes effect, and all taxes, special assessments, fines, penalties and forfeitures incurred or imposed, due or owing to the town

shall be enforced and collected, and all writs, prosecutions, actions and causes of action, except as is otherwise provided herein shall continue without abatement and remain unaffected by this act; and no legal act done by or in favor of the town shall be rendered invalid by the acceptance of this act. The city council may at its discretion publish and circulate at such times and in such manner as it may deem advisable a municipal bulletin or publication in which may be printed any ordinances or proposed ordinances and any notices required by this act to be published in one or more newspapers, and also any information which is deemed by the city council to be of benefit to the citizens by giving them knowledge of the administration of the city and of its needs and welfare, and such publication in said municipal bulletin of such ordinances and proposed ordinances and other notices required by this act to be published shall be deemed sufficient publication without the publication thereof in one or more newspapers as herein otherwise required.

Municipal
bulletin, pub-
lication of
ordinances
in, etc.

SECTION 30. The civil service laws shall not apply to the appointment of the mayor's secretaries or of the stenographers, clerks, telephone operators and messengers connected with his office, and the mayor may remove such appointees without a hearing and without making a statement of the cause for their removal.

Civil service
laws not to
apply to cer-
tain appointees
of the mayor.

SECTION 31. If a vacancy occurs in the office of mayor or in the city council before the last six months of the term of office, the city council shall order an election to fill the same for the unexpired term; and if such vacancy occurs in the office of mayor in the last six months of said term, the president of the city council shall succeed thereto for the unexpired term. If the mayor is absent or temporarily unable from any cause to perform his duties they shall be performed by the president of the city council, who shall for the time being be designated "acting mayor", and shall possess the powers of mayor only in matters not admitting of delay, but shall have no power to make permanent appointments.

Certain
vacancies,
how filled.

"Acting
mayor,"
powers and
duties.

Should an appointive officer of the city be temporarily unable for any cause to perform his duties, the council or the mayor, having the power of original appointment, may designate a temporary appointee to act until such officer shall resume his duties.

Temporary
appointments.

SECTION 32. It shall be unlawful for the mayor or any member of the city council or school committee, or for any

Certain
officials not
to make or

share in contracts, etc., with city, unless, etc.

Contracts in such cases, how signed.

Proviso.

Penalty for violation.

Proposals for certain contracts to be advertised.

officer or employee of the city, directly or indirectly to make a contract with the city, or to receive any commission, discount, bonus, gift, contribution, or reward from or any share in the profits of any person or corporation making or performing such a contract, unless the mayor, such member, officer or employee, immediately upon learning of the existence of the contract, or that such a contract is proposed, shall notify in writing as the case may be the mayor, city council or school committee of the nature of his interest in the contract, and shall abstain from doing any official act on behalf of the city in reference thereto. In case of such interest on the part of an officer whose duty it is to sign the contract on behalf of the city, the same may be signed by any other officer of the city duly authorized thereto by the mayor, or if the mayor has such interest, by the city clerk: *provided, however,* that when a contractor with the city is a corporation or a voluntary stock association, the ownership of less than five per cent of the stock or shares actually issued shall not be considered as involving an interest in the contract within the meaning of this section, and such ownership shall not affect the validity of the contract unless the city officer or employee is also an officer or agent of the corporation or association, or solicits or takes part in the making of the contract.

A violation of this section shall render the contract in respect to which such violation occurs voidable at the option of the city. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 33. No contract for construction work or for the purchase of apparatus, supplies or materials, whether the same shall be for repairs or original construction, the estimated cost of which amounts to or exceeds two hundred dollars, except in cases of special emergency involving the health or safety of the people or their property, shall be awarded unless proposals for the same shall have been invited by advertisements in at least one newspaper published in the city once a week for at least two consecutive weeks, the last publication to be at least one week before the time specified for the opening of the proposals. Such advertisements shall state the time and place where plans and specifications of the proposed work or supplies may be had, and the time and place for opening the proposals in answer to

said advertisements, and shall reserve to the city the right to reject any or all proposals. All such proposals shall be opened in public. No bill or contract shall be split or divided for the purpose of evading any provision of this act.

"Split" contracts forbidden.

SECTION 34. All contracts made by any department, board or commission in which the amount involved is two hundred dollars or more shall be in writing, and no such contract shall be deemed to have been made or executed until the approval of the mayor and of the department or board making the contract is affixed thereto. Any contract made as aforesaid may be required to be accompanied by a bond with sureties satisfactory to the board or official having the matter in charge, or by a deposit of money, certified check or other security conditioned on the faithful performance thereof, and such bonds or other securities shall be deposited with the city treasurer until the contract has in all respects been carried out; and no such contract shall be altered except by a written agreement of the contractor, the sureties on his bond, and the officer, department or board making the contract, with the approval of the mayor affixed thereto.

Mayor to approve certain contracts, etc.

Bond or other security to accompany contract, etc.

SECTION 35. At the request of any department, and with the approval of the mayor and the city council, the city council may take in fee, in the name of the city, for any municipal purpose any land within the limits of the city not already appropriated to public use. Whenever the price proposed to be paid for a lot of land for any municipal purpose is more than twenty-five per cent higher than its average assessed valuation during the previous three years, the land shall not be purchased but shall be taken by right of eminent domain and paid for in the manner provided for the taking of, and the payment of damages for, land taken for highways. No land shall be taken until an appropriation by loan or otherwise for the general purpose for which the land is needed shall have been made by the mayor and city council, by a two thirds vote of all its members; nor shall a price be paid in excess of the appropriation, unless a larger sum is awarded by a court of competent jurisdiction. All proceedings in the taking of land shall be under the advice of the law department, which shall keep a record thereof.

City council may take land for municipal purposes, etc.

Right of eminent domain, when to be exercised, etc.

SECTION 36. The school committee shall consist of the mayor, who shall be the chairman, and six members who shall be elected at large. At the first annual city election there shall be elected two members to serve for one year,

School committee, election, term, etc.

two for two years and two for three years, and annually thereafter there shall be elected two members to serve for the term of three years and until the election and qualification of their successors.

Superintendent of schools, election, etc., and appointment of certain subordinates, etc.

SECTION 37. The school committee shall elect annually a superintendent of schools, and may, under the civil service laws and regulations, appoint, suspend or remove at pleasure such subordinate officers or assistants, including janitors of school buildings, as it may deem necessary for the proper discharge of its duties and the conduct of its business; shall define their terms of service and their duties, and shall fix their compensation. No member of the school committee, except the mayor, shall, during the term for which he is elected, hold any other office or position the salary or compensation for which is payable out of the city treasury. The committee shall organize annually on the first Monday in January, and shall elect one of its members as vice chairman, whose duty it shall be to preside at all meetings of the committee at which the mayor is not present.

School committee, organization, etc.

Powers and duties.

SECTION 38. The school committee, in addition to the powers and duties conferred and imposed by law on school committees, shall have power to provide, when they are necessary, temporary accommodations for school purposes, and shall have the control of all school buildings and of the grounds connected therewith, and shall have power to make all repairs the expenditures for which are made from the regular appropriation for the school department, except as is otherwise provided herein.

To approve plans, etc., for school buildings.

SECTION 39. No site for a school building shall be acquired by the city unless the approval of the site by the school committee is first obtained. No plans for the construction of or alterations in a school building shall be accepted, and no work shall be begun on the construction or alteration of a school building, unless the approval of the school committee and the mayor therefor is first obtained. Nothing herein contained shall require such approval for the making of ordinary repairs.

To make rules and regulations.

SECTION 40. The school committee shall make all reasonable rules and regulations for the management of the public schools of the city and for conducting the business of the committee: *provided*, that such rules are not inconsistent with any laws of the commonwealth.

Proviso.

Meetings to be open to public, except, etc.

SECTION 41. All meetings of the school committee shall be open to the public, except that, when requested by not

less than four members of the committee, any particular meeting shall be private. The vote on any particular measure shall be by call of the yeas and nays, when it is so requested by not less than two members of the committee.

Yeas and nays vote, when.

SECTION 42. If a vacancy occurs in the school committee by failure to elect, or otherwise, the city council and the remaining members of the school committee shall meet in joint convention and elect a suitable person to fill the same until the next annual city election. The mayor, if present, shall preside at the convention.

Vacancies in school committee, how filled.

SECTION 43. A petition meeting the requirements hereinafter specified and requesting the city council to pass an ordinance, resolution, order or vote, except an order granted under the provisions of chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Laws and sections one hundred and twenty-six and one hundred and twenty-seven of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, or requesting the school committee to pass a resolution, order or vote, all of these four terms being hereinafter included in the term "measure", therein set forth or designated, shall be termed an initiative petition, and shall be acted upon as hereinafter provided.

Initiative petition for passage of a "measure."

SECTION 44. Signatures to initiative petitions need not be all on one paper. All such papers pertaining to any one measure shall be fastened together and shall be filed in the office of the city clerk as one instrument, with the endorsement thereon of the names and addresses of three persons designated as filing the same. With each signature to the petition shall be stated the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number, if any. Within five days after the filing of the petition the registrars of voters shall ascertain by what number of registered voters the petition is signed, and what percentage that number bears to the total number of registered voters, and shall attach thereto their certificate showing the result of such examination.

Signatures to initiative petitions.

Certification of registered voters.

The city clerk shall forthwith transmit the said certificate with the said petition to the city council or to the school committee, as the case may be, and at the same time shall send a copy of the certificate to one or more of the persons designated on the petition as filing the same.

Certificates to be sent city council, etc.

SECTION 45. If any initiative petition be signed by registered voters equal in number, except as is otherwise provided in this act, to at least twenty per cent of the whole

Action by council or school committee if initiative

petition is signed.

number of registered voters, the city council or the school committee shall, within twenty days after the date of the certificate of the registrars of voters that the petition has been signed by the required percentage of registered voters, either: —

Passage.

1. Pass said measure without alteration, subject to the referendum vote provided for by this act or,

Referendum to voters.

2. The city council shall call a special election to be held on a Tuesday fixed by it not less than thirty nor more than forty-five days after the date of the certificate hereinbefore mentioned, and shall submit the proposed measure without alteration to a vote of the registered voters of the city at that election: *provided, however*, that if any city election is otherwise to occur within ninety days after the date of said certificate the city council may, at its discretion, omit calling the special election and submit the proposed measure to the voters at such other approaching election.

Proviso.

Referendum, when petition fails.

SECTION 46. If an initiative petition be signed by registered voters equal in number to at least eight per cent but less than twenty per cent of the total number of registered voters, and said measure be not passed without alteration within twenty days by the city council or the school committee, as provided in the preceding section, then such proposed measure, without alteration, shall be submitted by the city council to a vote of the registered voters of the city at the next annual city election.

Referendum petition for passage of a "measure or part thereof protested against", etc.

SECTION 47. If within twenty days after the final passage of any measure by the city council or by the school committee a petition signed by registered voters of the city, equal in number to at least twelve per cent of the total number of registered voters, be presented to the city council or to the school committee, as the case may be, protesting against such measure or any part thereof, the same shall thereupon and thereby be suspended from taking effect; and the city council or the school committee, as the case may be, shall immediately reconsider such measure or part thereof; and if such measure or part thereof be not entirely annulled, repealed or rescinded, the city council shall submit the same, by the method herein provided, to a vote of the qualified voters of the city, either at the next regular city election, or at a special election which may, in its discretion, be called for the purpose, and such measure or part thereof shall forthwith become null and void unless a majority of the qualified voters voting on the same at such

election shall vote in favor thereof. The petition provided for by this section shall be termed a referendum petition.

The procedure in respect to the referendum petition shall be the same as that provided by section forty-six of this act, except that the words "measure or part thereof protested against" shall for this purpose be understood to replace the word "measure" in that section wherever it may occur, and that the word "referendum" shall be understood to replace the word "initiative" in that section.

Procedure, etc.

SECTION 48. For the purposes of this act, the number of registered women voters shall be counted in fixing the requisite number of signatures for initiative and referendum petitions as to measures affecting the public schools, and in respect to such measures they shall have the right to vote and to sign initiative and referendum petitions. But the number of such women voters shall not be counted in fixing the number of signatures on such petitions relating to other than school matters.

Women voters to be counted, on petitions relating to school matters only.

SECTION 49. The city council may, of its own motion, and shall, upon request of the school committee in case of a measure originating with that committee and pertaining to the affairs under its administration, submit to a vote of the registered voters of the city for adoption or rejection at a general or special city election any proposed measure, or a proposal for the annulment, repeal or amendment of any measure, in the same manner and with the same force and effect as are hereby provided for submission on petition.

City council may submit measures to voters of its own motion, etc.

SECTION 50. If two or more proposed measures passed at the same election contain conflicting provisions, that one of the measures which received the larger number of affirmative votes shall take effect, and the other, to the extent of the inconsistency, shall be void.

Measures with conflicting provisions.

SECTION 51. The ballots used in voting upon any such proposed measure shall state the nature thereof in terms sufficient to show its substance. No measure shall go into effect unless it receives the affirmative votes of at least a third of the whole number of registered voters.

Ballots to show nature of measure, etc.

SECTION 52. The passage or acceptance of this act shall not affect any rights accruing or accrued, or any suit or prosecution, or any penalty or forfeiture previously incurred or other legal proceeding pending at the time when this act takes effect, wherein the town of Methuen is a party or in any way interested. All persons then holding office in said town shall continue to hold the same, notwithstanding the

Rights, legal proceedings, etc., not to be affected, etc.

Officials to continue in office, until, etc.

passage thereof, until the organization of the city government shall be effected, and until their successors shall be elected, or appointed, and qualified. All laws, by-laws, rules and regulations, general or special, relating to the town of Methuen, in force at the time of the passage of this act, shall, until altered, amended or repealed, continue in force in the city of Methuen, so far as the same are not inconsistent herewith.

All laws, etc., to continue in force, until, etc.

Certain terms defined.

SECTION 53. The words "officer", "officers", "administrative officers", "ordinance" and the terms "registered voter" and "regular municipal election", as used in this act shall have the same meaning which they have in section one of Part I of chapter two hundred and sixty-seven of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen.

To be submitted to voters at next state election.

SECTION 54. This act shall be submitted to the legal voters of said town at the state election in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen for their acceptance or rejection. At such election the polls shall be open not less than eight hours and the vote shall be taken by ballot in answer to the following question to be placed thereon:— "Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Methuen' be accepted?" And if a majority of the votes cast thereon are in the affirmative, the same shall thereupon take full effect; but not otherwise. So much hereof as provides for its submission to the voters of said town shall take effect upon its passage.

YES.	<input type="checkbox"/>
NO.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Approved April 17, 1917.

Chap.290 AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NORTH READING WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

North Reading Water Company incorporated.

SECTION 1. Willard C. Carpenter, Albert G. Barber, Rufus B. Gage, Joseph D. Gowing, Henry A. Upton, Jared B. McLane, Henry W. Weymouth, Lawrence C. Monroe, Lewis A. Bigelow, Charles A. Quint, Foster R. Batchelder and James A. Glass, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of North Reading Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of the town of North Reading, or any part thereof, with water for domestic, manufacturing and other purposes, including the extinguishment of fires. Said corporation shall have all the powers and privileges and shall be subject

to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in all general laws now or hereafter in force applicable to water companies.

SECTION 2. Said corporation may purchase water for any or all of its corporate purposes from the town of Reading, or from any other town or corporation at the time engaged in supplying water to the inhabitants of any town adjoining the town of North Reading, and the town of Reading or any other town or corporation now or hereafter engaged in supplying water to the inhabitants of any town adjoining the town of North Reading may sell water to the corporation created by this act for any or all of its corporate purposes: *provided, however*, that the plans for such supply and the sources thereof shall first be approved by the state department of health.

May purchase water from town of Reading, etc.

Proviso.

SECTION 3. Said corporation, for the purpose aforesaid, may lease, take or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold and convey the waters, or so much thereof as may be necessary, of any ponds, springs or streams, or of any ground sources of supply, within the limits of the town of North Reading, together with any water rights connected therewith, and also all lands, rights of way and easements necessary for holding and preserving the water and for conveying the same to any part of said town; and may erect on the lands thus taken or held proper dams, buildings, standpipes, fixtures and other structures, and may make excavations, procure and operate machinery, and provide such other means and appliances, and may do such other things as may be necessary for the establishment and maintenance of complete and effective water works: *provided, however*, that no source of water supply and no lands necessary for preserving the quality of the water shall be taken or used under this act without first obtaining the advice and approval of the state department of health, and that the location of all dams, reservoirs, wells or other works for collecting or storing water under this act shall be subject to the approval of said department.

May take certain lands, etc.

Proviso.

SECTION 4. Said corporation, for the purposes aforesaid, may construct, lay and maintain aqueducts, conduits, pipes and other works, under or over any land, water courses, canals, dams, railroads, railways and public or other ways, and along any highway or other way in the town of North Reading, in such manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same; and for the purpose of constructing, laying, main-

May lay pipes, etc.

taining and repairing such aqueducts, conduits, pipes and other works, and for all purposes of this act, said corporation may dig up, raise and embank any such lands, highways or other ways in such manner as to cause the least hindrance to public travel; but all things done upon any such way shall be subject to the direction and approval of the selectmen. Said corporation shall not enter upon, construct or lay any conduits, pipes or other works within the location of any railroad corporation except at such time and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the public service commission.

Not to enter, etc., upon railroad location, except, etc.

Description of land, etc., to be recorded.

SECTION 5. Said corporation shall, within sixty days after voting to take any lands, rights of way, water rights, water sources, or easements as aforesaid, file and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county and district in which the same are situated, a description thereof sufficiently specific for identification, with a statement of the purpose for which the same were taken, signed by the president of the corporation. The recording shall operate as a taking of the real estate and rights and easements therein described.

Damages, how assessed and determined.

SECTION 6. Said corporation shall pay all damages to property sustained by any person, firm or corporation by the taking of any land, right of way, water, water source, water right or easement, or by any other thing done by said corporation under the authority of this act. Any person, firm or corporation sustaining damages as aforesaid, and failing to agree with said corporation as to the amount thereof, may have the same assessed and determined in the manner provided by law in the case of land taken for the laying out of highways, on application at any time within two years from the taking of such land or other property, or the doing of any other injury under the authority of this act. No assessment of damages shall be made for the taking of any water or water right, or for any injury thereto and said period of two years shall not begin to run, until the water is actually withdrawn or diverted by said corporation under the authority of this act.

May distribute water, fix water rates, etc.

SECTION 7. Said corporation may distribute water through the town of North Reading, or any part thereof, and may regulate the use of said water, and may fix the rates to be paid for the use of the same, subject, however, to the power now vested in the board of gas and electric

light commissioners to regulate said rates; and may collect such rates, and may make contracts with the said town, acting by their selectmen, and with any fire or water supply district now or hereafter established therein, and with any individual, corporation, department of the commonwealth or of the United States therein, to supply water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic, manufacturing or other purposes: *provided*, that in case a contract is to be made with the town, the selectmen shall first be authorized to act by a majority vote of the voters of the town qualified to vote upon a question of raising and appropriating money. Proviso.

SECTION 8. The amount of the capital stock of the corporation shall be fixed and limited at the meeting for its organization, but the corporation shall issue only such amounts of stock and bonds as may from time to time be authorized by the general laws now or hereafter in force applicable thereto. Capital stock,
amount, issue,
etc.

SECTION 9. The town of North Reading, or any one or more fire districts in said town, upon obtaining appropriate legislation to enable them to act as a water supply district, or otherwise, may purchase the property of said water company owned by it and used in supplying water, upon payment of the fair market value thereof: *provided, however*, that the said property shall not, without the consent of said water company, be purchased at less than the actual cost thereof; and in case the dividends earned and paid by said corporation, since its creation, on its stock, shall have been less than six per cent per annum, there shall be added to said cost such sum as will make the return to the stockholders equal in the aggregate to six per cent per annum on the amount paid in on the capital stock. If the water supply district or the said town, as the case may be, and the water company shall be unable to agree upon the value of said property, either party, with notice to the other, may apply to the supreme judicial court for the determination of said value. The court shall refer the application to the board of gas and electric light commissioners, who shall hear the parties and determine the value of said property, in accordance with the provisions herein prescribed, and the award of said board, when accepted by the court, shall be final. The award shall not be set aside or recommitted for error in law, unless the court is satisfied that such error has substantially affected the interests of the party complaining thereof, and in that event the court may recommit Town of
North Reading
may purchase
property.

Proviso.

Remedy in
case of dis-
agreement as
to value of
property, etc.

Right to supply water to cease, when.

the award to the board, with such directions as justice may require. Upon the acceptance of the award by the court the right of the corporation to supply water within the town of North Reading shall cease, and the town, or fire district, shall thereafter have and enjoy all the rights and privileges of the corporation necessary for the maintenance and operation of the property acquired.

Penalty for polluting water, etc.

SECTION 10. Whoever wilfully or wantonly corrupts, pollutes or diverts any water taken or held under authority of this act, or injures any structure, work or other property owned, held or used by said corporation under authority of this act, and for the purposes of this act, shall forfeit and pay to said corporation three times the amount of damages assessed therefor, to be recovered in an action of tort; and upon conviction of any of the above wilful or wanton acts, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year.

Sworn report of cost, etc., to be filed annually.

SECTION 11. A sworn report of the cost of the system to date and of the year's receipts and expenses shall be made annually by the said corporation to the selectmen of the town of North Reading, within sixty days after the close of its fiscal year.

Time of taking effect.

SECTION 12. This act shall take effect upon its passage, but shall be null and void unless the North Reading Water Company shall have begun to distribute water through its pipes to consumers in said town within three years after the date of its passage.

Approved April 17, 1917.

Chap. 291 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX ON INCOMES TO THE TOWNS OF MILLVILLE AND BLACKSTONE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Distribution of proceeds of the tax on incomes to the towns of Millville and Blackstone, in 1917.

SECTION 1. In the distribution of taxes for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen under section twenty-three of chapter two hundred and sixty-nine of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, the treasurer and receiver general shall pay to the town of Blackstone an amount equal to the difference between the amount of the tax levied upon personal property in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen in that part of said town which now constitutes said town, and the amount, computed by the

tax commissioner, that would be produced by a tax upon the personal property actually assessed in the said town for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, at the same rate of taxation which prevailed in the town of Blackstone in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, and shall pay to the town of Millville an amount equal to the difference between the amount of the tax levied upon personal property in that part of the town of Blackstone which is now the town of Millville, in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen and the amount, computed by said commissioner, that would be produced by a tax upon the personal property actually assessed in the town of Millville for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, at the same rate of taxation which prevailed in the town of Blackstone in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 18, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL AND FOR CERTAIN ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES FOR THE LAND AND NAVAL FORCES.

Chap. 292

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses in the department of the adjutant general, and for certain allowances and expenses of the land and naval forces for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

For the salary of the adjutant general, thirty-six hundred dollars.

Adjutant general, salary.

For the salary of the assistant adjutant general, eighteen hundred dollars.

Assistant adjutant general.

For clerical assistance in the adjutant general's office, a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand seven hundred dollars.

Clerical assistance.

For incidental and contingent office expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding seventy-five hundred dollars.

Incidental expenses, etc.

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, in connection with military accounts, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

Expenses, military accounts.

- Claims for death, etc., of horses. For the payment of claims for the death of, or injuries to, horses used by the militia, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.
- Injuries to members. For compensation of members of the volunteer militia for injuries received while in the discharge of their duties, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.
- Premiums on bonds. For premiums on bonds for commissioned officers, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.
- Instruction in military authority. For instruction in military authority, organization and administration, and in the elements of military art, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.
- Pay and allowances for officers and men of land and naval forces. For pay and allowances for officers and men of the land and naval forces for duty performed as authorized by section one hundred and seventy-three of chapter six hundred and four of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight, as amended by chapter five hundred and thirty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, by section one of chapter three hundred and fifty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, and by section one of chapter one hundred and five of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.
- Military maneuvers. For expenses incidental to preparing for and executing military maneuvers, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.
- Transportation. For the transportation of officers and men of the land and naval forces, when on military duty, a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars.
- Rifle practice. For expenses in connection with rifle practice, a sum not exceeding nineteen thousand dollars.
- Purchase of uniforms. For an allowance to commissioned officers toward the purchase of uniforms, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand three hundred dollars.
- Maintenance of horses. For the maintenance of horses for the national guard, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.
- Instruction in riding. For giving instruction in riding to non-commissioned officers and others who are required by law to be mounted, a sum not exceeding four thousand five hundred and thirty dollars.
- United States ship for naval militia. For furnishing, repair and care of any United States ship loaned to the commonwealth for the use of the naval militia, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.
- Aeroplanes. For the maintenance of aeroplanes, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

For allowances to the headquarters and companies of the organization of the land and naval forces, as prescribed by section two of chapter one hundred and five of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, a sum not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars: *provided*, that the adjutant general is hereby authorized to use such part of said sum as may be necessary for making adjustments within the present fiscal year between the allowances authorized by said section two of chapter one hundred and five and the allowances authorized by provisions of law thereby superseded for the care of and responsibility for military property.

Land and naval forces, allowances to headquarters and companies of.

Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 23, 1917.

[1882, 145; 1902, 287; 1904, 296.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF GARDNER TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL WATER LOAN. *Chap. 293*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Gardner, for the purposes mentioned in chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and two, may, in addition to the amounts heretofore authorized by law for the same purposes, borrow money from time to time and issue therefor negotiable bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, which shall bear on their face the words, Town of Gardner Water Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years after its date; and the amount of the annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. Said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually; and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Town of Gardner may make additional water loan.

Town of Gardner Water Loan, Act of 1917.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 2. Said town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one of this act; and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its water works, and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 23, 1917.

[1910, 344; 1916, 77, Spec.]

Chap. 294 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE POWERS OF THE METHODIST MINISTERS RELIEF INSURANCE AND TRUST ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Methodist
Ministers Re-
lief Insurance
and Trust
Association,
powers
increased.

SECTION 1. The Methodist Ministers Relief Insurance and Trust Association, a corporation established by law in this commonwealth, may, in consideration of the gift of funds to be devoted to the purposes for which it is incorporated, bind itself to pay fixed yearly sums, in one or more payments each year, to such person or persons as may be agreed upon, for a term of years or for the life of such person or persons: *provided*, that in no case shall the amount of such payments exceed sixty per cent of an annuity which said gift would have provided had it been applied to purchase an annuity on the basis of McClintock's Female Annuity Table and three and one half per cent interest.

Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 24, 1917.

[1890, 248; 1892, 247, 350; 1893, 245, 360; 1894, 95; 1895, 36; 1901, 75; 1906, 79; 1909, 182; 1913, 460.]

Chap. 295 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BROCKTON TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR SEWER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of
Brockton may
borrow money
for sewer
purposes.

SECTION 1. For the purposes specified in chapter two hundred and forty-seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two, the city of Brockton is hereby authorized to borrow, in excess of the statutory limit of in-

debtedness, the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, and may from time to time issue bonds or notes therefor, payable at periods not exceeding thirty years from the respective dates of issue. Such bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the mayor of the city, shall be denominated on the face thereof, Brockton Sewerage Loan, Act of 1917, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Brockton
Sewerage
Loan, Act
of 1917.

SECTION 2. The city shall, at the time of making said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date of each loan, as will extinguish the same within thirty years from its date; and the amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. When a vote to the foregoing effect has been passed a sum which, with the income derived from sewer rentals, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its sewer system, and the interest as it accrues on the bonds and notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the city annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 24, 1917.

[1911, 286; 1912, 153; 1915, 271, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BARNSTABLE WATER COMPANY TO FURNISH WATER TO THE TOWN OF YARMOUTH AND TO THE INHABITANTS THEREOF. Chap. 296

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Barnstable Water Company, a corporation created by chapter two hundred and eighty-six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, may extend its mains into and through the town of Yarmouth, and

Barnstable
Water Com-
pany may
furnish water
to town of
Yarmouth, etc.

may supply the inhabitants of said town, or any part thereof, with water for domestic, manufacturing and other purposes, including the extinguishment of fires.

Water supply,
sources of.

SECTION 2. Said corporation, for the purpose aforesaid, may use the same sources of water supply which it now uses or may hereafter use in supplying water to the inhabitants of the town of Barnstable under the provisions of said chapter two hundred and eighty-six.

May lay
pipes, etc.

SECTION 3. Said corporation may construct, lay and maintain aqueducts, conduits, pipes and other works under or over any land, water courses, canals, dams, railroads, railways and public or other ways, and along any highway or other way in the town of Yarmouth, in such a manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same; and for the purpose of constructing, laying, maintaining and repairing such aqueducts, conduits, pipes and other works, and for all purposes of this act, said corporation may dig up, raise and embank any such lands, highways or other ways in such manner as to cause the least hindrance to public travel; but all things done in or upon any public way or place shall be subject to the direction and approval of the selectmen of said town. Said company shall not enter upon, construct or lay any conduit, pipe or other works within the location of any railway corporation except at such times and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or, in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the public service commission.

Not to enter,
etc., upon
railway loca-
tion, except,
etc.

May fix water
rates, etc.

SECTION 4. Said corporation may distribute water through the town of Yarmouth, or any part thereof, may regulate the use of the same and may establish and fix from time to time and collect, the rates for the use of said water; and may make such contracts with said town or with any fire district now or hereafter established therein, or with any individual or corporation, to supply water for the extinguishment of fires or for such other purposes as may be agreed upon.

Town of
Yarmouth
may purchase
property, etc.

SECTION 5. The town of Yarmouth shall have the right at any time to acquire by purchase or by right of eminent domain the property of said corporation in the town of Yarmouth, its franchise to do business therein, and all its rights and privileges with respect thereto, on payment to said corporation of the actual cost of said franchise and of its works and property of every kind in said town; and, unless the corporation's net earnings from its business in said town

shall have been equal to at least five per cent of the said cost, multiplied by the number of years during which the corporation has then been operating in said town, there shall be added to the amount to be paid by the town a sum which when added to said net earnings will equal five per cent of the said cost multiplied by the number of years during which the corporation has been operating in said town. "Net earnings" as herein used, shall mean the corporation's gross receipts from its business in said town, minus all operating and other expenses properly chargeable to said business, including reasonable amounts for maintenance and depreciation. The town, on taking the property of said corporation as herein provided, shall assume all of its outstanding obligations incurred in the construction or improvement of its property in the said town, including bonds secured by mortgage on such property, and the amount thus assumed shall be deducted from the total amount to be paid by the town to the corporation. Said corporation shall furnish to the town of Yarmouth, under oath, an itemized statement of the actual cost of the water supply system installed by the corporation in said town, together with a copy of all contracts made for providing and constructing said water supply system and any extension thereof, and shall furnish to said town, annually, in the month of January, an itemized statement under oath of its receipts from and expenditures made in connection with its business in said town, which statement shall be submitted by the selectmen to the citizens of the town at the annual town meeting. This authority to acquire the said franchise and property is granted on condition that the same is assented to by a two thirds vote of the voters of the said town present and voting thereon at a meeting legally called for that purpose; and if the property is taken by right of eminent domain, the declaration of the taking, which shall include a certified copy of the article in the warrant under which the town acted, and of the vote of the town thereon showing that it was passed by a two thirds vote, as herein required, shall be filed in the registry of deeds for the county of Barnstable. In case the town and the corporation shall be unable to agree upon the amount to be paid by the town for said property, the supreme judicial court shall, upon application of either party and notice to the other, appoint three commissioners who shall determine the actual cost of said property, and whose award, when

Same subject.

"Net earnings," defined.

Sworn statement of cost, etc., to be annually furnished the town.

Voters assent to acquire property required, etc.

Commission may fix price, etc.

Award
to include
interest.

accepted by the court, shall be final. Interest at the rate of six per cent shall be included in said award from the date of the taking or purchase.

Yarmouth
Water Loan,
Act of 1917.

SECTION 6. Said town may, for the purpose of paying the cost of said franchise and corporate property and the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of this act, issue from time to time bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The said bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Yarmouth Water Loan, Act of 1917, shall be payable at the expiration of periods not exceeding thirty years from the date of issue, shall bear interest, payable semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by the water commissioners hereinafter provided for. The town may sell such securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 7. Said town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with the provisions of section fourteen of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, and all acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, in such manner that any loan or loans issued under authority of this act shall be paid within the period specified by section six of this act; and when a vote to the foregoing effect has been passed, a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its water works and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan is extinguished.

Board of water
commissioners,
election, term,
etc.

SECTION 8. Said town shall, after purchasing or taking the said franchise and corporate property, as provided in this act, at a legal meeting called for the purpose elect by ballot three persons to hold office, one until the expiration of three years, one until the expiration of two years, and one until the expiration of one year from the next succeeding annual town meeting, and until the election and qualification of their respective successors, to constitute a board of

water commissioners; and at each annual town meeting thereafter one such commissioner shall be elected by ballot for the term of three years and until the election and qualification of a successor. All authority granted to the said town by this act, and not otherwise specifically provided for, shall be vested in said water commissioners, who shall be subject, however, to such instructions, rules and regulations as the town may impose by its vote. A majority of said commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Any vacancy occurring in said board for any cause may be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by the town at any legal town meeting called for the purpose. Any such vacancy may be filled temporarily by a majority vote of the selectmen, and the person so appointed shall hold office until the town fills the vacancy in the manner provided herein. If the town does not elect a board of water commissioners, the board of selectmen shall constitute the board of water commissioners.

Vacancy in board, how filled.

Selectmen to act, when.

SECTION 9. Said commissioners shall fix just and equitable prices and rates for the use of water, and shall prescribe the time and manner of payment. The income of the water works shall be applied to defraying all operating expenses, interest charges, and payments on the principal as they accrue, upon any bonds or notes issued under authority of this act. If there should be a net surplus remaining after providing for the aforesaid charges, it shall be used for such new construction as the water commissioners may determine upon, and in case a surplus should remain after payment for such new construction, the water rates shall be reduced proportionately. No money shall be expended in new construction by the water commissioners except from the net surplus aforesaid, unless the town appropriates or provides money therefor. Said commissioners shall annually, and as often as the town may require, render a report upon the condition of the works under their charge, and an account of their doings, including an account of receipts and expenditures.

To fix water rates, etc.

Net surplus to be used for new construction, etc.

Commission to render annual report.

SECTION 10. Any fire district now existing or hereafter established within the town of Yarmouth for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants thereof with water for the extinguishment of fires, for domestic, manufacturing and other purposes, shall have all the rights and privileges herein granted to, and be subject to all the obligations, duties and liabilities herein imposed upon, said town.

To apply to certain fire districts.

Act to be submitted to voters, etc.

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters of the town present and voting thereon at any legal meeting called for the purpose within three years after its passage, but the number of meetings so called in any one year shall not exceed three; and for the purpose of being submitted to the voters as aforesaid this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 24, 1917.

Chap.297 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE LINES BETWEEN WARD TWO AND WARD FIVE IN THE CITY OF WOBURN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Lines changed between wards two and five in city of Woburn.

SECTION 1. The following described territory, now forming part of ward two in the city of Woburn, is hereby transferred to and made a part of ward five, to wit, commencing at the intersection of the center line of Montvale avenue at land of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation, Boston and Maine Railroad Corporation lessee, thence the line runs southerly by and with the said center line of the said railroad corporation tracks to its intersection with the Woburn and Winchester town line; thence turning the line runs southwesterly by and with said town line to its junction with the center line of Holton street; thence turning the line runs northerly by and with the center line of said Holton street to its junction with the center line of Nashua street, otherwise known as Holton and Wood street; thence continuing northerly with the center line of said Nashua street, otherwise known as Holton and Wood street, to its junction with the center line of said Montvale avenue; thence turning the line runs easterly by and with the center line of said Montvale avenue to land of Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation, Boston and Maine Corporation lessee, and the point of beginning.

To be submitted to board of aldermen, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the board of aldermen of said city, with the approval of the mayor.

Approved April 24, 1917.

[1914, 613.]

Chap.298 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE FRANCHISE OF THE MARSHFIELD WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1914, 613 § 18, amended.

Chapter six hundred and thirteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen is hereby amended by striking

out section eighteen and inserting in place thereof the following: — *Section 18.* This act shall take effect upon its passage, but shall become void unless the said water company has begun to distribute water through its pipes to the consumers in said town before the third day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty.

Marshfield
Water Com-
pany, charter
extended.

Approved April 24, 1917.

[1898, 403; 1905, 113; 1913, 588; 1915, 272, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WATERTOWN TO INCUR
ADDITIONAL INDEBTEDNESS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Chap. 299

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Watertown, for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping an addition to the Hosmer school in said town, may incur indebtedness in excess of the statutory limit to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and may issue, from time to time, bonds or notes therefor, which shall bear on their face the words Watertown School Loan, Act of 1917, shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by the selectmen, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years from its date. The amount of the annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds, excepting premiums, shall be used only for the purposes specified herein.

Town of
Watertown
may borrow
additional
money for
school pur-
poses.

Watertown
School Loan,
Act of 1917.

SECTION 2. The town shall, at the time of authorizing the said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with the provisions of section one of this act, and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum sufficient to pay the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter in the same manner as other

Payment of
loan.

taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 25, 1917.

[1917, 300, Spec.]

[1917, 299, Spec.]

Chap. 300 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WATERTOWN TO ACQUIRE LAND FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Watertown may acquire certain land for high school purposes.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of providing additional land for its high school, the town of Watertown, acting by its selectmen, may take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold in fee, such parcel or parcels of land on Mount Auburn and Boylston streets in said town, not exceeding two and one half acres, as the town, by vote at any town meeting, may authorize or approve, notwithstanding the provisions of section forty-seven of chapter twenty-five of the Revised Laws, but subject to the provisions of sections forty-eight and forty-nine of said chapter twenty-five. Chapter two hundred and sixty-three of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen shall not apply to proceedings hereunder.

1915, 263 (G) not to apply.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of paying the cost of said land, however acquired, the town may incur indebtedness within the statutory limit to an amount not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars, and may issue bonds or notes therefor to be denominated High School Land Loan, Act of 1917, which shall be signed by the town treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date thereof, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years from its date. The amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

High School Land Loan, Act of 1917.

SECTION 3. The town, at the time of authorizing any loan hereunder, shall provide for the payment thereof in accordance with the provisions of section two of this act, and the amount required to pay the bonds or notes as they mature, together with all interest on account of the loan, shall annually be assessed by the assessors of the town, in the same manner as other taxes, until the said debt is extinguished.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 25, 1917.

AN ACT TO RATIFY A VOTE OF THE TOWN OF WAKEFIELD RELATIVE TO BORROWING MONEY FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Chap.301

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The vote passed by the town of Wakefield at the adjournment of the annual town meeting held on the second day of April in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, appropriating the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars for the purpose of acquiring land for, and the constructing and equipping of, a school building in the Montrose district, and any action taken by said town in pursuance thereof are hereby ratified and confirmed, and the said town is hereby authorized without further action by the town to borrow for said purposes, on bonds or notes of the town in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, of which the sum of fifteen hundred dollars shall be payable in each of the years nineteen hundred and eighteen to nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, inclusive, and one thousand dollars in each of the years nineteen hundred and twenty-eight to nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, inclusive, until the said bonds or notes are fully paid, all in accordance with said vote.

Vote of town of Wakefield relative to appropriating money for school purposes ratified.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 25, 1917.

[1917, 106, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD TO TAKE LAND FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Chap.302

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Springfield may take in fee, by vote of its city council, any land not appropriated to public uses and lying within the limits of that part of the city bounded by Carew and Liberty streets, St. James avenue

City of Springfield may take land for school purposes.

Same subject. and the Chicopee line, and measuring four acres or less in area, for the purpose of erecting thereon a building or buildings to be used as a public school or schools, notwithstanding the provisions of section forty-seven of chapter twenty-five of the Revised Laws limiting the amount of land that may be taken for such a purpose, but subject to all other provisions of law relative to such takings.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 25, 1917.

Chap.303 AN ACT TO RATIFY CERTAIN ACTS OF THE TOWN OF OTIS.
Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Certain acts
of town of
Otis ratified.

The acts of the town of Otis at the annual town meeting on the fifth day of February, nineteen hundred and seventeen, are hereby ratified and confirmed notwithstanding any irregularity or informality in the manner of calling the meeting.

Approved April 25, 1917.

Chap.304 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A PENSION TO ALFRED L. LEIGHTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston
may pay a
pension to
Alfred L.
Leighton.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay to Alfred L. Leighton, a former employee of the city, who was injured while in the employ of the city, an annual pension not exceeding one half of the average annual compensation paid to him during the two years next prior to his retirement from the service of the city.

To be submit-
ted to city
council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, that such acceptance and approval occur prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year.

Proviso.

Approved April 25, 1917.

[Accepted May 8, 1917.]

Chap.305 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF MILTON TO ADMINISTER CERTAIN TRUST FUNDS AND TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of
Milton may
administer cer-
tain trust
funds.

SECTION 1. The town of Milton may, at an annual meeting, elect by ballot a board of trustees consisting of three persons, male or female, for the purpose of managing and controlling the property, real and personal, bequeathed

and devised to the town by the will of Edwin D. Wadsworth, late of Milton, and of expending the same in accordance with the terms of said will and for the other purposes hereinafter specified. When such board is first chosen, one third thereof shall be elected for one year, one third for two years and one third for three years, and thereafter one third shall be elected annually for a term of three years: *provided, however*, that the town may, at any annual meeting, or at any special meeting called for the purpose increase the number of the board by an additional number, divisible by three, which number shall, at the next annual meeting thereafter, be elected one third for one year, one third for two years and one third for three years, and thereafter one third annually for a term of three years. The board shall, from its own number, annually choose a chairman, a secretary and a treasurer. The treasurer shall give a bond similar to that given by the town treasurer, in an amount and with sureties to the satisfaction of the selectmen. The board may appoint such other officers and agents as it thinks fit. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said board by reason of death, resignation or otherwise, the remaining trustees shall fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

Proviso.

Board officers, election, appointment, etc.

Vacancy, how filled.

SECTION 2. The board shall have the custody and management of said property, and shall invest and reinvest the same, and may add the income thereof to the principal and allow said property to accumulate until the same, with any other funds and revenues received by the board, shall, in the opinion of the board, be sufficient to establish and maintain a public hospital within the town of Milton, and when said property, funds and revenues in the custody and management of the board shall, in the opinion of the board, be sufficient for the purpose, or when the town at an annual meeting, or at a special meeting called for the purpose, shall direct the board so to do, the board shall establish a public hospital in said town, to be maintained under rules and regulations made by the board, from time to time, and may expend so much as may be necessary of the funds at any time in its custody and management in the purchase, in the name of the town, of such real and personal property as may be necessary for the establishment and maintenance of the hospital; and the hospital together with all funds and other property owned by the town relating thereto shall be in the custody and management of the board. The town may appropriate and raise money for the establish-

To establish a public hospital.

Town may appropriate money, etc.,

for the support, etc., of the hospital.

ment, support or maintenance of the hospital, which shall be expended by the board, and may receive money or property by gift, devise or bequest for the hospital, which shall be administered by the board in accordance with the provisions of such gift, devise or bequest. Section seventeen of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen as amended, shall apply to investments by the board.

Board may sell property, etc., in its custody, etc.

SECTION 3. The board shall have power to manage, sell, lease, convey and transfer all real or personal property at any time in its custody, management or control, and may in the name and behalf of said town execute, acknowledge and deliver all instruments necessary or proper to carry its powers into effect.

Act not to alter, etc., any provision of will of Edwin D. Wadsworth.

SECTION 4. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to alter or impair any provision of the will of said Edwin D. Wadsworth relating to said property given to the town, or any provision of any gift, devise or bequest or vote whereby any other property shall come into the custody, management or control of the board.

Annual report.

SECTION 5. The board shall make an annual report to the town of its receipts and expenditures and of the property in its custody, with a statement of any unexpended balance of money and of any gifts or bequests which it holds in behalf of the town.

To be submitted to voters.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the town at the next annual town meeting, and the board of trustees may be nominated upon the official ballot and elected at said meeting; but such election shall be null and void if the act fails of acceptance at the said meeting. For the purpose of its acceptance by the town and of the election of trustees, this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 25, 1917.

Chap. 306 AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE ACTS OF CHARLES H. LOOMIS AS CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF MEDFORD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Acts of Charles H. Loomis as city clerk of Medford legalized.

All the acts performed by Charles H. Loomis as city clerk of the city of Medford during the year nineteen hundred and sixteen are hereby legalized and confirmed, to the same extent as if he had been chosen to fill the said office for the said period in compliance with all provisions of law applicable thereto.

Approved May 1, 1917.

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE SALARY OF THE POLICE COMMISSIONER FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON. *Chap.307**Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Section eight of chapter two hundred and ninety-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six is hereby amended by striking out the word "six", in the second line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — eight, — so that the first paragraph of the said section will read as follows: — *Section 8.* The annual salary of the police commissioner shall be eight thousand dollars, and of the secretary three thousand dollars, which shall be paid in monthly instalments by the city of Boston. Subject to the approval of the governor and council, the police commissioner shall be provided with such rooms, which shall be suitably furnished, as shall be convenient and suitable for the performance of his duties, the expense of which shall be paid by the city of Boston.

1906, 291, § 8, amended.

Salary of police commissioner of Boston increased.

Approved May 1, 1917.

[1917, 180, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE REGULATION OF STREET TRAFFIC IN THE CITY OF MALDEN. *Chap.308**Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The authority now vested in the city council or in the board of aldermen of the city of Malden to pass ordinances, by-laws or regulations relative to street traffic, or to the movement, stopping or standing of vehicles, and to prescribe penalties, not exceeding twenty dollars, for the breach thereof, is hereby transferred to, and vested in, the street and water commission of the city of Malden. The said commission is hereby authorized, after giving an advertised public hearing thereon, to pass, and to amend from time to time, all regulations for the purpose aforesaid, not inconsistent with law, which they shall deem needful for preventing congestion and delay of traffic, for the preservation of streets, and for other purposes, and every such regulation or amendment thereof shall forthwith be filed with the city clerk, and shall be advertised by him once each week for two successive weeks in a newspaper published in said city. When any such regulation goes into effect, any ordinance or by-law of the city or regulation of the board of aldermen inconsistent therewith shall be null

Regulation of street traffic in city of Malden transferred to street and water commission.

and void. All such regulations shall be enforced by the police commissioner of the city.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the city council of said city, and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the members present and voting in each branch, and upon the approval of the mayor. For the purpose of its submission as aforesaid, this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 1, 1917.

[1839, 101; 1841, 72; 1842, 41; 1844, 28, 34; 1845, 42, 170; 1847, 244; 1852, 87; 1859, 242; 1864, 81; 1868, 355; 1869, 69; 1872, 127, 171; 1888, 263; 1894, 226, 466; 1895, 189, 278; 1896, 257, 321, 516; 1897, 519; 1898, 399; 1899, 448; 1900, 455, 457, 458; 1901, 231, 421, 484; 1902, 508; 1903, 115, 392; 1905, 252, 422; 1906, 160, 220, 237; 1907, 233, 441, 551; 1908, 596; 1910, 352, 601, 652, 654; 1911, 524, 528, 741, § 1; 1912, 594, 676; 1913, 765; 1914, 766; 1915, 383, Spec.; 1916, 355, Spec.]

Chap.309 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN AND HARTFORD RAILROAD COMPANY, ITS HOLDING OF THE STOCKS AND SECURITIES OF OTHER CORPORATIONS AND ITS RELATION TO CERTAIN SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company authorized to hold stocks, etc., of certain other corporations.

SECTION 1. Subject to the conditions and restrictions hereinafter set forth, the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company (hereinafter called the New Haven company) is hereby authorized to own and hold the shares of capital stock, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness which were in its treasury on the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and sixteen, of the following corporations: —

Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation.
 Central New England Railway Company.
 Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company.
 The Harlem River and Port Chester Railroad Company.
 Holyoke and Westfield Railroad Company.
 New York Connecting Railroad Company.
 New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company.
 New York, Westchester and Boston Railway Company.
 Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company.
 Old Colony Railroad Company.
 Providence and Worcester Railroad Company.
 Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company.
 Rutland Railroad Company.
 Wood River Branch Railroad Company.

Authority conditioned upon performance of certain duties.

The authority hereby given to own and hold the aforesaid stock, bonds, notes and other evidences of indebted-

ness is conditioned upon the performance by the New Haven company of the duties hereinafter imposed and said authority shall cease upon the failure of said company at any time to perform any of said duties.

SECTION 2. The New Haven company is hereby authorized, on or before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and eighteen, to take over and thereafter to hold and possess the assets, and to assume the liabilities other than capital stock and demand notes held by the New Haven company, of the New England Navigation Company, and shall thereupon cause said navigation company to be dissolved and its capital stock and the aforesaid notes to be cancelled: *provided, however*, that this authority shall not be exercised if said navigation company shall have added to its assets, other than cash and current assets, or shall have increased the book values of said assets subsequent to the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and sixteen, or shall have added to its liabilities, other than current liabilities, subsequent to said date. Said assets shall be taken over by the New Haven company, without increase in book values, and the New Haven company, upon possession thereof, shall cause to be cancelled bonds of the New England Steamship Company included among said assets and amounting at par to three million dollars. So long as the New Haven company shall continue to hold, directly or indirectly, a controlling interest in the stock of the New England Steamship Company and in the stock of the Hartford and New York Transportation Company, it shall not permit either of said companies to exercise any corporate powers and franchises except such as are reasonably required for the management, operation, maintenance or improvement of steamship and barge lines and lighters; nor shall the New Haven company, so long as it continues to hold, directly or indirectly, a controlling interest in the stock of the Providence Securities Company, permit said company to exercise any corporate powers or franchises except such as are reasonably required to perform its obligation of transferring its registered debentures upon its books.

SECTION 3. The authority hereby given to own and hold stock, bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness of the Rutland Railroad Company shall cease at the expiration of five years from the date on which this act takes effect: *provided, however*, that the time within which the authority shall be effective may in either case, upon appli-

May take over assets, etc., of New England Navigation Company.

Proviso.

No increase in book values, etc.

Restrictions.

Certain authority limited in time.

Proviso.

cation of the New Haven company, be extended by the public service commission if said commission finds, after notice and a public hearing, that good cause for such extension has been shown and that it is consistent with the public interest.

May take over assets, etc., of the Millbrook Company, etc.

Proviso.

Value of assets, how determined.

Massachusetts street railway companies may purchase certain lines in Connecticut.

Proviso.

SECTION 4. The New Haven company is hereby authorized, on or before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and eighteen, to take over and possess the assets, and to assume the liabilities, other than capital stock and demand notes held by the New Haven company of the Millbrook Company, and shall thereupon cause said Millbrook Company to be dissolved and its capital stock and the aforesaid demand notes to be cancelled: *provided, however*, that this authority shall not be exercised if said Millbrook Company shall have added to its assets, other than cash and current assets, or shall have increased the book values of said assets subsequent to the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and sixteen, or shall have added to its liabilities, other than current liabilities, subsequent to said date. Said assets shall be taken over by the New Haven company at a value determined by decreasing their book value by an amount equal to the difference between the face value of the demand notes of said Millbrook Company held by the New Haven company, plus accrued interest thereon, and the value of said demand notes and accrued interest as carried upon the books of the New Haven company.

SECTION 5. Any Massachusetts street railway company operating a line of railway which connects with any one of the following street railway lines now owned by the New Haven company and situated in the state of Connecticut, may purchase or lease, hold and operate such line of railway with which it connects and the franchise thereof: *provided*, that the terms of the purchase or lease shall be agreed to by a majority of the directors and two thirds in interest of the stockholders of such Massachusetts street railway company, and shall be approved by the public service commission after notice and a public hearing: —

(a) The line extending from Canaan to the Massachusetts-Connecticut state line.

(b) The line extending from Suffield to the Massachusetts-Connecticut state line.

(c) The line extending from West Thompson to the Massachusetts-Connecticut state line.

SECTION 6. The purchase by the New Haven company in the year nineteen hundred and eight of the properties of the Roxbury Central Wharf and the South Bay Wharf and Terminal Company is hereby ratified and confirmed, upon condition, however, that the New Haven company shall cause said Roxbury Central Wharf and said South Bay Wharf and Terminal Company to be dissolved as soon as practicable.

Certain purchase by New Haven company ratified and confirmed. Dissolution.

SECTION 7. The New Haven company shall appoint a special committee of its directors to have charge of the sale of all real estate owned by it which is not used for the purposes of a common carrier and said committee shall report to the public service commission at the end of each fiscal year, in such detail as the commission may prescribe, the amount and character of such real estate owned within the commonwealth and the steps which have been taken during the year to effect a sale. If said commission shall at any time be of the opinion that the delay in disposing of said real estate within the commonwealth is unreasonable, it shall notify the attorney-general to that effect.

Company to appoint special committee of directors, etc.

Unreasonable delay may be reported to attorney-general.

SECTION 8. The New Haven company is hereby prohibited from declaring or paying dividends upon its common stock in excess of five per cent per annum until (a) all the sales have been made of stock, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of other corporations or associations or of other property required by the decree of the United States court for the southern district of New York, entered the seventeenth day of October, nineteen hundred and fourteen, as the same is now or may hereafter be modified; until (b) it shall have caused to be cancelled the bonds of the New York, Westchester and Boston Railway Company which it held on the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and sixteen, amounting at par to two million one hundred and ninety thousand dollars, and shall have reduced the book value of the notes of said railway company which it holds to one dollar, and the book value of the stock of said railway company which it holds by three million dollars; and until (c) the public service commission shall have certified that, beginning with the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and thirteen, an amount has been appropriated from the earnings of the New Haven company, or has been paid on notes of the New York, Westchester and Boston Railway Company reduced to the book value of one dollar, and has been used for additions and

Dividends prohibited, until, etc.

Same subject.

improvements to the property of the New Haven company, or for the retirement of floating indebtedness which said company may lawfully fund by an issue of stock or bonds, which is equal to the net amount of any losses upon the sale of securities under the aforesaid decree of the United States court, plus the net amount of any book loss resulting from the dissolution of the New England Navigation Company and of the Millbrook Company, plus the amount of the reduction in the book value of the holdings of the New Haven company in the securities of the New York, Westchester and Boston Railway Company hereinafter provided for.

Subsidiary companies restricted in issues of stocks, bonds, etc., unless, etc.

SECTION 9. The New Haven company shall not permit any company which it controls, directly or indirectly, through the ownership of stock to issue any additional shares of capital stock, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable at periods of more than twelve months after the date thereof, unless such issue shall have been approved by a commission of the state in which such company is incorporated having jurisdiction thereof, or, in the absence of statutory provision for such approval, unless such issue shall have been approved as consistent with the public interest by the public service commission.

Public service commission to approve acquisition of additional stock by New Haven company.

SECTION 10. The New Haven company may hereafter acquire and hold additional stock, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of any corporation whose stocks and securities it is authorized by sections one and two of this act to hold; but no such acquisition shall be made until the public service commission, after notice and a public hearing, shall have approved the acquisition and the conditions thereof as consistent with the public interest:

Proviso.

provided, however, that such approval shall not be required if such corporation is incorporated or organized in another state or states in which the New Haven company is incorporated and not in this commonwealth, and if such acquisition is authorized by the laws of such other state or states and shall have been approved by a commission or commissions in such other state or states having jurisdiction thereof; but all such acquisitions shall be reported to the public service commission. The New Haven company may make loans to any such corporation without securing the approval of the public service commission, but only for the purpose of enabling such corporation to meet operating expenses, to pay dividends guaranteed by the New Haven company upon stock in the hands of the public, to pay

Loans permitted.

interest on outstanding indebtedness or to pay taxes or assessments; *provided, however*, that the value of the evidence of any such indebtedness of any such corporation shall be reduced upon the books of the New Haven company to a value of not more than one dollar by a charge to profit and loss. Proviso.

SECTION 11. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed as authorizing the New Haven company to continue to hold any assets of the New England Navigation Company which must be disposed of in accordance with the decree of the district court of the United States for the southern district of New York, entered on the seventeenth day of October, nineteen hundred and fourteen, beyond the dates specified for such disposition; nor shall anything contained in this act be construed as authorizing the New Haven company to continue to hold, directly or indirectly, any shares of stock, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the New England Steamship Company, of the Hartford and New York Transportation Company, or of the New Bedford, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Steamboat Company if the New Haven company is at any time required to dispose of its interest in these companies under the provisions of the act of congress of August twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and twelve, known as the "Panama Canal Act"; nor shall anything in sections eight, nine and ten of this act be construed as placing on the New Haven company any duty or obligation or restriction contrary to any law of the United States now or hereafter in force, or as abridging the rights of said company to avail itself of any rights and powers which may be conferred upon it by any such law. Not to apply to assets of certain corporations now in litigation, etc.

SECTION 12. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed as a finding by the commonwealth that the book values at which the New Haven company is permitted by this act to hold certain assets are the intrinsic values of said assets, or that the New Haven company may justly and reasonably charge such rates and fares as may be necessary to enable it to pay dividends of five per cent per annum upon its common stock. Act, how construed.

SECTION 13. Chapter seven hundred and sixty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen is hereby repealed. Repeal.

SECTION 14. The supreme judicial court or the superior court shall have jurisdiction in equity, upon the application of the public service commission, of the attorney-general, Certain courts to have jurisdiction in equity.

of any stockholder or of any interested party, to enforce the provisions of this act and all lawful orders and decisions, conditions or requirements of said commission made in pursuance thereof.

To be submitted to board of directors, etc.

SECTION 15. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the New Haven company by vote of its board of directors and return thereof made to the secretary of the commonwealth within sixty days after the passage of this act.

Approved May 1, 1917.

[1917, 366, Spec.]

[Accepted May 8, 1917.]

Chap.310 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ATHLETIC FIELD BY THE CITY OF BROCKTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Brockton may construct an athletic field.

SECTION 1. The park commissioners of the city of Brockton are hereby authorized to construct and maintain an athletic field, with suitable equipment, on the land owned by the city on the northwest corner of Centre and Edson streets in said city, and to inclose the same with a suitable fence or other structure, and to permit the use of said field for athletic games and other entertainments of a public nature, at which an admission fee may be charged, to such person or persons and upon such conditions as may be fixed by said commissioners.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 2, 1917.

Chap.311 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO GEORGE CHESLEY OF LOWELL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Middlesex county may pay an annuity to George Chesley of Lowell.

SECTION 1. The county of Middlesex is hereby authorized to pay an annuity of two hundred dollars, so long as he shall live, to George Chesley of Lowell, for seventeen years an employee of the county of Middlesex county training school, and now incapacitated from further service by reason of partial loss of sight and approaching blindness.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 2, 1917.

AN ACT TO SUBJECT CARETAKERS OF THE PUBLIC COMFORT STATION IN THE CITY OF LAWRENCE TO THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS. *Chap.312*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The caretakers of the public comfort station in the city of Lawrence shall hereafter be subject to the civil service laws and regulations, so far as the same are applicable, but without requiring their reappointment or examination.

Caretakers of public comfort station in Lawrence placed under civil service.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

Approved May 2, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY OF BRISTOL TO PAY A PENSION TO ALEXANDER B. CRAPO. *Chap.313*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The county of Bristol may, with the approval of the county commissioners, pay annually to Alexander B. Crapo of New Bedford, a sum not exceeding one half of the annual compensation which he received as an officer of the house of correction of the county of Bristol at the time of his retirement from that service.

Bristol county may pay a pension to Alexander B. Crapo.

Approved May 2, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF GOSNOLD TO SUPPLY ITSELF WITH WATER. *Chap.314*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Gosnold may supply itself and its inhabitants with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic and other purposes; may establish fountains and hydrants, and re-locate or discontinue the same; and may regulate the use of such water, and fix and collect rates to be paid therefor.

Town of Gosnold may supply itself with water.

SECTION 2. The said town, for the purposes aforesaid, may take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold the waters of any pond or stream, or of any ground sources of supply, by means of driven, artesian, or other wells within the limits of the town, and the water rights connected with any such water sources, and may also take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold, all lands, rights of way or

May take, etc., waters of ponds or streams.

Proviso.

May construct
dams, etc.

easements, necessary for collecting, storing, purifying and preserving the water and for conveying the same to any part of said town: *provided, however,* that no source of water supply and no lands necessary for preserving the quality of the water shall be taken without first obtaining the advice and approval of the state department of health, and that the situation of all dams, reservoirs and wells to be used as sources of water supply under this act shall be subject to the approval of said department. Said town may construct on the lands acquired or held under the provisions of this act, proper dams, reservoirs, stand-pipes, tanks, buildings, fixtures, or other structures, and may make excavations, procure and operate machinery, and provide such other means and appliances, and do such other things as may be necessary for the establishment and maintenance of complete and effective water works; and for the said purposes may construct wells and reservoirs and establish pumping works, and may construct, lay and maintain aqueducts, conduits, pipes and other works under or over any land, water courses, public or other ways, and along such ways in the town of Gosnold, in such manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same; and for the purpose of constructing, laying, maintaining, operating and repairing such conduits, pipes and other works, and for all the purposes of this act, said town may dig up or raise and embank any such lands, highways or other ways in such manner as to cause the least hindrance to public travel. Said town shall have the right to enter upon any lands for the purpose of making surveys, test pits, and borings, and may occupy temporarily any lands necessary for the construction of any works, or for any other purposes authorized by this act.

To file
description
of lands, etc.

SECTION 3. Said town shall, within ninety days after the taking of any lands, rights of way, water rights, water sources or easements, as aforesaid, file and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for Dukes County a description thereof sufficiently specific for identification with a statement of the purpose for which the same were taken, signed by the water commissioners hereinafter provided for. The title to all land purchased or taken under the provisions of this act shall vest in the town of Gosnold, and the land so acquired may be managed, improved and controlled by the water commissioners, hereinafter provided for, in such manner as they shall deem for the best interest of the town.

SECTION 4. Said town shall pay all damages to property sustained by any person or corporation by the taking of any land, right of way, water, water source, water right or easement, or by any other thing done by the town under authority of this act. Any person or corporation sustaining damages as aforesaid, who fails to agree with the town as to the amount thereof, may have the same determined in the manner provided by law in the case of land taken for the laying out of highways on application at any time within the period of two years after the taking of such land or other property, or the doing of other injury under the authority of this act; but no such application shall be made after the expiration of the said two years, and no assessment of damages shall be made for the taking of any water or water right, or for any injury thereto, and said period of two years shall not begin to run until the water is actually withdrawn or diverted by the town under the authority of this act. Said town may by vote from time to time determine what amount of water it proposes to take under this act; in which case any damages caused by such taking shall be based upon the said amount until the same shall be increased by vote or otherwise, and in that event the town shall be liable further only for the additional damages caused by such additional taking.

Damages, how determined, etc.

SECTION 5. Said town, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provision of this act, may appropriate a sufficient sum of money, and raise the same by taxation; and for the purposes aforesaid the town may borrow a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and may issue therefor, from time to time, bonds or notes. Such bonds or notes shall bear on their face the words, Town of Gosnold Water Loan, Act of 1917, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after their respective dates, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years after its date; and the amount of such annual payment of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of said loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. Said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by a majority of the water commissioners hereinafter provided for. The town may sell the said securities at

Town of Gosnold Water Loan, Act of 1917.

public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 6. Said town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section five of this act; and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum, which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its water works and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

Penalty for polluting water, etc.

SECTION 7. Whoever wilfully or wantonly corrupts, pollutes, or diverts any water taken or held under this act, or injures any structure, work, or other property owned, held, or used by said town under the authority of this act shall forfeit and pay to the town three times the amount of damages assessed therefor, to be recovered in an action of tort; and upon being convicted of any of the above wilful or wanton acts shall be punished by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in jail for a term not exceeding one year.

Selectmen to constitute a board of water commissioners.

SECTION 8. The selectmen of the town of Gosnold shall constitute a board of water commissioners. All the authority granted to said town by this act or by the provisions of general or special laws in relation to a public water supply, and not otherwise specifically provided for, shall be vested in said water commissioners, who shall be subject, however, to such instructions, rules, or regulations as the town may impose by its vote. A majority of said commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

To fix water rates, etc.

SECTION 9. Said commissioners shall fix just and equitable prices and rates for the use of water, and shall prescribe the time and manner of payment, but such rates may be increased or reduced by vote of the town. The income of the water works shall be applied to defraying all operating expenses, interest charges, and payments on the principal as they accrue on any bonds or notes issued under authority of this act. If there is a net surplus remaining after pro-

Net surplus to be used for

viding for the aforesaid charges, it shall be used for such new construction as the water commissioners shall determine upon, and in case a surplus should remain after payment for such new construction the water rates shall be reduced proportionately. No money shall be expended in new construction by the water commissioners except from the net surplus aforesaid, unless the town appropriates and provides money therefor. Said commissioners shall annually, and as often as the town may require, render a report upon the condition of the works under their charge, and an account of their doings, including an account of receipts and expenditures.

new construction, etc.

Annual report.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters of the town of Gosnold present and voting thereon at a legal meeting called for the purpose within three years after its passage; but the number of meetings so called in any one year shall not exceed three. For the purpose of being submitted to the voters as aforesaid this act shall take effect upon its passage.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

Approved May 2, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE PRISON CAMP AND HOSPITAL. Chap.315

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding seventy-six thousand seven hundred and ninety dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the maintenance of the prison camp and hospital, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Appropriation, prison camp and hospital.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 4, 1917.

[1891, 331; 1892, 310, 375; 1894, 194; 1895, 395; 1897, 255; 1900, 227; 1905, 359; 1908, 415; 1909, 176, 427; 1910, 418; 1916, 323, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF METHUEN TO CONTRACT WITH THE TOWN OF SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE, RELATIVE TO THE SALE, USE AND CONVEYANCE OF WATER. Chap.316

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Methuen is hereby authorized to contract with the town of Salem in the state of New

Town of Methuen may sell water, etc..

to town of
Salem, New
Hampshire,
etc.

Hampshire for an adequate water supply for extinguishing fires and for the use of its citizens and others, and for such other public, private and mechanical purposes as the town of Methuen may from time to time authorize and direct, and the town of Methuen may likewise sell water as aforesaid to the town of Salem upon such terms as may be agreed upon by the two towns. The town of Methuen, if so authorized by the said town of Salem, may lay, construct and maintain pipes and other works, in the town of Salem, and may make any such contract in regard to water and the use and conveyance of the same as shall be agreed upon by the two towns.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 4, 1917.

Chap.317 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE TIME OF HOLDING THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF WINCHESTER, TO ENLARGE THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE SELECTMEN, TO ABOLISH CERTAIN OFFICES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF TOWN AFFAIRS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

TITLE I.

TOWN MEETINGS.

Titles.

SECTION 1. Date of Annual Town Meeting.
SECTION 2. Time and Method of considering Warrant.
SECTION 3. General Provisions applicable to Town Meetings.

TITLE II.

TOWN OFFICERS.

ARTICLE I. ELECTIVE TOWN OFFICERS.

SECTIONS 4-5. Selectmen.
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SECTION 23. Town Manager.
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ARTICLE III. GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATIVE TO TOWN OFFICERS.

- SECTION 25. Plurality of Offices Regulated.
- SECTION 26. General Powers and Duties.
- SECTION 27. Tenure of Office.
- SECTION 28. Resignation of Town Officers.
- SECTION 29. Removal of Appointive Officers.
- SECTION 30. Appointment of Temporary Officers.
- SECTION 31. Salaries and Compensation.
- SECTION 32. Chairmen.
- SECTION 33. Town Officers to Receive no Gifts or Bonus.

TITLE III.

EFFECT OF ACT.

- SECTION 34. Acceptance of Act.
- SECTION 35. Duty of Town Officers to Carry This Act into Effect.
- SECTION 36. Continuation of Existing Officers until Successors Qualified.
- SECTION 37. Existing Rights Preserved.
- SECTION 38. Repeal.
- SECTION 39. Date of Taking Effect.
- SECTION 40. Revocation of Acceptance.

TITLE I.

TOWN MEETINGS.

Date of Annual Town Meeting.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting of the town of Winchester shall be held on the fourth Monday in January, beginning with the year nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Date of annual town meeting established.

Time and Method of Considering Warrant.

SECTION 2. Consideration of all articles in the warrant for the annual meeting, except those for the election of officers, for voting on the question whether licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be granted by the town, and for submitting to the voters any other matter for which official ballots are required to be used, shall be postponed to forty-five minutes past seven o'clock in the afternoon of the day of the annual meeting.

Warrant.

General Provisions Applicable to Town Meetings.

SECTION 3. Except as is otherwise provided herein, all existing general laws, and all such laws hereafter passed, relative to the appointment of election officers, relative to the calling, holding and conduct of town meetings and town elections, and relative to the nomination of candidates to be voted for at town elections, shall apply to the town of Winchester.

Certain provisions of law to apply.

TITLE II.

TOWN OFFICERS.

ARTICLE I. ELECTIVE TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen.

Selectmen,
election,
vacancies,
how filled, etc.

SECTION 4. At the annual town election in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, the voters of the town shall elect, by ballot, five selectmen, two of whom shall be chosen for the term of three years, two for the term of two years, and one for the term of one year; and, at each annual meeting thereafter, they shall elect, for the term of three years, either one or two selectmen, accordingly as the term of one or two selectmen is about to expire. Should a vacancy occur in the office of selectmen, the remaining selectmen shall within fourteen days thereafter, call a town meeting to fill it for the residue of the term. If, however, it occurs on or after the first day of November, and if as many as three selectmen remain in office, it shall not be filled until the next annual meeting.

Transfer of Powers and Abolition of Offices.

Transfer of
powers, etc.,
of certain
boards to the
selectmen.

SECTION 5. Upon the election and qualification of the five selectmen, as provided in section four, all the powers, rights, duties and liabilities conferred or imposed by general laws, or by special laws relating to the town of Winchester, or by the by-laws of said town, upon the water and sewer board, the park commissioners, the cemetery commissioners, the surveyors of highways, and the tree warden shall be transferred to, and conferred and imposed upon the selectmen. Thereupon, the offices of water and sewer board, park commissioners, cemetery commissioners, surveyors of highways and tree warden shall be abolished in the town of Winchester. In acting as cemetery commissioners, however, it shall not be necessary for the selectmen, or a majority thereof, to be owners of lots in Wildwood or any other public cemetery, anything in section one of chapter one hundred and forty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine to the contrary notwithstanding.

Certain offices
abolished, etc.

Finance Commission.

SECTION 6. At the annual town election in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, the voters shall elect, by ballot, five voters of the town to be members of the finance commission, one of whom shall be chosen for the term of three years, two for the term of two years and two for the term of one year; and, at each annual meeting thereafter, they shall elect, for the term of three years, either one or two finance commissioners accordingly as the term of one or two of such commissioners is about to expire. A vacancy in said commission shall be filled in the manner provided in section four hundred and twenty-nine of chapter eight hundred and thirty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen for filling vacancies in a board consisting of two or more members. Upon the election and qualification of the finance commission first chosen after the acceptance of this act, the finance committee authorized by section two of article two of the by-laws of the town of Winchester shall be abolished.

Finance
commission,
election, terms
of office, etc.

Duties of Finance Commission.

SECTION 7. The finance commission shall, annually, on or before the thirty-first day of December, prepare and publish with the warrant for the annual town meeting, an estimate in writing of the probable amount required for the expenditures of the town government for the next ensuing fiscal year, stating in detail the amounts of maturing bonds or notes, the amount required for interest or other outstanding indebtedness of the town and the amount necessary to be provided for each fund and department. It shall also, at the same time, prepare and publish as aforesaid an estimate in writing of the amount of income from all sources of revenue, and of the probable amount required to be levied and raised by taxation to defray all the expenses and liabilities of the town. It shall consider such articles in the warrant for any town meeting as contemplate, directly or indirectly, the appropriation or expenditure of money, and shall report its recommendations thereon, in print, to the meeting. It shall have the same powers as the finance or appropriation committee to vote transfers from the reserve fund authorized by the provisions of chapter six hundred and forty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hun-

To make
estimate of
expenditures,
etc.

To make
annual report,
etc.

dred and thirteen. It shall make an annual report, which shall be published as a part of the annual town report, setting forth the matters considered by it during the fiscal year preceding that in which the report is published, and making such recommendations as appear to be necessary or appropriate respecting the finances of the town and the measures to be taken with reference thereto. Three members of said commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Estimates and Information to be Given to Commission.

Estimates,
etc., to be
submitted.

SECTION 8. All officers, boards and committees of the town shall, annually, on or before the thirtieth day of November, submit to the finance commission in writing a detailed estimate of appropriations required for the administration of their respective boards, committees or departments during the next ensuing fiscal year, and shall, at any time, upon its request in writing, furnish to it all information in their possession relative to the administration of their respective boards, committees or departments.

Powers to Compel Attendance and Testimony of Witnesses.

May compel
attendance of
witnesses, etc.

SECTION 9. The finance commission shall have power to require the attendance and testimony of witnesses before it, and the production of all books and documents which may be necessary or material to the performance of its duties or relevant to any matter within the scope of such investigations as it is authorized or required to make. Such witnesses may be summoned in the same manner, and be paid the same fees, as witnesses before police, district and municipal courts. The chairman or any other member of the commission may administer oaths or take the affirmations of witnesses who appear before it. The commission may prescribe reasonable rules for the despatch of its business, for the conduct of hearings and the giving of testimony before it. If any person so summoned and paid shall refuse to attend, or to be sworn, or to affirm, or to answer any question, or to produce any book or document which is material to a matter under consideration by the finance commission, a justice of the supreme judicial court or of the superior court may, in his discretion, upon application by said commission, compel such person to give testimony before it, in the same manner and to the same extent as

before said courts. Failure to comply with an order of the court made under the provisions of this section may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof.

Penalty for failure to comply, etc.

Employment of Assistance.

SECTION 10. The finance commission may employ such experts, counsel and other assistants and incur such other expenses as it may deem necessary, to an amount not exceeding three hundred dollars in any one year unless a larger amount shall be appropriated for that purpose by the town.

Employment of assistance.

Investigation of Excessive or Invalid Claims.

SECTION 11. If any pay roll, bill or other claim against the town is presented to the selectmen or school committee, which they deem to be of doubtful validity, excessive in amount, or detrimental to the interests of the town, they shall refer it to the finance commission which shall forthwith investigate the matter and report thereon to the board or committee by whom it was referred; and pending their report, payment of said claim shall be withheld.

Excessive or invalid claims.

Investigation.

School Committee.

SECTION 12. At the annual town election in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, the voters shall elect by ballot, five members of the school committee, two of whom shall be chosen for the term of three years, one for the term of two years, and two for the term of one year; and annually, thereafter, they shall elect, for the term of three years, either one or two members accordingly as the term of one or two members is about to expire. A vacancy in the school committee shall be filled in the manner provided in section four hundred and twenty-nine of chapter eight hundred and thirty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen for filling vacancies in a board consisting of two or more members.

School committee, election, terms of office, etc.

Powers and Duties of School Committee.

SECTION 13. Upon the election and qualification of the five members of the school committee, all the powers, rights, duties and liabilities, except as hereinafter provided, which now are, or may hereafter be, conferred or imposed by law

Powers and duties.

upon school committees shall pertain to the school committee so elected under the provisions of the preceding section.

ARTICLE II. APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICERS.

Town Clerk.

Appointive
town officers,
town clerk.

SECTION 14. The selectmen shall annually in February, beginning with the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, appoint a town clerk for the term of one year from the following first day of March; and shall, within thirty days after a vacancy occurs in the office, fill the same by appointment for the residue of the term. The town clerk shall, in addition to his duties prescribed by general laws, act as clerk, and keep the records of the board of selectmen, the assessors and the board of relief and perform such other duties as the selectmen may require of him. He may, in accordance with the provisions of section sixty-two of chapter twenty-five of the Revised Laws, appoint an assistant clerk. He may under the direction of the selectmen employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary for the proper performance of his duties, but he shall incur no expense therefor on behalf of the town in excess of the amount appropriated therefor.

Treasurer and Collector.

Treasurer and
collector.

SECTION 15. The selectmen shall annually in February, beginning with the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, appoint a treasurer and collector of taxes for the term of one year from the following first day of March; and shall, within thirty days after a vacancy occurs in said office, fill the same by appointment for the residue of the term.

Auditor.

Auditor.

SECTION 16. The finance commission shall annually in February, beginning with the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, appoint an auditor for the term of one year from the following first day of March; and shall, within thirty days after a vacancy occurs in said office, fill the same by appointment for the residue of the term.

Assessors.

SECTION 17. The selectmen shall, in February of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, appoint three assessors, one of whom shall be appointed for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years from the first day of March of that year; and annually thereafter, the selectmen shall, in February, appoint an assessor for the term of three years from the following first day of March; and may at any time appoint one or more assistant assessors for a term not exceeding one year. A vacancy in the board of assessors shall forthwith be filled by appointment for the residue of the term. Each assessor and assistant assessor shall, within seven days after his appointment, and before he enters upon the performance of his official duties, take the oath required by section sixty-eight of chapter twenty-five of the Revised Laws, except that he shall substitute the word — appointed — for the word “chosen”; and, if he neglects to take the oath within the required time, the selectmen shall declare the appointment void and proceed forthwith to make a new appointment. The oath may be administered by the chairman or any other member of the board of selectmen, and a record thereof shall be made in the records of the selectmen.

Board of Relief.

SECTION 18. The selectmen shall, in February of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, appoint a board of relief consisting of three persons, one of whom shall be appointed for the term of one year, one for the term of two years and one for the term of three years from the first day of March in that year; and annually thereafter, in February, the selectmen shall appoint a member of the board of relief for the term of three years from the following first day of March. A vacancy in the board shall be filled by appointment for the residue of the term. Women shall be eligible to appointment to the board. Said board shall succeed to, and perform the duties and exercise the powers of, overseers of the poor, and may employ one or more persons qualified by training or experience to act as agents or assistants.

*Board of Health.*Board of
health.

SECTION 19. The selectmen shall, in February of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, appoint a board of health consisting of three persons, one of whom shall be a registered physician, and one of whom shall be appointed for the term of one year, one for the term of two years and one for the term of three years from the first day of March in that year; and annually, thereafter, in February, the selectmen shall appoint a member of the board of health for the term of three years from the following first day of March. A vacancy in the board shall be filled by appointment for the residue of the term.

*Library Trustees.*Library
trustees.

SECTION 20. The selectmen shall, in February of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, appoint three library trustees, one of whom shall be appointed for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years from the first day of March in that year; and annually thereafter, in February, the selectmen shall appoint a library trustee for the term of three years from the following first day of March. A vacancy in the board of library trustees shall be filled by appointment for the residue of the term.

*Planning Board.*Planning
board.

SECTION 21. The selectmen shall in February of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen appoint a planning board consisting of five persons, two of whom shall be appointed for the term of three years, two for the term of two years, and one for the term of one year; and, annually thereafter, the selectmen shall, in February, appoint for the term of three years one or two members of said board, accordingly as the term of one or two members thereof is about to expire. A vacancy in the board shall be filled by appointment for the residue of the term.

Constables.

Constables.

SECTION 22. The selectmen shall annually, in February, beginning with the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, appoint two constables, each for the term of one year from

the following first day of March; and may, at any time, appoint so many additional constables as, in their opinion, may be necessary, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the selectmen.

Town Manager.

SECTION 23. The selectmen shall, as soon as may be in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, and from time to time thereafter as the office becomes vacant, appoint an agent who shall be known as town manager. He shall be chosen without regard to his political opinions and with particular reference to his professional or scientific education and training as well as to his administrative capacity and experience; and, at the time of his appointment he need not be a resident either of the town of Winchester or of the commonwealth. He shall hold the office at the pleasure of the selectmen, and, during such time, he shall hold no other elective or appointive office, nor shall he be engaged in any other business or occupation. He shall be, subject to the supervision, direction and control of the selectmen, the executive head of all departments of the town government the control of which is by the general laws or by the provisions of this or any other special act relating to the town of Winchester vested in the board of selectmen, and he shall be responsible for their efficient administration. The selectmen may, from time to time, delegate such executive duties to, or withdraw them from, the town manager as they deem expedient. Before entering upon the performance of his official duties he shall be sworn to the faithful performance thereof by the chairman of the selectmen or by the town clerk, and a record thereof shall be made in the records of the selectmen or of the town clerk, as the case may be. He shall give bond to the town in such sum, upon such conditions and with such surety or sureties as the selectmen may require and approve. The expense of procuring a surety company as surety on his bond shall be defrayed by the town. Pending the appointment of a town manager or the filling of a vacancy, the selectmen may employ a temporary town manager who shall have all the powers of a permanent town manager during a vacancy in the office and who shall be removable at the pleasure of the selectmen.

Town
manager, ap-
pointment, etc.

Temporary
town manager.

Powers and Duties of the Town Manager.

Powers and
duties of town
manager.

SECTION 24. The duties of the town manager shall be:

(a) To organize, continue, or discontinue, such divisions or departments as the selectmen may from time to time determine; or, in default of such determination, as he himself may determine to be required for the efficient administration of town affairs; and to exercise control over them.

(b) To keep full and complete records of his official acts, and to publish a succinct and comprehensive report thereof in the annual town report.

(c) To keep the selectmen fully informed as to the needs of the town so far as they relate to such of its affairs as are under his supervision or control, and to make a full report to them on any matters relating to such affairs whenever they so require.

(d) To submit to the selectmen, annually, on or before the thirtieth day of November, a detailed estimate in writing of the appropriations required during the next ensuing fiscal year for the administration of all divisions or departments under his supervision or control.

(e) To attend regular meetings of the selectmen whenever his attendance would be, in his opinion, expedient, and to attend regular and special meetings of the selectmen, whenever his attendance is required by them, and to recommend to them the adoption of such measures as he may deem necessary.

(f) Except as is otherwise provided by this act, to make all appointments and fix all salaries and wages in the divisions or departments under his supervision or control which the selectmen may or are required to make or fix under the provisions of law or of the by-laws of the town, but he shall make such appointments upon merit and fitness alone and irrespective of political opinion.

(g) To remove for sufficient cause any persons whom he is authorized to appoint or employ, except such as may be under the civil service rules of the commonwealth, but not to remove superintendents or chiefs of divisions or departments, except after seven days' notice in writing to them, and to the selectmen, of the reason for the removal.

(h) To suspend forthwith from the performance of his official duties, if the public service so requires, a chief of

division or department who has been notified of his re- Same subject.
 moval.

(i) To keep in repair all buildings belonging to the town.

(j) To purchase all the supplies for every department of the town, except books for the public library, school books and school supplies.

(k) To examine or cause to be examined, with or without notice, as he may deem best, the affairs of any division or department under his control, or the conduct of any officer or employee thereof.

(l) To perform such other duties consistent with his office as may be required of him by the selectmen.

ARTICLE III. GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATIVE TO TOWN OFFICERS.

Plurality of Offices Regulated.

SECTION 25. A member of the board of selectmen, of the school committee or of the finance commission shall, during the term for which he has been elected, be ineligible, either by election or appointment to any other town office except under a temporary appointment as provided by section thirty. The acceptance of the office of selectman, school committee or finance commissioner by a person holding any appointive town office, shall, of itself, operate as a resignation of the appointive office then held by him. Any person, except the town manager, who may be appointed by the selectmen to any town office under the provisions of the general laws or of this act, shall be eligible during the term of said office to appointment to any other town office. Plurality of offices regulated.

General Powers and Duties.

SECTION 26. All the officers, boards, committees or commissions of the town of Winchester whose election or appointment is authorized or required by this act shall have and enjoy all such powers, rights and privileges, and be subject to all such duties, liabilities and penalties, as now are or may hereafter be conferred or imposed by general laws upon similar officers, boards, committees or commissions, so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act. General powers and duties of town officers, etc.

Tenure of Office.

Tenure of office of certain officials.

SECTION 27. Selectmen, members of the school committee and members of the finance commission, whether chosen for a full term or to fill a vacancy, shall serve until their successors are chosen and qualified; and all other officers, members of boards or committees, whether appointed for a full term or to fill a vacancy, shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified.

Selectmen, how removed by the voters.

Any selectman may be removed at any time by the voters qualified to vote in town affairs. The procedure to effect his removal shall be as follows: A petition signed by legal voters, equal in number to at least twenty-five per cent of the total vote cast at the last preceding annual town election, demanding an election of a successor to the person sought to be removed, shall be filed with the town clerk, which petition shall contain a general statement of the grounds on which the removal is sought. Each signer shall add to his signature his place of residence, giving the street, and number, if any. One of the signers of the petition shall make oath before the town clerk that the signatures thereon are true as he believes, and that each signature appended is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. Within ten days after the filing of the petition, the registrars of voters shall examine and ascertain whether or not the petition is signed by the requisite number of qualified voters, and shall attach to the petition their certificate showing the result of their examination. If the petition shall be deemed to be sufficient, the registrars of voters shall submit the same to the selectmen without delay, whereupon the selectmen shall fix a date for holding the election, not less than thirty nor more than forty days after the date of the registrars' certificate to the selectmen that a sufficient petition is filed. The selectmen shall cause proper notice of the election to be published, and shall make all necessary arrangements for holding the election. The election shall be conducted in all respects as are other town elections. The successor of any selectman so removed shall hold office during the unexpired term of his predecessor. Any person sought to be removed may be a candidate to succeed himself, and, unless he request otherwise in writing, his name shall be placed on the official ballot without nomination. In any such removal election the candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

Registrars of voters, duties when petition is filed, etc.

Person sought to be removed may be a candidate.

If at such election some other person than the incumbent receives the highest number of votes, the incumbent shall be deemed removed from office upon the qualification of his successor. If the incumbent receives the highest number of votes, he shall continue in office. No removal petition shall be filed against any selectman within three months after his election, nor, in the case of a selectman re-elected in a removal election, within three months after his re-election.

Choice at election, how decided.

Resignation of Town Officers.

SECTION 28. Any town officer may resign his office by filing a resignation thereof in the office of the town clerk, and the resignation shall be effective forthwith unless a different time is specified therein. The selectmen may however, under the provisions of the following section, remove an appointive town officer whose resignation is made to take effect in the future, if they see fit so to do.

Resignation of town officers.

Removal of Appointive Officers.

SECTION 29. The selectmen or the finance commission may, for sufficient cause, remove from office any town officer whose appointment by them is specifically authorized by this act. The reasons for such removal shall be set forth in detail in the records of the selectmen, or of the finance commission, as the case may be, and shall forthwith be communicated in writing to the officer so removed, but the removal shall not take effect until seven days after the vote therefor, although the officer may forthwith be suspended from the performance of his official duties. If within the said seven days, he so requests, the selectmen or finance commission, as the case may be, shall give him a hearing, in which case the removal shall not take effect until after a decision in writing adverse to him is filed with the town clerk. If the decision is favorable to him, and he has been suspended, he shall forthwith be reinstated in his office. A decision by a majority of the selectmen or of the finance commission, as the case may be, shall be final.

Removal of appointive officers.

Appointment of Temporary Officers.

SECTION 30. If, by reason of removal from office, or otherwise, a vacancy occurs in a town office, which the selectmen or finance commission are authorized by the

Appointment of temporary officers.

Temporary
appointment,
renewal, etc.

provisions of this act to fill by appointment, the selectmen or finance commission, as the case may be, may, pending the permanent filling of such vacancy, make a temporary appointment to the office for a period of not more than thirty days; and may, for sufficient cause, renew such temporary appointment for a further period of not more than thirty days. An officer so appointed temporarily shall be subject to all requirements of law which apply to the permanent incumbent of the office.

Salaries and Compensation.

Salaries, etc.

SECTION 31. The town clerk, treasurer and collector, assessors and town manager shall receive such compensation for their services as the selectmen shall determine, not exceeding the amounts appropriated therefor by the town. The compensation of the auditor shall be determined by the town. Members of boards, committees or commissions shall receive no salary or compensation, unless the town determines otherwise.

Chairmen.

Chairmen,
how chosen.

SECTION 32. The board of selectmen, the school committee and the finance commission shall, in February of each year, and the assessors, board of relief, board of health, library trustees and planning board shall, in March of each year, choose a chairman from their own number.

Town Officers to Receive no Gifts or Bonus.

Town officers
not to make
contracts with
the town, or
receive any
gift, bonus, etc.

SECTION 33. No officer of the town of Winchester whose election or appointment is authorized by the provisions of this act shall, directly or indirectly, make a contract with the town, or receive any commission, discount, bonus, gift, contribution or reward from, or share in the profits of, any contract with the town made by any other person or by a corporation, unless he shall, immediately upon learning that such contract has been made or is proposed to be made, give notice in writing to the finance commission thereof and of the nature of his interest therein, and shall thereafter abstain from performing any official act on behalf of the town relative thereto. If it becomes the duty of any such officer of the town to make a contract on behalf of the town in which he would have a pecuniary interest, it may, if he is a member of a board or committee, be made by the re-

maining members of such board or committee, if they are disinterested and impartial, and if he is a sole officer, it shall be made by such other town officer as the selectmen may designate. Any contract made in violation of the provisions of this section shall be voidable at the election of the selectmen and finance commission acting jointly, and whoever violates the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Contract
voidable,
when.

Penalty.

TITLE III.

EFFECT OF ACT.

Acceptance of Act.

SECTION 34. This act shall be submitted to the registered voters of the town of Winchester for their acceptance or rejection at the state election in November in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen. The vote shall be taken in answer to the following question which shall be printed on the official ballot: — “Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen entitled ‘An Act to change the time of holding the annual meeting of the town of Winchester, to enlarge the powers and duties of the selectmen, to abolish certain offices and to provide for the administration of town affairs’ be accepted?” If it shall be accepted by a majority of the registered voters voting thereon by ballot, it shall thereupon take effect; otherwise it shall be void.

To be sub-
mitted to
voters at
annual state
election.

Duty of Town Officers to Carry this Act into Effect.

SECTION 35. The town clerk shall, not less than two weeks before the election required by the preceding section, transmit to every registered voter in the town a copy of this act; and, if this act is accepted as above provided, the town clerk, the selectmen, and every other town officer upon whom, by virtue of his office, a duty devolves or is imposed by the provisions of this act shall comply with all its requirements relative to elections to the end that all things may be done which are necessary for the nomination and election of the officers first to be elected hereunder.

Duties of
town officers
to carry act
into effect.

*Continuation of Existing Officers until Successors Qualified.*Existing
officers to
continue
until, etc.

SECTION 36. Upon the election and qualification of the selectmen and school committee chosen in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, the offices of the then selectmen and school committee shall forthwith cease and determine. All other officers of the town at that time shall hold office and continue to serve until the following first day of March and until their successors provided for by this act shall have been appointed and qualified.

*Existing Rights Preserved.*Existing
rights
preserved.

SECTION 37. The provisions of this act shall not affect any act heretofore done, ratified or confirmed by the town of Winchester or any of its officers, nor any right accrued or established, nor any action, suit or proceeding commenced or had in a civil case, nor shall it affect the acceptance by the voters of said town of any acts of the legislature except such acts as are partly or wholly repealed hereby, nor shall it impair the validity of any of the notes, bonds or other outstanding obligations of the town of Winchester at the time when it takes effect.

Repeal.

Repeal.

SECTION 38. So much of section four of chapter two hundred and sixty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two as requires the choice of commissioners, chapter three hundred and fifty-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are, so far as they relate to the town of Winchester, hereby repealed; and section one of article one, section two of article two and sections one, two and three of article six of the by-laws of the town of Winchester are hereby annulled. All other by-laws of the town or regulations made by any of its officers or boards, so far as they are consistent with this act, shall continue in full force and effect until it is otherwise provided by law, by a by-law, by vote of the town, or by such officers or boards.

*Date of Taking Effect.*Time of
taking effect.

SECTION 39. So much of this act as requires the submission of the question of its acceptance to the voters of said town shall take effect upon its passage.

Revocation of Acceptance.

SECTION 40. At any time after the expiration of three years and within six years from the date on which this act is accepted, and not less than ninety days before the date of an annual meeting, a petition, signed by not less than fifteen per cent of the registered voters of the town, may be filed with the selectmen requesting that the question of revoking the acceptance of this act be submitted to the voters. Thereupon the selectmen shall call a town meeting to be held at a date not later than forty-five days after the filing of the petition, but not between or on the first day of June and the first Tuesday of September. At such meeting, the vote shall be taken in answer to the following question which shall be printed on the official ballot:—“Shall the acceptance by the town of Winchester of an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, entitled ‘An Act to change the time of holding the annual meeting of the town of Winchester, to enlarge the powers and duties of the selectmen, to abolish certain offices, and to provide for the administration of town affairs’ be revoked?” If such revocation is favored by a majority of the voters voting thereon by ballot, the acceptance of this act shall be revoked from and after the date of the annual town meeting next following such vote. Such revocation shall not affect any contract then existing, or any action at law or suit in equity or other proceeding then pending. If such acceptance shall be revoked, as aforesaid, this act shall become null and void and thereafter all general laws respecting town government and town officers shall apply to the town of Winchester; and any special laws relative to said town which are repealed by this act shall be revived by such revocation. Any by-law in force when such revocation takes effect, so far as consistent with general laws respecting town government and town officers and with said special laws, shall not be affected thereby.

Revocation
of acceptance.Town meeting
to be called.Question to
be printed
on ballot.Revocation
not to affect
existing con-
tracts, etc.*Approved May 4, 1917.*

[1917, 196, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO SPECIFIC REPAIRS ON PUBLIC WAYS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON. *Chap. 318*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter three hundred and ninety-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six, as amended in section 1906, 393, § 1, etc., amended.

Specific repairs
on public ways
in the city of
Boston.

one by section one of chapter five hundred and thirty-six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, is hereby further amended by striking out said section one and inserting in place thereof the following:— *Section 1.* Every highway in the city of Boston shall be laid out, re-located, altered, widened, discontinued, constructed, or shall have specific repairs made thereon, only as provided in this act or as provided in some other special act for a highway named therein; and in this act the word “highway” means any public way which has become such through the act of the board or other authority or in any other manner; the words “public alley” mean any alley or passageway not exceeding twenty-five feet in width, laid out as a public alley by an order of the board of street commissioners of said city; the words “parcel of real estate” mean any lot of real estate as such lot was on the day of the first publication of notice of the intention to make the improvement or on the day of passing the order therefor if there is no such publication, including any lot a part of which is taken and any lot a part or the whole of which is leased, and excluding any land within any location of a railroad company.

Approved May 4, 1917.

Chap.319 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A PENSION TO JUDAH CROWELL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston
may pay a
pension to
Judah Crowell.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay to Judah Crowell, lately retired at the age of eighty-one, after twenty-one years service as janitor at police station eight in the said city, a pension equal to one half of the compensation which he received at the time of his retirement.

To be sub-
mitted to city
council, etc.
Proviso.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, such acceptance and approval occur prior to December thirty-first, in the current year. *Approved May 4, 1917.*

Chap.320 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF WORCESTER TO TAKE CERTAIN LAND IN SAID CITY AND IN THE TOWN OF SHREWSBURY FOR HIGHWAY AND OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of
Worcester may
take certain

SECTION 1. The city of Worcester is hereby authorized to take in fee for the purpose of widening Belmont street,

so-called, in that city, and the Massachusetts state highway location in the town of Shrewsbury, and of building a bridge and the necessary approaches thereto across Lake Quinsigamond, between the said city and town, certain land bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a drill hole in a stone monument marked W. H. and set in the ground at the point of intersection of the north line of Belmont street, as decreed by the city of Worcester September twenty-four, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, with the Worcester and Shrewsbury town line; thence south two degrees, twenty-nine minutes west by said Worcester and Shrewsbury town line ten feet to the point of intersection of said town line with the north line of the Massachusetts state highway location; thence deflecting eighty-six degrees, twenty-nine minutes to the left south eighty-four degrees, ten minutes east by said north line of the Massachusetts state highway location twenty-seven and eight tenths feet to an iron pin in a concrete monument set in the ground; thence by the same course sixty-six feet to an iron pin in a concrete monument set in the ground; thence by the same course one hundred fifty-five and eighty-six hundredths feet to the centre of the northerly or outside edge of a stone monument, marked M. H. B. and set in the ground; thence deflecting one hundred and seventy-six degrees, forty-one minutes to the left north eighty degrees, fifty-one minutes west by the north line of the Massachusetts state highway location produced and by land now or formerly of Dufresne brothers thirty-three and twelve hundredths feet to a point; thence deflecting eighty-seven degrees, thirty-two minutes to the right north six degrees, forty-one minutes east by land now or formerly of Dufresne brothers forty-three and ninety-five hundredths feet to a point; thence deflecting ninety degrees, twenty-two minutes to the left north eighty-three degrees, forty-one minutes west by land now or formerly of Dufresne brothers fifty-eight feet to a point; thence deflecting ninety degrees, twenty-two minutes to the right north six degrees, forty-one minutes east by land now or formerly of Dufresne brothers about one hundred and twelve feet to a retaining wall on the shore of Lake Quinsigamond; thence westerly by said retaining wall along the shore of Lake Quinsigamond about one hundred seventy-nine and six tenths feet; thence southerly by the retaining wall along the shore of Lake Quinsigamond about one hundred and sixty-nine feet to the

land in the town of Shrewsbury, etc., for highway, etc., purposes.

intersection of said retaining wall with said north line of Belmont street; thence south eighty-three degrees, forty-one minutes east by said north line of Belmont street twenty-three and fifty-eight hundredths feet to the place of beginning.

May sell remainder.

SECTION 2. After so much of the land taken by the said city, in accordance with the provisions of section one, has been appropriated for the said purposes as is needed therefor, the city may sell the remainder for value, with or without suitable restrictions.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 7, 1917.

[1896, 415; 1907, 477.]

Chap. 321 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF CERTAIN ARTICLES ON THE PARKS AND COMMONS OF THE CITY OF LOWELL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Lowell may authorize sale of certain articles on parks and commons.

SECTION 1. The board of park commissioners of the city of Lowell is hereby authorized and empowered, in its discretion, to sell, or to let the privilege of selling, light refreshments and non-alcoholic drinks on the parks and commons of said city, and in its discretion to rent for the above purposes and any purposes incidental thereto such parts of said parks and commons as said board may deem proper. Any revenues derived from such sales, letting or rentals shall be paid by said board into the treasury of the city and shall be added and credited to the appropriation for the carrying on of the work of said board.

1907, 477, § 1, amended.

SECTION 2. Section one of chapter four hundred and seventy-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: — and shall be added and credited to the appropriation for the carrying on of the work of said board.

Certain provisions of law not to apply.

SECTION 3. Section nine of chapter four hundred and fifteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six, so far as it may apply to the revenue derived from such sales and letting and from the rentals herein mentioned, and all other acts or ordinances inconsistent with this act shall not apply to the provisions hereof.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 9, 1917.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO THE SEVERAL ACTS MAKING *Chap. 322*
 APPROPRIATIONS FOR SUNDRY MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES
 AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, unless otherwise specified, to wit: —

For the purpose of printing and binding the compilation of the acts and resolves relating to the metropolitan park commission, to be paid out of the Metropolitan Parks Maintenance Fund, as authorized by chapter sixty-five of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For the services and necessary expenses, travelling or otherwise, of the state ornithologist, as authorized by chapter seventy-five of the General Acts of the present year, the sum of one thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

For the payment to the administrator of the estate of William J. Casey, as authorized by chapter nineteen of the resolves of the present year, the sum of two hundred two dollars and seventy-four cents.

For the investigation by the metropolitan water and sewerage board of the condition and capacity of the present metropolitan sewer in the town of Arlington, as authorized by chapter twenty-two of the resolves of the present year, to be paid from the North Metropolitan Sewerage Maintenance Fund, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

For certain expenses of the association of justices of district, police and municipal courts of Massachusetts, as authorized by chapter twenty-six of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For the Park Building Company of Worcester as a refund of an overpayment of taxes, as authorized by chapter twenty-seven of the resolves of the present year, to be paid from the receipts of the corporate franchise tax, the sum of two thousand nineteen dollars and fifty-five cents.

For providing for a proper representation of the commonwealth at the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in the city of Boston during the present year, to be expended under the direction of the governor and

Appropriations, sundry miscellaneous expenses.

Compilation of acts, etc., relative to metropolitan park commission.

State ornithologist, expenses.

Estate of William J. Casey.

Investigation of metropolitan sewer in Arlington.

Association of justices of district, police and municipal courts.

Park Building Company of Worcester.

Representation of commonwealth at national G. A. R. encampment.

council, as authorized by chapter twenty-nine of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding thirty-six thousand dollars.

George H. Walker of North Dighton.

For George H. Walker of North Dighton, as compensation in full for loss of certain bulbs, as authorized by chapter thirty-four of the resolves of the present year, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

Town of Peru.

For the town of Peru for educational purposes, as authorized by chapter thirty-five of the resolves of the present year, the sum of five hundred forty-five dollars and ninety-five cents.

Thomas E. Fallon of Medford.

For Thomas E. Fallon of Medford for compensation due in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen for an injury received by him, as authorized by chapter thirty-seven of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

Filling flats in Lynn harbor, etc.

For the purpose of completing the work of filling the flats in Lynn harbor and of protecting and surfacing the north-eastern shore of Lynn harbor, to be paid out of the Metropolitan Parks Maintenance Fund, as authorized by chapter one hundred and nineteen of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency for Hampden county.

For clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-three of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred and fifty dollars, the same to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

For the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, as authorized by chapter forty-one of the resolves of the present year, the sum of forty-five thousand dollars.

New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes.

For the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes, upon the approval of the board of education, as authorized by chapter forty-two of the resolves of the present year, the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars.

Mary O'Brien of Boston.

For the benefit of Mary O'Brien of Boston, to be paid to her or to a guardian appointed for the purpose, as authorized by chapter forty-six of the resolves of the present year, the sum of one thousand dollars.

Stand of colors Massachusetts department, G. A. R.

For replacing the stand of colors of the department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, as authorized by chapter forty-eight of the resolves of the present year, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

For Harry C. Parker of Concord to reimburse him in full for expenses and obligations incurred on account of certain injuries, as authorized by chapter fifty of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Harry C.
Parker of
Concord.

For Romeo E. Allen of Shrewsbury in reimbursement for the payment to secure an option on a certain farm, as authorized by chapter fifty-one of the resolves of the present year, the sum of one hundred dollars.

Romeo E.
Allen of
Shrewsbury.

For the investigation by the state department of health of the feasibility and probable cost of draining and improving the low and marsh land along the lower reaches of Neponset river and the shores of Quincy bay, as authorized by chapter fifty-two of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Investigation
of draining
low land on
Neponset
river, etc.

For the payment of expenses that may be incurred by the secretary of the commonwealth in connection with the reproduction of the manuscript collection designated "Massachusetts Archives", as authorized by chapter two hundred and sixty-four of the Special Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Reproduction
of "Massachu-
setts Archives."

For the expense of advertising hearings of the committees of the present general court, including expense of preparing and mailing advertisements to the various newspapers, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Advertising
committee
hearings of
general court.

For printing and binding the annual report of the board of free public library commissioners, the sum of twenty-five dollars and eighty-three cents, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Annual report
of free public
library com-
missioners.

For the compensation and expenses of the special recess committee on social insurance appointed in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, the sum of three hundred thirty-four dollars and twenty-six cents, the same to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Recess
committee
on social in-
surance.

For an annuity to Lemuel D. Burr and Anna Burr, as authorized by chapter twenty of the resolves of the present year, the sum of one hundred dollars, the same being in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for this purpose.

Lemuel D.
Burr and Anna
Burr.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 9, 1917.

[1915, 380, Spec.]

Chap. 323 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR THE OPERATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO THE BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Time extended for operation of certain provisions of law relative to the Boston and Maine railroad.

The prescribed time within which the special powers granted by the first seven sections of chapter three hundred and eighty of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen may be exercised, which has heretofore been extended by the public service commission to the first day of July nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby further extended to the first day of July nineteen hundred and nineteen. The powers contained in section ten of said special act may be exercised at any time prior to the first day of January nineteen hundred and twenty.

Approved May 9, 1917.

Chap. 324 AN ACT INCREASING THE AMOUNT THAT MAY BE EXPENDED FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1916, 137 (R), amended.

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred and thirty-seven of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by striking out the word "seventy-two", in the eighth and ninth lines, and inserting in place thereof the word:— seventy-six,— so as to read as follows:— *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ninety-two thousand seven hundred dollars be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to be expended under the direction of the trustees of Massachusetts training schools, at the industrial school for boys, for the following purposes:— For completing the construction of the central building, so as to provide a chapel, school rooms, and central offices, and for equipment, a sum not exceeding seventy-six thousand seven hundred dollars; and for a water system, a sum not exceeding sixteen thousand dollars.

Amount increased for certain improvements at industrial school for boys.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 14, 1917.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES AND ALTERATIONS IN THE STATE HOUSE EXTENSION. *Chap.325*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The state house commission is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars, to be paid out of the ordinary revenue, in making such changes and alterations in the state house extension as it may deem necessary, in accordance with a statement containing its recommendations filed with the joint committee on state house and libraries of the general court.

State house commission may make certain changes, etc., in state house extension.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 14, 1917.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE WESTFIELD RIVER RAILWAY COMPANY. *Chap.326*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Leonard F. Hardy, John S. Searle, Edmond Gareau, Milton S. Howes, Arlin V. Stevens, Charles H. Hathaway, Charles A. Bisbee, Sumner M. Pittsinger, Arlin T. Cole, Frederick T. Evans, Frank W. Bates and Charles F. Bates, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation, for the conveyance of passengers and property, by the name of Westfield River Railway Company, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities set forth in all general laws now or hereafter in force relating to steam or street railway companies, except as otherwise provided herein, and with such other powers and privileges as are granted hereby.

Westfield River Railway Company, incorporated.

SECTION 2. Said company may locate, construct, maintain and operate its railway, with a single or double track, in the manner provided by law, upon such streets, highways, and state roads, and in part upon private lands, in the towns of Huntington, Chesterfield, Worthington and Cummington, as may be from time to time designated by the public service commission, but no location which is within the area covered by the investigations of the commission on waterways and public lands under the provisions of chapter one hundred and thirteen of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen shall be so designated by the public service

May operate in certain towns.

commission except upon the approval of the commission on waterways and public lands.

May generate, use, sell, etc., electricity.

SECTION 3. Said company may maintain and operate its railway by electric power, or by any other system of motive power which shall be approved by the public service commission, may generate, manufacture, use and transmit electricity for its own purposes, may erect and maintain poles, trolley, feed and other wires, and other convenient devices and appliances for conducting electricity in, over and under any streets, bridges and public ways in any town wherein it may be authorized by the selectmen so to do, and upon and over any private land, with the consent of the owners thereof, and may sell electricity to, or purchase it from, any other street railway company or electric light company, and, subject to the provisions of sections one hundred and fifty-six and one hundred and fifty-seven of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, may sell electricity to any of the towns herein named for the purpose of furnishing light for municipal use or for the use of the inhabitants thereof, in accordance with existing law.

General laws to apply to proceedings for fixing route, etc.

SECTION 4. The proceedings for the fixing of the route and location of said railway for that part of the route outside of highways, and for the taking of private property and for the determination and payment of damages therefor, shall be the same as those prescribed by general laws.

May acquire, etc., real estate.

SECTION 5. Said company may acquire by purchase or lease, and may hold, all real estate and water power necessary or convenient for operating its power stations by water power, and for other uses incident to the proper maintenance and operation of its railway, and for the purpose of furnishing motive power for its own use, or for the purpose of furnishing light, heat or motive power as herein provided.

Capital stock.

SECTION 6. The capital stock of the said company shall not exceed one hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars, but may be increased from time to time, in accordance with law.

May issue bonds.

SECTION 7. Said company, in order to meet the expenses incurred under this act, may, subject to the approval of the public service commission as required by law, issue from time to time, by vote of a majority in interest of its stockholders, coupon or registered bonds, and secure the same by a mortgage or mortgages of the whole or parts of the franchise, railway and other property of the company.

SECTION 8. Said company is hereby authorized to carry the United States mail, to carry on an express business and to act as a common carrier of goods and merchandise, as freight, subject to the provisions of law relating to common carriers.

May carry on express and freight business, etc.

SECTION 9. Any town in which any part of said railway shall be located by the selectmen thereof, in accordance with law, may subscribe for, take and hold, shares of stock or bonds of said company to the amount and in the manner prescribed by general law in relation to railroads and railroad corporations, and for the purpose of this section said company shall be deemed and held to be a railroad corporation.

Certain towns may subscribe for stock and bonds.

SECTION 10. The authority herein granted shall cease if no part of the proposed railway has been built and put in operation at the end of three years from the passage of this act.

Authority to cease, when.

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 14, 1917.

[1900, 237; 1902, 233; 1908, 589; 1914, 494; 1916, 289, Spec.]

AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM TAXATION THE PENSION AND ANNUITY FUNDS FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, AND THE PENSIONS AND ANNUITIES PAID THEREFROM.

Chap. 327

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The pension and annuity funds provided for the public school teachers in the city of Boston by chapter two hundred and thirty-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred, and by chapter five hundred and eighty-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight, and all acts in amendment thereof, so far as the same are invested in personal property, and the pensions or annuities paid from said funds to the beneficiaries thereunder shall be exempt from taxation. The provisions of chapter two hundred and sixty-nine of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen shall not apply to the pension and annuity funds aforesaid, nor to the pensions or annuities paid therefrom.

Pension and annuity funds for Boston public school teachers, etc., exempt from taxation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 14, 1917.

Chap.328 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RELOCATION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC WAYS IN THE TOWN OF NORTH READING NEAR THE NORTH READING STATE SANATORIUM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

County commissioners of Middlesex county may relocate public ways in North Reading near the state sanatorium.

SECTION 1. The county commissioners of the county of Middlesex may, under the provisions of chapter forty-eight of the Revised Laws, and any amendments thereof, and with the approval of the trustees of hospitals for consumptives, relocate public ways in the town of North Reading adjoining or passing through any lands of the commonwealth used or appropriated for the North Reading sanatorium in said town, and may for this purpose take for such public ways lands belonging to the commonwealth.

To submit plans to trustees, etc.

SECTION 2. The said county commissioners shall submit to the said trustees a plan and description of any public way thus relocated, and when the said trustees consent thereto in writing, the lands of the commonwealth included in the relocation shall become part of the public way.

Damages, expense, etc.

SECTION 3. No damages shall be paid to the commonwealth on account of lands thus taken, but in full compensation therefor the said county and town shall bear the expense of establishing the said relocations and of erecting permanent stone bounds to mark the lines of the ways thus relocated.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 14, 1917.

Chap.329 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO LAY OUT AND CONSTRUCT STUART STREET FROM ELIOT STREET TO HUNTINGTON AVENUE AND TO RELOCATE AND CONSTRUCT ELIOT STREET FROM WASHINGTON STREET TO PLEASANT STREET.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston may lay out and construct Stuart street, etc.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston may, by and through its board of street commissioners and with the approval of the mayor, lay out and construct, in the manner hereinafter provided, a highway or highways, or any part thereof, not exceeding eighty feet in width, from a point at or near the junction of Eliot street and Warrenton street southwardly across Columbus avenue to Berkeley street opposite Stuart street and from Dartmouth street opposite Stuart

street westwardly to a point at or near the junction of Irvington street and Huntington avenue.

The city may also, by and through said board and with the approval of the mayor, relocate and lay out Eliot street from Washington street to Pleasant street by widening Eliot street on the southerly side thereof so that its width when so widened and relocated shall not exceed eighty feet; and the city may, in the same manner, relocate and lay out Stuart street between Trinity place and Dartmouth street by the widening of Stuart street so that its width when so widened and relocated shall not exceed eighty feet.

May relocate
Eliot street,
etc.

SECTION 2. The city of Boston may, for the purposes recited in section one of this act, take in fee any or all of the following described parcels of land, or any part or parts thereof, with any buildings thereon: —

May take
certain parcels
of land.

(a) A parcel on the southerly side of Eliot street, bounded northerly by Eliot street; easterly by Washington street; southerly by land now or formerly of Abraham Shuman; easterly again by said land now or formerly of Abraham Shuman; southerly again by Dore street; westerly by land now or formerly of William C. Codman, *et al.*, trustees; southerly again by said last named land; and westerly again by Tremont street, containing twenty-eight thousand one hundred and thirty-five square feet more or less.

(b) A parcel of land on the southerly side of Eliot street, bounded northerly by Eliot street; easterly by Tremont street; southerly by land now or formerly of Emeline A. Fowler; easterly again by the same; southerly again by land now or formerly of T. Harrington; westerly by land now or formerly of Hannah Bresnahan; southerly again by the same; and westerly again by Warrenton street, containing twenty-one thousand and seventeen square feet more or less.

(c) A parcel of land bounded northerly by Eliot street; easterly by Warrenton street; southerly by land now or formerly of Frank H. Locke, *et al.*; westerly and southerly again by land of William D. Sohler, *et al.*, trustees; and westerly again by Carver street, containing twenty-two thousand six hundred and seventy square feet more or less.

(d) A parcel of land bounded northerly by Eliot street; easterly by Carver street; southerly by land now or formerly of L. Pastorelli, by land now or formerly of the Animal Rescue League and by land now or formerly of Frederick C. Bowditch; and westerly by Pleasant street, containing

Same subject.

thirty-eight thousand four hundred and twenty-nine square feet more or less.

(e) A parcel of land bounded northerly by Tennyson street; easterly by Pleasant street; southerly by Shawmut street; and westerly by Church street, containing thirty thousand six hundred and seventy-five square feet more or less.

(f) A parcel of land bounded northerly by Tennyson street; easterly by Church street; southerly by Grenville place; and northwesterly by Columbus avenue, containing nineteen thousand nine hundred and ninety-six square feet more or less.

(g) A parcel of land bounded southeasterly by Columbus avenue; southwestery by land now or formerly of Frank B. Fay, *et al.*, trustees; northwesterly, northerly, and north-easterly by land of Amory Eliot, *et al.*, trustees, containing fourteen thousand nine hundred and forty-six square feet more or less.

(h) A parcel of land bounded northeasterly by Dartmouth street; southeasterly by land now or formerly of Sadie Diamond; northeasterly again by land now or formerly of said Diamond; southerly by the location of the Boston and Albany railroad to a point on said location about, but not less than, one hundred eighty feet distant from Huntington avenue as measured along the north-easterly line of said location; thence running in an easterly direction to a point being the southwest corner of the building at present abutting on Oxford terrace, so-called, and numbered five and six Oxford terrace, this last described course to be a part of the northerly line of the highway provided for by section one of this act; thence running along the southwestery line of said building now numbered five and six Oxford terrace and the northeasterly line of Oxford terrace to land now or formerly of Edward Peirce and Leslie C. Wead, trustees; thence running in a northeasterly direction and bounded northwesterly by said land now or formerly of Peirce and Wead, trustees, and land now or formerly of Wheaton Kittredge, *et al.*, trustees, to land now or formerly of Herbert L. Burrell heirs, this last described course being a straight line; thence running in a southeasterly direction and bounded northeasterly by said land now or formerly of said Burrell heirs to land now or formerly of F. W. Hunt, *et al.*; thence running in an easterly or north-easterly direction and bounded northwesterly again by said

land now or formerly of said Burrell heirs to Dartmouth street, containing fifty-one thousand five hundred and sixty-five square feet more or less.

SECTION 3. After so much of the land and other property so taken, in accordance with sections one and two of this act, has been appropriated for the said highways or streets or widening thereof as is needed therefor, the city of Boston may sell the remainder or any part thereof for value, with or without suitable restrictions.

May sell remainder of land taken.

SECTION 4. The said widening, relocation and construction and the assessment of betterments therefor shall be made in accordance with the provisions of chapter three hundred and ninety-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six, as amended by chapter five hundred and thirty-six of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen.

Certain laws to apply to widening, etc.

SECTION 5. The treasurer of the city of Boston, to pay the expenses incurred under the provisions of this act, shall from time to time, issue and sell serial bonds of the city to an amount not exceeding four million dollars and at an interest rate not exceeding four and one half per cent, and shall hold the proceeds of said bonds in the treasury of the city and pay therefrom the expenses as aforesaid. Said bonds shall not be reckoned in determining the statutory indebtedness of the city.

Bond issues, rate of interest.

SECTION 6. The proceeds of all land and property sold and of all betterments levied and collected shall, in the first instance, be applied to the payment of the principal and interest of bonds issued under this act, and any excess of such proceeds over and above the amount necessary therefor may be paid into sinking funds established for the payment of debt incurred outside the limit of indebtedness.

Application of proceeds, sale of land, etc.

SECTION 7. Before taking more of any or all of the parcels of land hereinbefore described than is needed for the actual laying out, constructing or relocating of said highways and streets and the widening thereof, the city shall enter into such agreements or take such guaranties or bonds as it may deem advisable providing in the aggregate for the reimbursement to the city, either by sales of land or other property taken or otherwise, for the estimated cost, in no case exceeding the actual cost, to the city of the land and property taken and of laying out, constructing and relocating and widening said highways and streets, less the amount of any and all estimated betterments which the city may

City to make certain agreements, etc.

Certificate to be recorded.

assess on account thereof. A certificate signed and acknowledged by the city clerk that such agreements have been entered into or that such bonds or guaranties have been taken, and recorded in the registry of deeds for the county of Suffolk shall be sufficient evidence of the compliance by the city with the provisions of this section.

Limitation on takings, etc.

SECTION 8. If the city, for the purposes of this act, takes any of the parcels of land hereinbefore described only to the extent necessary to provide for the actual laying out, constructing or relocating of parts of said highways and streets, and the widening thereof, the power given by this act to take any of said parcels of land only to such necessary extent shall cease to be exercised if and when the awards of damages made by the board of street commissioners of the city upon such takings amount in the aggregate to two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The purpose of this provision is to limit the probable expense to the city to two hundred and fifty thousand dollars on account of takings other than those made by virtue of the authority given by this act to take land in excess of the amount actually needed for street purposes. A certificate signed and acknowledged by the secretary of the board of street commissioners that such takings have not been made in excess of the amount hereinbefore specified, and recorded in the registry of deeds for the county of Suffolk, shall be sufficient evidence of the compliance by the city with the provisions of this section.

Recording of certificate to be evidence of compliance, etc.

Unconstitutionality of certain sections not to affect remainder.

SECTION 9. If any part, subdivision or section of this act shall be declared unconstitutional the validity of the remaining parts of this act shall not be affected thereby.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor and the city council of the city of Boston within one year after its passage.

Approved May 14, 1917.

Chap.330 AN ACT RELATIVE TO APPROPRIATIONS MADE FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE BOARDS OF REGISTRATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Availability of certain appropriations made for salaries, etc., of boards of registration.

SECTION 1. Appropriations made for salaries and expenses of the board of registration in optometry, of the board of registration in embalming, and of the board of registration of nurses, for the current year, shall be respectively

available for the purposes specified up to the several amounts paid into the treasury of the commonwealth during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and sixteen, by said boards as receipts, notwithstanding any provision in chapters fifty, eighty-four and one hundred and seventy-six of the Special Acts of the present year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 16, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF QUINCY TO PAY CERTAIN BILLS CONTRACTED BY CITY OFFICIALS IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR. Chap.331

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Quincy is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars for the payment of bills incurred by its officers and departments, in excess of their respective appropriations, prior to January first, nineteen hundred and seventeen. To provide the necessary funds therefor, the city may borrow on notes of the city payable in the years nineteen hundred and seventeen, nineteen hundred and eighteen and nineteen hundred and nineteen; but the amount of said notes payable in any year shall not be greater than the amount payable in any preceding year.

City of Quincy may pay certain bills contracted by city officials, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 16, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF NEWTON TO TAKE LAND FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES. Chap.332

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Newton, by vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, may take in fee by gift, purchase, or by right of eminent domain, any land within the limits of the city, not appropriated to public uses, for a site for a city hall and, from time to time, for the enlargement of any lot taken or used for the said purpose; but no land shall be taken by right of eminent domain if the lot will thereby exceed three acres in area. The vote shall contain a description sufficient for identification of the land so taken.

City of Newton may take land for a city hall.

Description of land, etc., to be recorded.

SECTION 2. The mayor, within sixty days after the passage of a vote to take land by eminent domain, shall sign and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the southern district of the county of Middlesex, a statement that the city takes the land, reciting the description aforesaid, and the purpose for which the land is taken, and upon such recording, the land so described shall be deemed to be taken in fee by the city; but no registered land shall be deemed to have been taken until the provisions of section eighty-nine of chapter one hundred and twenty-eight of the Revised Laws have been complied with.

Damages, how determined.

SECTION 3. The board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, may agree with any person sustaining damages to his property by such taking, and the city shall pay the same, but, if they are unable to agree, the damages shall, on petition of either party, filed in the superior court within two years after the date of the recording of the statement aforesaid, be determined by a jury in the manner provided for determining damages sustained by the taking of land for highways.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 16, 1917.

Chap.333 AN ACT VALIDATING THE LOCATIONS GRANTED BY THE TOWN OF WINCHENDON FOR THE ELECTRIC LINES OF THE WINCHENDON ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Locations granted Winchendon Electric Light and Power Company validated.

SECTION 1. All lines for the transmission of electricity for light, heat or power, heretofore acquired or constructed by the Winchendon Electric Light and Power Company in the town of Winchendon, upon, along, over and under the public ways and places of said town, and the poles, piers, abutments, conduits and other fixtures necessary to sustain or protect the wires of said lines and now in actual use, are hereby made lawful notwithstanding the lack of any valid locations granted to the said company therefor, or any informality in the proceedings of the town or town officers relative to their location and erection.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 16, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES OF THE MINIMUM WAGE COMMISSION. *Chap.334*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the compensation and expenses of the minimum wage commission, during the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit: —

For the salaries and expenses of the commissioners, a sum not exceeding twenty-three hundred dollars. Minimum wage commission, appropriations. Commissioners, salaries.

For the salary of the secretary, two thousand dollars. Secretary.

For necessary clerical assistance, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars. Clerical assistance.

For the salaries of agents and investigators, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars. Agents.

For the compensation and expenses of wage boards, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars. Wage boards.

For travelling and contingent expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding twenty-six hundred dollars. Travelling expenses, etc.

For office rent, the sum of sixteen hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 16, 1917.

[1893, 478, 481; 1894, 548; 1895, 440; 1896, 492; 1897, 347, 500; 1899, 375; 1902, 114, 534; 1903, 190; 1904, 167; 1905, 187, 460, 466; 1906, 213, 520; 1907, 258, 573; 1909, 455; 1911, 741; 1913, 775, 810; 1914, 636, 644; 1915, 87, Spec., 130, Spec., 270, Spec., 293, Spec., 297, Spec., 376, Spec.; 1916, 342, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOSTON TRANSIT COMMISSION TO MAKE SUCH ALTERATIONS IN THE TREMONT STREET SUBWAY AT ADAMS SQUARE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON AS WILL ENABLE THE BAY STATE STREET RAILWAY COMPANY TO ESTABLISH A TERMINAL AT SAID SQUARE. *Chap.335*

Be it enacted. etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Boston transit commission is hereby authorized, upon request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, to make such changes and alterations in the Tremont street subway in the vicinity of Adams square as will adapt the Adams square station for use by the Bay State Street Railway Company as its terminal in the city of Boston, and the cost of such changes or alterations shall be

Boston transit commission to make changes at Adams square in Tremont street subway to enable Bay State Street Railway Company to establish terminal.

added to the cost of the Tremont street subway upon which the rentals shall be computed and be paid for in the same manner as the original cost of the subway.

Payment to
Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company.

SECTION 2. In case the Bay State Street Railway Company establishes its terminal at Adams square, it shall pay to the Boston Elevated Railway Company as assignee of the West End Street Railway Company four and one half per cent per annum upon the cost of the changes and alterations made by the Boston transit commission under authority hereof, in addition to such other compensation as may be agreed upon based upon the provisions of the present contract between the Bay State Street Railway Company and the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

Approved May 16, 1917.

[1917, 344, Spec.]

Chap.336 AN ACT IN FURTHER ADDITION TO THE SEVERAL ACTS MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SUNDRY MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, sundry miscellaneous expenses.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, unless otherwise specified, to wit:—

State employees serving on Mexican border.

For payments to certain state employees who served in the national guard on the Mexican border, as authorized by chapter forty-three of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding forty-two hundred and fifty dollars.

Investigation of protection of Mystic lakes.

For an investigation of the subject of protecting the Mystic lakes in the city of Medford and towns of Arlington and Winchester, as authorized by chapter forty-five of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, to be assessed upon the cities and towns of the metropolitan parks district.

Storehouse and bath room at state prison.

For a new storehouse and bath room at the state prison, as authorized by chapter fifty-four of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars, to be paid from the receipts from the State Prison Industries Fund.

Platform scales.

For providing for platform scales at the state prison, as authorized by chapter fifty-five of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars, to be paid from the State Prison Industries Fund.

For an investigation relative to the sewage discharged into Boston harbor, as authorized by chapter fifty-six of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, to be met by assessments of one third each upon the cities and towns of the north sewerage system, of the south sewerage system, and of the city of Boston.

Investigation of sewage discharged into Boston harbor.

For certain improvements at the state arsenal and camp ground at Framingham, as authorized by chapter fifty-seven of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand dollars.

Improvements at Framingham camp ground and arsenal.

For reimbursement of certain state employees at the state infirmary, as authorized by chapter fifty-eight of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred and sixty-seven dollars and eighty cents.

Employees at state infirmary.

For an investigation of the necessity of giving instruction to prisoners in houses of correction in certain counties, as authorized by chapter fifty-nine of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Investigation of necessity of instructing certain prisoners.

For the maintenance of the New Bedford textile school, the sum of thirty thousand dollars; and for certain improvements at said school, the sum of nine thousand three hundred and ten dollars; both sums to be paid to the trustees of the said school subject to the conditions of chapter seventy-four of the resolves of the present year.

New Bedford textile school.

For the maintenance of The Bradford Durfee Textile School of Fall River, the sum of thirty thousand dollars, to be paid to the trustees of said school subject to the conditions of chapter seventy-five of the resolves of the present year.

The Bradford Durfee Textile School of Fall River.

For salaries and expenses in the production of antitoxin and vaccine lymph, and other specific materials, as authorized by chapter one hundred and ninety of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding forty-five hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Production of antitoxin and vaccine lymph.

For the maintenance of the reformatory for women, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Reformatory for women.

Of the appropriations made by chapter forty-four of the Special Acts of the present year, to be expended under the direction of the state forester, the following adjustments and transfers are hereby made: — For clerical and other office assistance, a sum not exceeding sixty-nine hundred dollars; for travelling expenses necessarily incurred by the state

State forester.

Same subject.

forester and his secretary, and for office supplies and incidental expenses, including the printing and binding of the annual report, a sum not exceeding fifty-one hundred dollars. Of these two sums ten thousand dollars shall be taken from the appropriation for the suppression of gypsy moths, and two thousand dollars from the appropriation for incidental and contingent expenses of the state forester as provided in said chapter forty-four.

Unexpended balance for examination of salaries, etc., made available.

Any unexpended balance remaining on November thirtieth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, from the appropriation of ten thousand dollars, made by chapter two hundred and ten of the Special Acts of the present year, for expert and temporary services in making an examination of salaries and other compensation, shall be available for use in the fiscal year nineteen hundred and eighteen, notwithstanding any provisions of said chapter two hundred and ten.

Clerical assistance for treasurer and receiver general.

For clerical assistance and such other expenses as may be necessary, to be expended and approved by the treasurer and receiver general, to enable him to administer the provisions of chapter two hundred and eleven of the General Acts of the present year, providing state pay for soldiers in the volunteer service of the United States, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Drainage surveys.

For expenditures for drainage surveys, as authorized by, and subject to the approval of, the joint board provided for by chapter two hundred and twelve of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency in Middlesex county.

For clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency in the county of Middlesex, as provided by chapter ninety-five of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Employment of prisoners in reclaiming land.

For the services of guards and purchase of equipment necessary for the employment of prisoners in reclaiming and cultivating land, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-nine of the General Acts of the present year, to be expended with the approval of the director of the bureau of prisons, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

City of Revere for use of its sewerage system.

For compensation to the city of Revere for the use of its sewerage system by the metropolitan park commission, as authorized by chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, to be paid, upon the approval of the metropolitan park commission, from the Metropolitan Parks Maintenance Fund.

For the publication of information relative to the national flag, the great seal, coat-of-arms and flag of the commonwealth, as authorized by chapter one hundred and eighty-one of the General Acts of the present year, to be expended upon the approval of the secretary of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Publication of information relative to national flag, etc.

For enlarging the Mount Tom state reservation, as authorized by chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, payments to be made with the approval of the Mount Tom state reservation commission.

Enlarging Mount Tom state reservation.

For salaries and expenses necessarily incurred in administering the law relative to the registration of chiropractors, the expenses to be approved by the board of registration in medicine, as authorized by chapter two hundred and two of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.

Registration of chiropractors.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 18, 1917.

[1916, 363, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE DISPOSITION OF SEWAGE FROM THE WORCESTER STATE HOSPITAL. Chap. 337

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter three hundred and sixty-three of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by inserting after the word "hospital", in the third line, the words:—subject to the approval of the commission on mental diseases, by striking out all after the word "purposes", in the tenth line, down to and including the word "dollars", in the fifteenth line, and inserting in place thereof the words:—In constructing the said system of sewerage the said trustees, subject to the approval of the commission on mental diseases, may expend a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars; and by adding at the end thereof the words:—Said city shall not enter upon, construct or lay any conduits, pipes or other works within the location of a railroad corporation, except at such time and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or, in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the public service commission, — so as to read as follows:—*Section 1.* Upon the acceptance by the city of Worcester of the provisions of this act, as hereinafter

1916, 363 (S),
§ 1, amended.

Disposition of sewage from the

Worcester
state hospital.

provided, the trustees of the Worcester state hospital, subject to the approval of the commission on mental diseases, shall construct a system of sewerage connecting said hospital with the system of sewerage for said city, and may carry such sewers, drains, pipes and conduits as may be necessary for the purposes of this act under and along any street, railroad, railway, highway or other way, in such manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same, and may do any other thing necessary and proper for said purposes. In constructing the said system of sewerage the said trustees, subject to the approval of the commission on mental diseases, may expend a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars: *provided, however*, that no such connection between the said hospital and the Worcester system of sewerage shall be made unless the state department of health, after making a thorough investigation of the sewerage conditions of the Blackstone river and the conditions surrounding the present method of disposal of the sewage of the said hospital, shall certify to the auditor of the commonwealth that it is desirable from the point of view of the public health that the Worcester state hospital shall be connected with the sewerage system of the city of Worcester. Said city shall not enter upon, construct or lay any conduits, pipes or other works within the location of a railroad corporation, except at such time and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or, in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the public service commission.

Proviso.

Penalty.

SECTION 2. Violation of any provision of this act shall be punished by fine or imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

Approved May 18, 1917.

Chap. 338 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF ARLINGTON TO CONVEY CERTAIN LANDS TO THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS OF SAID TOWN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Park commis-
sioners of
Arlington may
convey certain
lands to
cemetery
commissioners.

SECTION 1. The park commissioners of the town of Arlington are hereby authorized to convey to the cemetery commissioners of that town, for cemetery purposes, such parts of Meadow Brook park as may be designated by the town.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 21, 1917.

AN ACT TO RATIFY A VOTE OF THE TOWN OF WEYMOUTH *Chap.339*
 MAKING PROVISION FOR THE WIDOW AND CHILDREN OF
 THE LATE PATRICK BUTLER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The vote passed by the town of Weymouth at its annual meeting on the fifth day of March in the current year appropriating the sum of four thousand dollars for the widow and children of the late Patrick Butler, who on April fifteenth, nineteen hundred and fifteen, sustained fatal injuries while in the conscientious discharge of his duties as chief of police, is hereby confirmed and ratified. The said amount shall be payable at the rate of ten dollars a week for four hundred weeks from April fifteen, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

Certain vote
of town of
Weymouth
ratified.

SECTION 2. Section two of chapter eighty-six of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 21, 1917.

[1849, 89; 1850, 184; 1852, 182; 1854, 16; 1856, 159; 1859, 213; 1861, 107; 1864, 109; 1867, 95; 1868, 308, 345; 1870, 147, 209; 1875, 65; 1883, 27; 1886, 83, 253; 1890, 110, 435; 1891, 132, 338; 1892, 261, 369; 1893, 313, 378; 1894, 247; 1895, 265; 1896, 318; 1900, 151, 367; 1904, 76; 1905, 217; 1906, 112; 1909, 178, 372; 1910, 602; 1914, 135.]

AN ACT TO REVISE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF LYNN. *Chap.340*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The inhabitants of the city of Lynn shall continue to be a body corporate and politic, under the name of the City of Lynn, and as such shall have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities, and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations provided for herein or by statute or otherwise pertaining to cities as municipal corporations. In addition to the powers enumerated above it shall have the power to own, buy, erect, maintain, lease and regulate wharves and docks, and charge wharfage and dockage.

Charter of
city of
Lynn revised.

SECTION 2. The territory of the city shall continue to be divided into seven wards, which shall retain their present boundaries until the same shall be changed in accordance with general law, but the number of wards shall never be less than seven.

Number of
wards to
remain seven.

SECTION 3. The chief executive officer of the city shall be a mayor, elected by and from the qualified voters of the

Mayor,
election, etc.

city, for the term of two years from the first Monday of January following his election and until his successor is elected and qualified, except as is provided in section fifty-seven.

City council,
election, etc.

SECTION 4. The legislative powers of the city shall be vested in a city council, composed of eleven members, four of whom shall be elected at large by and from the qualified voters of the whole city, and seven from the several wards, to wit, one by and from the qualified voters of each ward. At the city election next after the acceptance of this act the two councillors elected at large who stand highest in respect to the number of votes cast at such election shall serve for two years, and the two next highest, for one year, from the first Monday of the following January. At said election, of the councillors elected from the several wards, four shall serve for one year, and three for two years, from said first Monday, as determined by lot drawn by the city clerk. At each annual election thereafter their respective successors shall be elected to serve for two years. A councillor shall, in all cases, serve until the election and qualification of his successor, except as is provided in section fifty-seven. The city council shall annually from its membership elect a president. Its clerk shall be the city clerk.

President
and clerk.

Powers, etc.,
of mayor and
city council,
how exercised.

SECTION 5. The mayor and city council shall, except as is otherwise provided herein, have and exercise such powers and authority as are vested in mayors and city councils by the general laws of the commonwealth.

Preliminary
election for
nominating
candidates,
etc.

SECTION 6. On the third Tuesday preceding every annual election at which any office mentioned in this act is to be filled, except as is otherwise provided in section fourteen, there shall be held a preliminary election for the purpose of nominating candidates therefor. No special election for mayor or any other officer shall be held until after the expiration of forty days from the calling of a preliminary election, except as is otherwise provided herein. At every annual, preliminary and special election the polls shall be opened at forty-five minutes past five o'clock in the forenoon, and shall remain open until four o'clock in the afternoon, and the laws of the commonwealth relative to annual city elections shall apply thereto, except as is otherwise specifically provided herein.

No other
names to
appear on
official ballot.

SECTION 7. Except as is otherwise provided herein, there shall not be printed on the official ballot to be used at any annual or special election the name of any person as a candi-

date for any office unless such person has been nominated as such at a preliminary election for nomination, held as provided herein. There shall not be printed on the official ballot for use at such preliminary election the name of any candidate for nomination at such preliminary election, unless he shall have filed, within the time limited by section eight, the statement therein described.

SECTION 8. Any person who is qualified to vote for a candidate for any elective municipal office, and who is a candidate for nomination thereto, shall be entitled to have his name as such candidate printed on the official ballot to be used at a preliminary election: *provided*, that at least ten days prior to such preliminary election he shall file with the city clerk a statement in writing of his candidacy, and with it the petition of at least fifty voters, qualified to vote for a candidate for the said office. Said statement and petition shall be in substantially the following form: —

Who may be candidates.

Proviso.

Statement of Candidate.

I, (), on oath declare that I reside at (number if any) on (name of street) in the city of LYNN; that I am a voter therein, qualified to vote for a candidate for the hereinafter mentioned office; that I am a candidate for the office of (name of office) for (state the term) to be voted for at the preliminary election to be held on Tuesday, the day of , nineteen hundred and , and I request that my name be printed as such candidate on the official ballot for use at said preliminary election.

Form of statement of candidate.

(Signed)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Essex ss.

Subscribed and sworn to on this day of ,
nineteen hundred and before me,

(Signed)

Justice of the Peace,
or (Notary Public).

Petition Accompanying Statement of Candidate.

Whereas (name of candidate) is a candidate for nomination for the office of (state the office) for (state the term), we the undersigned, voters of the city of LYNN, duly qualified to vote for a candidate for said office, do hereby request

Petition accompanying candidate's statement.

that the name of said (name of candidate) as a candidate for nomination for said office be printed on the official ballot to be used at the preliminary election to be held on the
 Tuesday of _____, nineteen
 hundred and _____.

We further state that we believe him to be of good moral character and qualified to perform the duties of the office.

Acceptance and oath not required.

No acceptance by a candidate for nomination named in the said petition shall be necessary to its validity or its filing, and the petition, which may be on one or more papers, need not be sworn to.

Women may vote for school committee.

SECTION 9. Women qualified to vote for school committee may be candidates for nomination to membership therein at any preliminary election at which candidates therefor are to be nominated: *provided*, that they file the above described statement and accompanying petition, and at such preliminary election may vote for candidates for said committee, but for no others.

Proviso.

Names of candidates to be posted.

SECTION 10. On the first day, other than Sunday or a legal holiday, following the expiration of the time for filing the above described statement and petition, the city clerk shall post in a conspicuous place in the city hall the names and residences of the candidates for nomination who have duly qualified as candidates for nomination, as they are to appear on the official ballots to be used at the preliminary election, except as to the order of the names, and shall cause the ballots which shall contain said names, in their order as drawn by the clerk, and no others, with a designation of residence, and of the office and term of service, to be printed, and the ballots so printed shall be official and no others shall be used at the preliminary election. In drawings for position on the ballot the candidates shall have an opportunity to be present in person or by one representative. Blank spaces shall be left at the end of each list of candidates for nomination for the different offices equal to the number to be nominated therefor, in which the voter may insert the name of any person not printed on the ballot for whom he desires to vote for nomination for such office. There shall be printed on such ballots such directions as will aid the voter, as, for example: "vote for one", "vote for two", and the like, and the ballots shall be headed as follows: —

Official Preliminary Ballot.

Candidates for nomination for the offices of () in the city of Lynn. At a preliminary election to be held on the day of in the year nineteen hundred and .

Official preliminary ballot.

(The heading shall be varied in accordance with the offices for which nominations are to be made.)

There shall also be a special ballot printed for the use of women qualified to vote for members of the school committee, and headed as follows:—

Official Preliminary Ballot for Women.

Candidates for nomination for members of school committee of the city of Lynn. At a preliminary election held on the day of in the year nineteen hundred and .

Official preliminary ballot for women.

Then shall follow a reproduction of so much of the regular ballot as relates to the school committee.

SECTION 11. No ballot used at any preliminary, special or annual election shall have printed thereon, or appended to the name of any candidate, any party or other political designation or mark, or anything showing how any candidate was nominated, or indicating his views or opinions.

Party or political designations prohibited.

SECTION 12. The election officers shall, immediately upon the closing of the polls at preliminary elections, count the ballots and ascertain the number of votes cast in the several voting places for each candidate, and forthwith make return thereof upon blanks to be furnished, as in annual elections, to the city clerk who shall canvass said returns and shall forthwith determine the result thereof, publish the same in one or more newspapers published in the city, and post the same in a conspicuous place in the city hall.

Counting of ballots, canvass of returns, etc.

SECTION 13. The two persons receiving at a preliminary election the highest number of votes for nomination for an office shall be the sole candidates for that office whose names may be printed on the official ballot to be used at the annual or special election at which such office is to be filled, and no acceptance of a nomination at a preliminary election shall be necessary to its validity.

Nominations, how determined.

If two or more persons are to be elected to the same office at such annual or special election the several persons in number equal to twice the number so to be elected receiving

What candidates' names are to be printed on official ballot.

at such preliminary election the highest number of votes for nomination for that office, or all such persons, if less than twice the number of those so to be elected, shall be the sole candidates for that office whose names may be printed on the official ballot.

Tie vote.

If the preliminary election results in a tie vote among candidates for nomination receiving the lowest number of votes, which, but for said tie vote, would entitle a person receiving the same to have his name printed upon the official ballot for the election, all candidates participating in said tie vote shall have their names printed upon the official ballot, although in consequence there be printed thereon candidates to a number exceeding twice the number to be elected.

When less than required number of statements have been filed.

SECTION 14. If at the expiration of the time for filing statements of candidates to be voted for at any preliminary election not more than twice as many such statements have been filed with the city clerk for the office of mayor, councillor at large, or school committee as are to be elected to said offices respectively, the candidates whose statements have thus been filed shall be deemed to have been nominated to said offices respectively, and their names shall be used at such annual or special election, and the city clerk shall not print said names upon the ballot to be used at said preliminary election, and no other nomination to said offices shall be made. And if in any ward, at the expiration of the time for filing statements of candidates to be voted for at any preliminary election, not more than twice as many such statements have been filed with the city clerk for the office of councillor from such ward as are to be elected, the candidates whose statements have thus been filed shall be deemed to have been nominated, and their names shall be printed on the official ballot to be used at such annual or special election, and the city clerk shall not print said names upon the ballot to be used at said preliminary election, and no other nominations to said offices shall be made. And if it shall appear that no names are to be printed upon the official ballot to be used at any preliminary election in any ward or wards of the city, no preliminary election shall be held in any such ward or wards.

Mayor and councillors-elect to be sworn.

SECTION 15. On the first Monday in January in each year, the mayor-elect and the councillors-elect shall meet and be sworn to the faithful discharge of their respective

duties. The oath may be administered by the city clerk or by any justice of the peace, and a certificate thereof shall be entered on the journal of the city council. At any subsequent meeting of the council, the oath may be administered to the mayor or to any councillor not in attendance at the initial meeting.

SECTION 16. I. A majority of the council shall constitute a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a majority of all the members of the council shall be necessary to adopt any motion, order, resolution or ordinance, except a motion to adjourn, except as is otherwise provided herein.

II. Special meetings shall be called in the manner, and held at the time and place fixed by ordinance. Notice stating the time and place of the meeting, and, in substance, the matters then to be considered shall be given each councillor by service in hand, or by leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode, not less than six hours before the time fixed therefor.

SECTION 17. The mayor shall receive in full compensation for all services to the city such salary, not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars a year, as the city council by ordinance shall determine, which shall not be increased or diminished during the term for which he is elected. The council may, by yea and nay vote, establish a salary for its members, not exceeding five hundred dollars a year, which shall not be increased or diminished to take effect during the current municipal year.

SECTION 18. All appropriations or loans shall be made in accordance with the provisions of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen and the amendments thereof. The vote of the city council thereon shall be taken by yeas and nays. All meetings of the council shall be public.

SECTION 19. Neither the mayor nor any member of the city council shall, during the term for which he is elected, hold any other office or position the salary or compensation for which is payable from the city treasury; nor shall he act as counsel or attorney before the city council or any committee thereof, or before any board or department of the city.

SECTION 20. There shall be the following administrative officers who shall exercise the powers and discharge the duties respectively conferred or imposed by law upon such

Quorum.

Special meetings.

Salaries.

Appropriations and loans.

Council meetings to be public.

Officials not to hold other offices, etc.

Administrative officers.

officers, and in addition thereto, such further appropriate powers and duties, not inconsistent with general law, as the city council may prescribe.

1. A city clerk.
2. A city treasurer.
3. A city auditor.
4. A city solicitor.
5. A collector of taxes who shall also be city collector.
6. A city engineer.
7. A superintendent of buildings, who shall be inspector of buildings within the meaning of existing laws.
8. A superintendent of streets and sewers.
9. A commissioner of water supply.
10. A city electrician.

To be elected
by city council.

Each of the officers above mentioned shall be elected by the city council, as soon as may be after the first day of March, for the term of three years, beginning on the first day of April following.

Commissioner
of public
health.

11. A commissioner of public health to be appointed by the mayor subject to confirmation by the city council for the term of three years at a compensation to be fixed by ordinance. He shall be a physician of good standing, licensed to practice medicine in this commonwealth. Said commissioner shall have supervision and control of the city chemist, inspectors of milk, the veterinary inspector and the health inspectors, with power to make such rules and regulations relative thereto, not inconsistent with statute or ordinance, as he deems advisable, subject, however, to the approval of the city council. He shall have and exercise all the powers and duties conferred or imposed by general law upon boards of health.

Board of
assessors.

12. A board of assessors consisting of three members, who shall be elected by the city council as soon as may be after the first Monday of February, for terms, beginning as of February first, of one, two and three years respectively, and thereafter their successors shall be elected for terms of three years. The assessors shall appoint from the qualified voters, and may prescribe the duties of, and remove at pleasure, one or more assistant assessors.

Board of
overseers of
the poor.

13. A board of overseers of the poor consisting of the mayor, who shall be chairman, and four members to be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council, two for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years, and there-

after their successors shall be appointed for the term of three years.

14. A board of sinking fund commissioners consisting of three members to be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council, for terms of one, two and three years respectively, and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for the term of three years.

Board of sinking fund commissioners.

15. A board of cemetery commissioners consisting of seven members to be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council, from the lot owners of any cemetery subject to its supervision, three for the term of one year, two for the term of two years and two for the term of three years, and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for the term of three years. Said commission shall have full charge and supervision of all cemeteries owned or controlled by the city, and shall select and have charge of its officers and employees. The city council may by ordinance make such changes in the number of commissioners, date of election or otherwise, as may be necessary to comply with the terms of the conveyance by the Pine Grove Cemetery Corporation to the city of Lynn dated January second, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and may make the ordinance applicable to all cemeteries owned or controlled by the city.

Board of cemetery commissioners.

16. A board of park commissioners consisting of five members to be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council, one for the term of one year, two for the term of two years, and two for the term of three years, and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for three years.

Board of park commissioners.

17. The city council shall, by ordinance, provide for the administration of the public library by trustees to be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council.

Public library trustees.

18. The city council shall establish and maintain a police department to be under the supervision of the mayor, who shall appoint the chief and all subordinate ranking officers, patrolmen and reserve and special officers, whereof the number and designation shall be determined by ordinance.

Police department.

19. The city council shall establish and maintain a fire department and provide by ordinance for the organization and government thereof. All appointments therein shall be made by the mayor.

Fire department.

SECTION 21. All officers appointed or elected, shall, except as is otherwise provided, be appointed or elected as

Terms of office.

soon as may be after the first day of March, for the terms stated and until their respective successors have qualified; and their terms of office, except as is otherwise provided, shall begin as of April first, but no compensation shall be allowed or paid for any period prior to qualification. And if the date of the qualification of any officer falls on a legal holiday the same shall occur on the next secular day, except as is otherwise provided.

Commission
on ways and
drainage.

SECTION 22. The mayor, city engineer, superintendent of streets and sewers, commissioner of water supply, and one member to be elected by and from the city council, shall constitute a commission on ways and drainage, of which the mayor shall be chairman. Said commission shall have cognizance and general direction and control of the construction, repair, care, sprinkling and lighting of streets, ways and sidewalks, and of all wires in or over the same, and of all shade and ornamental trees growing therein; of the construction, alteration, repair and care of main drains, common sewers and catch basins; of the construction, alteration, repair, care and maintenance of public bridges, and the laying of water pipes; the collection of ashes and waste and of house offal; the care, superintendence and management of the public grounds, except the common, and public parks and playgrounds, and of such grounds as are appurtenant to buildings in charge of other departments, as is provided elsewhere herein. The said commission shall, except as otherwise provided herein, be exclusively vested with the powers, and shall be subject to the liabilities and penalties conferred or imposed by law on surveyors of highways. No person, department of the city or corporation, except in case of emergency, shall dig up or open for any purpose any public street or way in said city without first obtaining permission in writing from said commission.

Opening of
streets.

All persons, firms, corporations, departments or others opening a street with the permission of said commission, shall restore the street to its former condition to the satisfaction of said commission, which otherwise shall make such restoration at the expense of the delinquent person, firm, corporation, department or others who made such opening, and said commission may require a bond or other security for the performance of any contract relative thereto.

Commission
to report
recommendations.

The said commission shall annually, not later than the second Monday in January, prepare and furnish to the city council a complete and detailed report containing its recom-

recommendations relative to general highway and sewer improvements in the city for the current fiscal year, which shall also include its recommendations as to the acceptance, laying out and construction of streets and general sidewalk improvements, its recommendations as to the location, installation and construction of new sewers during the said fiscal year, all of which shall be accompanied by estimates of costs and outline plans of the proposed work. The recommendations for sidewalk and street and sewer construction shall be accompanied by specific data as to the material to be used and the method of construction. Said report shall include also all plans for the installation of new water pipes or mains, other than house connections, in any streets or ways in said city during the said fiscal year, and for that purpose the water commissioner shall furnish the said commission with the necessary information upon which to base so much of the report as relates to water pipes or mains. All petitions and orders not reported by said commission for the laying out and acceptance of streets, the construction of sidewalks and sewer construction, shall in the first instance be referred by the city council to said commission, which shall return the same to the city council with its recommendations thereon, not later than one month from the time of reference, unless the time is extended by the city council upon the written request of said commission stating sufficient cause therefor. If in any such report the commission shall recommend new construction work or the taking of land within the fiscal year in which the report is made, estimates of cost shall be included therein.

Certain petitions, etc., shall first be referred by city council to the commission.

SECTION 23. There shall be a committee on finance, consisting of the mayor, the president and one other member of the city council, to be elected by the members thereof.

Committee on finance.

SECTION 24. The school committee shall consist of the mayor, who shall be chairman, and six members elected at large. At the first annual election after the acceptance of this act the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes, shall serve for terms of three years, the two receiving the next highest number for terms of two years, and the two receiving the next highest number, for terms of one year, from the first Monday in January following, and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

School committee.

SECTION 25. The school committee shall elect a superintendent of schools, and may, subject to the civil service laws and regulations, appoint, suspend or remove at pleasure such

Superintendent of schools, etc.

subordinate officers or assistants, including janitors of school buildings, as it may deem necessary for the proper discharge of its duties and the conduct of its business; shall define their terms of service and their duties, and shall fix their compensation, subject to the provisions of chapter seven hundred and fourteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen. No member of the school committee, except the mayor, shall, during the term for which he is elected, hold any other office or position, the salary or compensation for which is payable out of the city treasury. The committee shall organize annually on the first Monday in January, and shall elect one of its members vice chairman, whose duty it shall be to preside in the absence of the mayor.

School
committeeman
to hold no
other office.

May make
repairs, etc.

SECTION 26. The school committee, in addition to the powers and duties conferred and imposed by law on school committees, shall have power to provide, when they are necessary, temporary accommodations for school purposes, to make all repairs, the expenditures for which are made from the regular appropriation for the school department, except as is otherwise provided herein, or by statute, shall have the control of all school buildings and of the grounds connected therewith, and may make all reasonable rules and regulations, not inconsistent with any laws of the commonwealth, for the management of the public schools of the city and for conducting the business of the committee.

School
building
sites.

SECTION 27. No site for a school building shall be acquired or designated, no plans for the construction or alteration of a school building shall be accepted, or work thereon begun, and no furnishings or equipment shall be purchased or installed, by the city, without first having obtained in each case the approval of the school committee signified by order.

School
committee
meetings to be
public, except.

SECTION 28. All meetings of the school committee shall be public, except that, when it is so requested by not less than four members, any designated meeting shall be private. A majority thereof shall constitute a quorum. The vote on any particular measure shall be by yea and nay, when it is so requested by not less than two members.

Vacancies.

SECTION 29. Vacancies in the school committee shall be filled until the next annual election by joint convention of the city council and school committee, presided over by the mayor, if present.

Reports to be
made by
commission on

SECTION 30. No ordinance, order, resolution or vote relative to any matter within the supervision or control of

the commission on ways and drainage as provided in section ways and drainage. twenty-two, except an order adopted under the provisions of chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Laws and sections one hundred and twenty-six and one hundred and twenty-seven of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, shall be passed until the council has received from said commission, in response to a written request of the council, a written report and recommendation, with reasons, relative to the advisability thereof, from the standpoint of the public interest, which shall be furnished not later than the regular meeting of the city council next after the expiration of ten days from the date of the receipt of said request, unless further time is allowed by vote of the city council. The record of adoption of any ordinance, order, resolution or vote relative to any such matter by the city council shall contain said report, which shall be transmitted therewith to the mayor as hereinbefore provided. If said report is adverse no vote to pass the same shall be taken within less than seven days after its receipt.

SECTION 31. Every order, ordinance, resolution or vote adopted or passed by the city council, involving the expenditure of money, shall be presented to the mayor for his approval. If he approves it, he shall sign it; if he disapproves it, he shall return it, with his objections thereto in writing, to the city council, which shall enter his objections at large on its records, and again consider it, and the same shall be deemed approved and be in force if it is not returned by the mayor, as herein provided, within ten days after it was presented to him. If the city council, notwithstanding such disapproval by the mayor, shall again pass the order, ordinance, resolution or vote by a two thirds yea and nay vote of all the members, it shall then be in force, but the vote thereon shall not be taken before ten days, nor after thirty days, from the date of its return to the city council. Orders, ordinances, etc., to be approved by the mayor.

SECTION 32. The city council shall require the city treasurer, the collector of taxes, the city auditor and any other municipal officers intrusted with the receipt, care or disbursement of money, to give bond, with such surety or sureties as it shall deem adequate, for the faithful discharge of their respective duties. Certain officers to furnish bonds.

SECTION 33. The city council may at any time request from the mayor specific information on any municipal Information from departments.

matter within its jurisdiction, and the mayor may personally, or through the head of a department or a member of a board, respond to the same, but without obligation to answer questions relating to any other matter. The mayor may at any time attend and address the city council in person or through the head of a department or a member of a board, upon any subject relating to the affairs of the city or of its inhabitants.

Emergency ordinances.

SECTION 34. No ordinance shall be passed finally on the date of its introduction except in cases of special emergency involving the health or safety of the people or affecting their property or property rights.

"Emergency measure" term defined.

No ordinance shall be regarded as an emergency measure unless the emergency is defined and declared in a preamble thereto separately voted on and adjudged so to be by the affirmative vote of two thirds of the members of the city council.

Granting of franchise, etc., how made.

No ordinance making a grant, renewal or extension, whatever its kind or nature, of any franchise or special privilege shall be passed as an emergency measure, and except as is provided in chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Laws and sections one hundred and twenty-six and one hundred and twenty-seven of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, no such grant, renewal or extension shall be made otherwise than by ordinance.

Amendment of ordinances.

SECTION 35. No ordinance or part thereof shall be amended or annulled except by another ordinance adopted in accordance with the provisions of this act.

Time required for passage.

SECTION 36. Except as is provided in section thirty-four, no ordinance, order or resolution shall be passed through all its stages of legislation at one session, nor within seven days after it is first presented to the city council.

Publication of ordinances, etc.

SECTION 37. Every proposed ordinance or loan order, except emergency measures as hereinbefore defined, shall, at least seven days before its final passage, be published once in full in at least one newspaper of the city, and in any additional manner that may be provided by ordinance. After such final passage, it shall, in the same manner as before, be published once, as amended and completed, provided that an emergency ordinance may be passed as hereinbefore provided and shall take effect upon its passage, and shall be published in the manner above specified as soon as is practicable.

In case there is a general revision of the ordinances and the same are published by the city in pamphlet form or otherwise, the newspaper publication may be dispensed with.

When newspaper publication may be dispensed with.

SECTION 38. It shall be unlawful for the mayor or any member of the city council or school committee, or for any officer or employee of the city receiving compensation from the city, directly or indirectly, to make a contract with the city, or to receive any commission, discount, bonus, gift, contribution or reward from or any share in the profits of any person or corporation making or performing such a contract, unless immediately upon learning of the existence or proposal of the contract, he shall notify in writing, as the case may be, the mayor, city council or school committee of the nature and extent of his interest therein, and shall abstain from doing any act, official or otherwise, on behalf of the city in relation thereto. In case of such interest on the part of an officer whose duty it is to sign the contract on behalf of the city, the same may be signed by any other officer of the city duly authorized thereto by the mayor, or if the mayor has such interest, by the city clerk: *provided, however,* that when a contractor with the city is a corporation or a voluntary stock association, the ownership of less than five per cent of the stock or shares actually issued shall not be considered as involving an interest in the contract within the meaning of this section, and such ownership shall not affect the validity of the contract unless the city officer or employee is also an officer or agent of the corporation or association or solicits or takes part in the making of the contract, otherwise than by signing the same in his official capacity.

Certain officials not to make or share in contracts, etc., with the city.

Proviso.

This provision shall not apply to officers who are officers or directors of banks or trust companies, chartered under the laws of the United States or of the commonwealth, in respect to dealings between the city and such banks or trust companies: *provided, however,* that not more than twenty-five per cent of the total deposits of the city shall be placed in any bank or trust company wherein a city officer is an officer or director, nor at a rate of interest less than the maximum rate of interest allowed for similar deposits of the city by any other bank or trust company, without express authority from the city council approved by the mayor.

Not to apply to certain bank officers.

Proviso.

A violation of this section shall render the contract in respect to which such violation occurs voidable at the option of the city. Any person violating the provisions of this

Penalty.

section shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Certain contracts to be open to bids, except.

SECTION 39. No contract for construction work, repairs or for the purchase of apparatus, supplies or materials, the estimated cost of which amounts to or exceeds five hundred dollars, except in cases of special emergency involving the health or safety of the people, or the safety of their property, shall be awarded unless proposals therefor shall have been invited by advertisement once a week for at least two consecutive weeks in at least one newspaper published in the city, the last publication to be at least one week before the time specified for the opening of the proposals. Such advertisements shall state the time and place where plans and specifications of the proposed work or supplies may be had, and the time and place for opening the proposals all of which shall be opened in public in answer to said advertisements, and shall reserve to the city the right to reject any or all proposals. No bill or contract shall be split or divided for the purpose of evading any provision of this act.

Split contract prohibited.

Mayor to approve certain contracts.

SECTION 40. All contracts made by any department, board or commission in which the amount involved is five hundred dollars or more, or contracts involving less than five hundred dollars when required by ordinance shall be in writing, and no such contract shall be deemed to have been made or executed until the approval of the mayor and of the department or board making the contract is affixed thereto. Any party to a contract made as aforesaid may be required to furnish a bond, with sureties satisfactory to the board or official executing the same, or secured by a deposit of money, certified check or other security, conditioned on the faithful performance of the contract, and such bond or other security shall be deposited with the city treasurer until the contract has in all respects been performed; and no such contract shall be altered except by a written agreement of the contractor, the sureties on his bond, and the officer, department or board making the contract, with the approval of the mayor affixed thereto.

Taking of land for municipal purposes.

SECTION 41. The mayor and the city council may take in fee, in the name of the city, for any municipal purpose any land within the limits of the city not already appropriated to public use. Whenever the price proposed to be paid for a lot of land for any municipal purpose is more than twenty-five per cent higher than its average assessed valuation

during the previous three years, the land shall not be purchased, but shall be taken by right of eminent domain and paid for in the manner provided for the taking of, and the payment of damages for, land taken for highways. No land shall be taken until an appropriation by loan or otherwise for the general purpose for which the land is needed shall have been made by the mayor and city council, by a two thirds vote of all its members; nor shall a price be paid in excess of the appropriation, unless a larger sum is awarded by a court of competent jurisdiction. All proceedings in the taking of land shall be under the advice of the law department, which shall keep a record thereof.

SECTION 42. The mayor, with the approval of a majority of the members of the city council, may remove any head of a department or member of a board or other officer or employee, before the expiration of his term of office, except members of the school committee. But such removal shall not take effect until such officer or employee has been given a hearing by the city council, at which he shall have the right to be represented by counsel, and seven days prior to which, he shall be furnished in writing with the reasons for his removal.

Mayor may
remove certain
officers.

Hearing.

SECTION 43. The city council shall establish by ordinance the salary or compensation of every administrative officer, not otherwise herein provided for, but after the first municipal year following the acceptance of this act no ordinance changing any such salary or compensation shall take effect until the municipal year succeeding that in which the ordinance is passed. And no ordinance increasing directly or indirectly the salary, wages or compensation of any official or employee of the city shall be valid unless the same shall be finally passed at least four calendar months next prior to the commencement of the fiscal year.

Salaries.

SECTION 44. The removal of a member of the city council elected from a ward, to another ward of the city shall not disqualify him from discharging the duties of his office for the remainder of his term.

Member of
city council
may remove
to another
ward.

SECTION 45. All official bonds, recognizances, obligations, contracts, and all other instruments entered into or executed by or to the city of Lynn before this act takes effect, and all taxes, special assessments, fines, penalties and forfeitures incurred or imposed, due or owing to the city, shall be enforced and collected, and all writs, prosecutions, actions and causes of action, except as is otherwise

Obligations,
contracts, etc.,
to continue.

provided herein, shall continue without abatement and remain unaffected by this act; and no legal act done by or in favor of the city shall be rendered invalid by the acceptance of this act.

Civil service laws not to apply to certain appointees.

SECTION 46. The civil service laws shall not apply to the appointment of the mayor's secretaries or to the stenographers, clerks, telephone operators and messengers connected with his office, and the mayor may remove such appointees without a hearing and without making a statement of the cause for their removal.

Vacancy in office of mayor.

SECTION 47. If a vacancy occurs in the office of mayor or in the city council prior to the last six months of the term in question, the city council shall order an election to fill the same for the unexpired term; and if a vacancy occurs in the office of mayor during the last six months of his term, the president of the city council shall succeed thereto for the remainder of the term. If the mayor is absent or temporarily unable from any cause to perform his duties, they shall be performed by the president of the city council, who shall for the time being be designated "acting mayor", and shall possess the powers of mayor only in matters not admitting of delay, and shall have no power to make permanent appointments. If the president is absent or unable to serve, the city council shall elect an acting mayor.

"Acting mayor."

Should an appointive officer of the city be temporarily unable for any cause to perform his duties, the council or the mayor, having the power of original appointment, may designate a temporary appointee to act until such officer shall resume his duties.

Additional boards may be established.

SECTION 48. The city council may from time to time, subject to the provisions of this act and in accordance with the general laws, establish and determine the tenure, and the powers and duties of, additional boards and other offices for municipal purposes, and may, subject to the provisions of section forty-three, fix their compensation by ordinance, and may consolidate or abolish any board or office so established.

Administrative officers to be sworn, etc.

SECTION 49. All administrative officers shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their respective duties, and certificates of their oaths shall be filed in the office of the city clerk. All administrative boards and officers shall keep a record of their official transactions, which shall be open to public inspection.

Initiative.

SECTION 50. A petition meeting the requirements hereinafter specified and requesting the city council to pass an ordinance, resolution, order or vote, except an order granted under the provisions of chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Laws and sections one hundred and twenty-six and one hundred and twenty-seven of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, or requesting the school committee to pass a resolution, order or vote, shall be termed an initiative petition, and shall be acted upon as hereinafter provided. The term "measure" as hereinafter employed shall be taken to mean "ordinance", "resolution", "order", "or vote", as used in this section.

Initiative petition.

"Measure", term defined.

SECTION 51. Signatures to initiative petitions need not all appear on one paper. All such papers pertaining to any one measure shall be fastened together and shall be filed in the office of the city clerk as one instrument, with the endorsement thereon of the names and addresses of three persons designated as filing the same. With each signature to the petition shall be stated the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number, if any.

Signatures to initiative petitions.

Within five days after the filing of the petition the registrars of voters shall ascertain by what number of registered voters the petition is signed, and what percentage that number bears to the total number of registered voters, and shall attach thereto their certificate showing the result of their examination.

Certificate of registrars of voters.

The city clerk shall forthwith transmit the said certificate with the said petition to the city council or to the school committee, as the case may be, and at the same time shall send a copy of the certificate to one or more of the persons designated on the petition as having filed the same.

City clerk's duties upon receipt of petition.

SECTION 52. If any initiative petition be signed by registered voters equal in number, except as is otherwise provided in this act, to at least forty per cent of the whole number of registered voters, the city council or the school committee, as the case may be, shall, within twenty days after the date of the said certificate of the registrars to that effect, either: —

Action by city council or school committee.

1. Pass said measure, without alteration, subject to the referendum vote provided for by this act, or,

Special election.

2. The city council shall call a special election to be held on a Tuesday fixed by it not less than thirty nor more than forty-five days after the date of the certificate hereinbefore mentioned, and shall submit the proposed measure without alteration to a vote of the registered voters of the city at such election: *provided, however*, that if any city election is otherwise to occur within ninety days after the date of said certificate the city council may, in its discretion, omit calling the special election and submit the proposed measure to the voters at such approaching election.

Proviso.

Ballot to state nature of measure.

The ballot used in voting upon any measure shall state the nature thereof in terms sufficient to disclose its substance.

When city council or school committee do not act.

SECTION 53. If an initiative petition be signed by registered voters equal in number to at least twenty-five per cent of the total number of registered voters, and said measure be not passed without alteration within twenty days by the city council or the school committee, as the case may be, as provided in the preceding section, then such proposed measure, without alteration, shall be submitted by the city council to a vote of the registered voters of the city at the next annual city election; and if under the provisions of this and the preceding section, it shall be approved by at least one third of the whole number of registered voters, and by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon such proposed measure shall become law and shall take effect thirty days after the said election.

Submission to voters.

Referendum.

Referendum petition.

SECTION 54. If within five days after the final passage of any measure, except an emergency measure, by the city council or the school committee, a notice of intention to file a referendum petition, as hereinafter provided, signed by not less than one hundred registered voters is filed with the city clerk, and if, within twenty days after the final passage of any such measure, a petition signed by registered voters of the city, equal in number to at least fifteen per cent of the total number of registered voters, including any who have signed the original petition only, be presented to the city council or to the school committee, as the case may be, protesting against such measure or any part thereof, the operation thereof shall thereupon be suspended; and the city council or the school committee, as the case may be,

shall immediately reconsider such measure or part thereof; and if such measure or part thereof be not entirely annulled, repealed or rescinded, or the part objected to eliminated by amendment, the city council shall submit the same by the method herein provided, to a vote of the qualified voters of the city, either at the next regular city election, or at a special election which may, in its discretion, be called for the purpose, and such measure or part thereof shall forthwith become null and void unless a majority of the qualified voters voting on the same at such election shall vote in favor thereof, and unless it receives the affirmative vote of at least a third of the whole number of registered voters.

The petition provided for by this section shall be termed a referendum petition. Term defined.

The procedure in respect to the referendum petition shall be the same, so far as it may be applicable, as that provided by the foregoing sections relating to initiative petitions, except that the words "measure or part thereof protested against" shall for this purpose be understood to replace the word "measure" wherever it may occur in said section, and that the word "referendum" shall be understood to replace the word "initiative" in said sections. Procedure.

SECTION 55. For the purposes of this act, the number of registered women voters shall be counted in fixing the requisite number of signatures for initiative and referendum petitions as to measures affecting the public schools, and in respect to the same they shall have the right to vote and to sign initiative and referendum petitions. But the number of such women voters shall not be counted in fixing the number of signatures necessary as to petitions relating to other than school matters. Women voters, when number shall be counted.

SECTION 56. If two or more proposed measures passed at the same election contain conflicting provisions, that one of the measures which received the highest number of affirmative votes shall take effect, and the other, to the extent of the inconsistency, shall be void. Measures with conflicting provisions.

Recall.

SECTION 57. The holder of any elective office may be removed at any time by the registered voters in accordance with the following procedure:—A petition signed by a number of such voters equal to at least twenty-five per cent of the number of registered voters participating in Recall.

the last preceding annual election, demanding the election of a successor to the person sought to be removed, shall be filed in the office of the city clerk.

Petition to give general statement of grounds of removal, etc.

The petition shall contain a general statement of the grounds upon which the removal is sought. It need not be on one paper, but may consist of several distinct papers, each containing the said demand, and substantially upon the same grounds, and all papers containing the said demand and statement, which, in any one day, shall be filed in the office of the city clerk, shall be deemed parts of the same petition. Each signer shall add to his signature his place of residence, giving the street and number, if any. One signer of every such paper shall make oath, upon his information and belief, before a notary public, or a justice of the peace, that the statements therein made are true, and that each signature to the paper is genuine.

Certificate of city clerk.

Within ten days after the filing of such a petition, the city clerk, with the assistance of the registrars of voters, shall examine the petition to ascertain the numerical sufficiency of the signers, as above defined, and shall attach to the petition his certificate, stating the result of his examination.

Supplementary signatures.

If, from the city clerk's certificate, the petition appears not to have been signed by the requisite number of voters, it may be supplemented, within ten days after the date of such certificate, by other papers, signed and sworn to as aforesaid, and all such other papers, containing a like demand and statement, and signed and sworn to as aforesaid, shall be deemed supplemental to the original petition.

New certificate from city clerk.

The city clerk shall, within ten days after such supplementation, make a like examination of the amended petition, and attach thereto a new certificate and if it appears from such new certificate that the petition is still numerically insufficient, it shall be returned to the person or persons who filed the same, without prejudice, however, to the filing of a new petition seeking a like object.

Special election to be called.

If the petition as originally filed or as supplemented, shall be certified by the city clerk to be sufficient, he shall without delay present the same to the city council which shall call the election so demanded, fix a date and make or cause to be made all arrangements for holding the same, which shall not be less than sixty, nor more than seventy, days after the date of the presentation of the petition by the city clerk. Such election shall be held and conducted, returns

thereof made and the results thereof declared in all respects as in the case of other city elections.

Any person sought to be removed may be a candidate at the said election, and, unless he requests otherwise in writing, the city clerk shall place his name on the official ballot without nomination. The person receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. If some person other than the incumbent receives the highest number of votes, the incumbent shall thereupon be deemed to be removed from office, and such person shall succeed to the office for the remainder of the term. In case a person, other than the incumbent, receiving the highest number of votes, shall fail to make oath before the city clerk or a justice of the peace, within thirty days after his election, faithfully to perform the duties of the office, the office shall be deemed vacant. If the incumbent receives the highest number of votes, he shall continue in office until the end of the term which he was serving at the time of such election, unless sooner removed therefrom by new and like proceedings. The name of no candidate other than the person sought to be removed shall be printed on the official ballots to be used at such election, unless such candidate be nominated as hereinbefore provided at a preliminary election: *provided*, that if the person sought to be removed is a candidate, the person receiving the highest number of votes at the preliminary election shall be the only other candidate for said office, except in case of a tie vote as hereinbefore provided.

Person sought to be removed may be candidate, etc.

When office is deemed to be vacant.

Names of candidates.

Proviso.

Suits, prosecutions, etc., not to be affected.

SECTION 58. The passage or acceptance of this act shall not affect any rights accruing or accrued, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding pending at the time when this act takes effect, wherein the city of Lynn is a party or in any way interested. All persons then holding office in said city shall continue to hold the same, notwithstanding the taking effect hereof, until the organization of the city government is effected, and until their successors have qualified. All laws, by-laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, general or special, relating to the city of Lynn, in force at the time of the taking effect of this act, shall, until altered, amended or repealed, continue in force in the city of Lynn, so far as the same are not inconsistent herewith.

SECTION 59. Nothing in this act shall be construed in any way to affect or impair the provisions of chapter seven

Act, how construed.

hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen and acts in amendment thereof or addition thereto relating to municipal finance, or of chapter one hundred and seventy-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, as amended by chapter two hundred and ninety of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, relating to appropriations for school purposes.

Terms defined.

SECTION 60. The words "officer", "officers", "administrative officers", "ordinance", "registered voter", as used in this act shall have the same meaning as in chapter two hundred and sixty-seven of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, as defined by section one of Part I of said chapter.

To be submitted to voters at the annual state election.

SECTION 61. This act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said city at the annual state election in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen in the form of the following question to be placed upon the official ballot: — "Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, entitled 'An Act to revise the charter of the city of Lynn' be accepted?" And if a majority of the votes cast thereon are in the affirmative, the same shall thereupon take effect, but not otherwise. Section sixty-two and so much hereof as provides for its submission to the voters of said city shall take effect upon its passage.

No other similar question to appear upon ballot.

SECTION 62. At the annual state election for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, no question relating to the acceptance or adoption of a city charter for the city of Lynn, other than as provided by section sixty-one of this act shall be placed upon the ballot to be used at said election.

Approved May 22, 1917.

Chap. 341 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF LUDLOW TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN A SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Ludlow may construct, etc., a sewerage system.

SECTION 1. The town of Ludlow is hereby authorized to lay out, construct, maintain and operate a system or systems of main drains and common sewers for a part or the whole of its territory, with such connections and other works as may be required for a system of sewage disposal; and for the purpose of providing better surface or other drainage, guarding against pollution of the water and otherwise protecting the public health, may lay, make and maintain such main drains as it deems best. For the purposes

aforesaid the town may, within its limits, deepen, widen, and clear of obstruction any brook, stream or water course, and may straighten or alter the channel or divert the water thereof, and may make and maintain sub-drains, and, with the approval of the state department of health, discharge the water into any brook, stream or water course within the town.

SECTION 2. The town shall elect by ballot, at an annual town meeting, or at a special town meeting duly called for the purpose, a board of three sewer commissioners who shall be citizens of the town, to hold office, one until the expiration of one year, one until the expiration of two years, and one until the expiration of three years from the next succeeding annual town meeting, or until their successors are elected and qualified, and thereafter at each annual town meeting the town shall elect one member of the board to serve for three years, or until his successor is elected and qualified. A selectman or a member of the board of health may be a member of the board of sewer commissioners.

Board of sewer commissioners.

SECTION 3. The board of sewer commissioners, acting in behalf of the town, shall have power to take, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, any lands, water rights, rights of way or easements in said town, public or private, necessary for accomplishing any purpose mentioned in this act, and may construct within the town main drains and sewers under or over any water course, bridge, railroad, railway, highway, boulevard, or other way, or within the location of any railroad, and may enter upon and dig up any private land, street or way or railroad location, for the purpose of laying such drains and sewers and of maintaining and repairing the same, and may perform any other act necessary or proper for the purposes of this act: *provided, however*, that the said board shall not take in fee any land of a railroad corporation, and that they shall not enter upon or construct any drain or sewer within the location of any railroad corporation except at such time and in such manner as they may agree upon with the corporation, or, in case of failure to agree, as may be approved by the public service commission.

May purchase lands, etc.

Proviso.

SECTION 4. Said board, in order to take in fee any lands, water rights, rights of way or easements, shall cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county of Hampden, a statement signed by a majority of the board containing a description thereof sufficiently specific for identification,

Description of land taken to be recorded, etc.

and declaring that the same are taken under authority of this act; and upon such recording, the title to the lands, water rights, rights of way or easements described in the statement shall vest in the town of Ludlow, which shall pay all damages therefor and all other damages sustained by any person or corporation through any action of said board under this act, but no registered land, or interest therein, shall be deemed to have been taken until the provisions of chapter one hundred and twenty-eight of the Revised Laws have been complied with. Said board at the time of such taking shall notify the owners thereof in writing, and may agree with any person or corporation upon the damages sustained by such person or corporation; otherwise the damages shall be assessed by a jury in the superior court for said county upon petition of either party, in the manner provided by law for determining damages for land taken for highways; but in case of a taking, no suit or petition shall be brought after the expiration of two years from the date of the recording of the taking as herein provided; and in all other cases no suit or petition shall be brought after the expiration of two years from the time when the cause of action accrues.

Damages, how determined.

Town may recover costs, etc.

SECTION 5. In every case of a petition for the assessment of damages or for a jury said town may, at any time, file in the office of the clerk of the court an offer to pay the petitioner a sum specified therein as damages; and if the petitioner does not accept the same within thirty days after notice of such offer, and does not finally recover a sum greater than that offered, not including interest from the date of the offer on the sum so recovered, the town shall recover costs from the date of said notice; and the petitioner shall be entitled to costs only to said date.

Payment of cost.

Proviso.

General law provisions may apply, etc.

SECTION 6. The town shall by vote determine what proportion of the cost of said system or systems of sewerage and sewage disposal the town shall pay: *provided*, that it shall pay not less than one quarter nor more than two thirds of the whole cost. In providing for the payment of the remaining portion of the cost of said system or systems the town may avail itself of any or all of the methods permitted by general laws, and at the same meeting at which it determines the proportion of the cost which is to be borne by the town, it may by vote determine by which of such methods the remaining portion of said cost shall be provided for. In case it determines that such remaining portion shall be pro-

vided for wholly or in part by assessments upon the owners of estates situated within the territory embraced by said system or systems and benefited thereby, the owners shall be assessed by the board of sewer commissioners their proportional parts, respectively, of such portion of said cost as the town shall have determined is to be provided for by assessment, but no estate shall be deemed to be benefited until a sewer is constructed into which it can be drained. For the purpose of fixing the amounts of such assessments the said board shall determine the value of the special benefit to each of said estates from the said system or systems of sewers, taking into account all the circumstances of the case; and the proportionate part to be paid by the owners of said estates, respectively, shall be based upon the amount of the special benefit to each estate, determined as aforesaid, and in no case shall exceed such special benefit, and every such owner shall, within three months after written notice of such assessment, served on him or on the occupant of his estate, or sent by mail to the last address of the owner known to the board of sewer commissioners, pay the sum so assessed to the collector of taxes of said town: *provided*, that said board shall, on the written request of any such owner made within the said three months, apportion his assessment into ten equal parts or assessments; and the board shall certify such apportionment to the assessors of the town, and one of said parts or instalments, together with the interest at six per cent per annum on all unpaid apportionments, shall be added by the assessors to the annual tax on such estate for each year next ensuing, until all the said parts have so been added, unless sooner paid as hereinafter provided; and *provided, further*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the payment at any time in one payment, notwithstanding its prior apportionment, of any balance due, but interest on such balance at the rate of six per cent per annum shall be paid to the date of such payment, and thereupon the collector of taxes shall receive the same and shall certify the payment or payments to the assessors, who shall preserve a record thereof. In case of corner lots abutting on more than one sewer street the same area shall not be assessed more than once.

Benefit to estates.

Provisos.

SECTION 7. The town, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under this act, may incur indebtedness in accordance with the provisions of

Town may borrow money.

chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen and all acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 8. The town shall at the time of authorizing any loan under the provisions of section seven provide for the payment thereof in such annual payments as will extinguish the same in accordance with the provisions of said section; and when a vote to that effect has been passed the amount required thereby, less the amount that may be appropriated therefor as provided in the following section, shall annually thereafter without further vote be assessed by the assessors of the town in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan is extinguished.

Receipts,
how applied.

SECTION 9. The receipts from sewer assessments and from payments made in lieu thereof, shall be applied to the payment of charges and expenses incident to the maintenance and operation of said system of sewerage or to the extension thereof, except that any part of such receipts may be applied to the payment of interest upon notes or bonds issued hereunder, and not otherwise provided for, or to the payment or redemption of such bonds or notes as the town shall by vote determine, and the said receipts shall be used for no other purpose. If the said receipts shall not in any year be sufficient for the purposes aforesaid the town shall raise forthwith by taxation, in the same manner in which money is raised for other town purposes, the balance required therefor.

Assessment to
constitute a
lien, etc.

SECTION 10. Any assessment levied under the provisions of section six and any charge made as aforesaid shall constitute a lien upon the estate which shall continue for two years after the certificate thereof is filed, and after the demand aforesaid is made, or, in case of apportionment, until the expiration of two years from the time when the last instalment is committed to the collector. Said assessment, together with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, with incidental costs and expenses, may be satisfied by the sale of the estate or so much thereof as will be sufficient to discharge the assessment and interest and intervening charges, if the assessment is not paid within three months after the service of said notice, or, if it has been apportioned, within three months after any portion has become due. Such sale and all proceedings connected therewith shall be conducted in the same manner as sales for the non-payment of taxes, and real estate so sold may be redeemed in the same manner

as if sold for the non-payment of taxes. Such assessments or parts thereof may be collected also by an action of contract in the name of the town of Ludlow against the owner of the estate, brought at any time within two years after the same become due.

Assessments,
how collected.

SECTION 11. Any person aggrieved by any such assessment may, at any time within three months after the service of the demand mentioned in section six of this act, apply to the superior court for said county for a jury to revise the same, but before making such application he shall give to said commissioners fourteen days' notice in writing, and shall therein specify particularly his objection to the assessment, to which specification he shall be confined in his hearing before a jury.

Appeal to
superior court,
etc.

SECTION 12. The board of sewer commissioners shall annually appoint a clerk, and may appoint a superintendent of sewers, who shall not be a member of the board, and may remove the clerk or superintendent at its pleasure, and may fix the pay of the clerk and superintendent and define their duties. The commissioners may in their discretion prescribe such annual rentals or charges for the use of said sewer system, based on the benefits derived therefrom, as they shall deem proper. The compensation of the commissioners shall be fixed by the town.

Clerk,
superintendent,
appointment,
etc.

SECTION 13. All contracts made by the board of sewer commissioners shall be made in the name of the town and shall be signed by the board, but no contract shall be made or obligation incurred by the commissioners for any purpose in excess of the amount of money appropriated by the town therefor.

Contracts, how
made, etc.

SECTION 14. Said commissioners may from time to time prescribe rules and regulations for the connection of estates and buildings with main drains and sewers, and for inspection of the materials, the construction, alteration, and use of all connections and drains entering such main drains or sewers, and may prescribe penalties not exceeding twenty dollars for each violation of any such rule or regulation. Such rules and regulations shall be published not less than once a week for three successive weeks in some newspaper published in the county of Hampden, and shall not take effect until such publication has been made.

Rules and
regulations.

SECTION 15. No act shall be done under authority of the preceding sections, except in the making of surveys and other preliminary investigations, until the plans for the said

State department
of health
to approve
plans.

system of sewerage have been approved by the state department of health. Upon application to said department for such approval the department shall give a hearing, after due notice to the public. At such hearing plans showing in detail all the work to be done in constructing said system of sewerage shall be submitted for the approval of the state department of health.

Temporary committee may carry on construction, etc., until.

SECTION 16. Until the board of sewer commissioners shall have been elected as provided in this act the town may carry on the construction of the system of sewerage by a duly authorized committee of the town, but not longer than until the annual meeting next but one after the commencement of said work of construction. The committee shall serve without pay and shall have all the powers and authority given to the board of sewer commissioners in this act or by the general laws relating to boards of sewer commissioners.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

SECTION 17. This act shall take effect upon its passage, but no expenditure shall be made and no liability incurred hereunder until it has been accepted by vote of a majority of the voters of the town voting thereon at a legal meeting called for the purpose. *Approved May 22, 1917.*

[1868, 77; 1869, 296; 1870, 22; 1881, 134; 1883, 61; 1904, 139.]

Chap.342 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE WORCESTER TRUST COMPANY TO HOLD ADDITIONAL REAL ESTATE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Worcester Trust Company may hold additional real estate.

SECTION 1. The Worcester Trust Company, incorporated as the Worcester Safe Deposit Company by chapter seventy-seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, renamed by chapter two hundred and ninety-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, and having a usual place of business in the city of Worcester, is hereby authorized, when its aggregate capital and surplus shall amount to not less than one million seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to hold real estate in the city of Worcester suitable for the transaction of its business, in value not exceeding seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. *Approved May 23, 1917.*

[1883, 149; 1886, 204; 1890, 130; 1897, 242; 1898, 222; 1907, 439; 1913, 753.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF HUDSON TO MAKE AN
ADDITIONAL WATER LOAN. *Chap. 343**Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The town of Hudson for the purpose of extending and relaying its water mains, is hereby authorized to borrow an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars, in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness, and to issue bonds or notes therefor, which shall bear on their face the words, Town of Hudson Water Loan, Act of 1917; shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the respective dates thereof, as will extinguish each loan within fifteen years from its date; and the amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by the selectmen. The town may sell the said securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

Town of Hudson may make an additional water loan.

SECTION 2. The town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one of this act, and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its water works and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid by the town, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 23, 1917.

[1917, 335. Spec.]

Chap.344 AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL STATION IN THE BOYLSTON STREET SUBWAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1916, 342 (S), § 11, amended.

Commission and officers of company to meet for agreement upon terms of contract, etc.

In case of disagreement, public service commission to make decision, etc.

Certification by public service commission to governor and council.

SECTION 1. Section eleven of chapter three hundred and forty-two of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by striking out the word "three", in the twelfth line, and inserting in place thereof the word:— five, — and by striking out the word "July", in the twenty-sixth line, and inserting in place thereof the word:— September, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 11.* The commission shall fix a time and place, within six months after the passage of this act, when it will meet the officers of the company for the purpose of agreeing upon the terms of a contract for the sole use of said station by the company under the provisions of this act, and shall endeavor to bring about an agreement as to the terms of such contract and to procure the same to be executed. If the terms of the contract are not agreed upon by the commission and the company within nine months after the passage of this act, that fact shall be certified by the commission to the public service commission. The public service commission shall, within five months thereafter, set a date for a hearing, and shall notify the city of Boston, the commission, and the company of the hearing. The public service commission, after such hearings as it deems necessary and after giving full consideration to the rights and equities of the city, the public, and the company, shall determine upon a reasonable rental and other reasonable terms for such a contract for the sole use of said station, and shall notify the company and the commission of its finding, and shall request the company and the commission, in the name of the city, to enter into such a contract upon the terms so found and determined by the public service commission.

If the company shall not accept the terms so fixed on or before the first day of September, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, the public service commission shall certify that fact to the governor and council.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 23, 1917.

[1917, 364, Spec., 368, Spec.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION
TO PROTECT THE BLUE HILLS RESERVATION FROM DAMAGE
BY INSECTS AND FROM TREE DISEASES. *Chap.345*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The metropolitan park commission is hereby authorized to expend the sum of forty-three thousand dollars from the Metropolitan Parks Maintenance Fund for the purpose of protecting and preserving the woods of Blue Hills reservation from gypsy and brown tail moths and from damage by other insects, and from tree diseases. Protection of Blue Hills reservation from damage by insects, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 23, 1917.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE BASIS OF PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF
TAXES ON REAL ESTATE HELD BY THE COMMONWEALTH
IN THE TOWN OF STERLING FOR PURPOSES OF THE METRO-
POLITAN WATER SUPPLY. *Chap.346*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Property held by the commonwealth in the town of Sterling for the purposes of the metropolitan water supply, if yielding no rent, shall not be liable to taxation therein, but the commonwealth shall annually in September pay to said town an amount equal to that which the town would receive for taxes upon the average of the assessed value of such land without buildings or other structures, for the three years last preceding the acquisition thereof, the valuation for each year being reduced by all abatements thereon; but any part of such land or buildings from which any revenue in the nature of rent is received shall be subject to taxation; and the provisions of sections eight, nine and ten of Part I of chapter four hundred and ninety of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, and amendments thereof, shall apply to the reimbursement of said town by the commonwealth on account of said property. Basis of certain payments in lieu of taxes to the town of Sterling changed.

SECTION 2. Section two of chapter four hundred and forty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby repealed. Repeal.

Approved May 23, 1917.

Chap.347 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PROVIDE
FOR THE FAMILY OF DANIEL J. BRADY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston
may provide
for the family
of Daniel J.
Brady.

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay a sum of money, not exceeding one thousand dollars, to or for the benefit of the family of Daniel J. Brady who was killed by the discharge of a bomb in the Suffolk county court house. The said sum shall be paid directly to his dependents, or to a guardian appointed for the purpose.

To be sub-
mitted to
city council,
etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, prior to the thirty-first day of December, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Approved May 23, 1917.

[Accepted May 31, 1917.]

Chap.348 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR DREDGING IN
BOSTON HARBOR.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation,
dredging in
Boston harbor.

SECTION 1. The sum of one hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the principal of the Harbor Compensation Fund, so-called, for dredging in Boston harbor as said harbor is defined in section four of chapter seven hundred and forty-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven. In selecting the places for dredging under authority hereof, the general advantage of the proposed work and the local, municipal or other contributions for the purpose shall duly be considered, and authority is hereby given to a city or town to raise money by taxation, to make appropriations of money, or to assume liability for damages for improvements proposed, in the manner provided by section three of chapter four hundred and eighty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine. The expenditures hereby authorized shall be under the direction and subject to the approval of the commission on waterways and public lands.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 24, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD TO RE- *Chap.349*
 FUND CERTAIN INDEBTEDNESS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Middlefield, for the purpose of refunding fifteen hundred dollars of indebtedness represented by revenue notes, is hereby authorized to incur indebtedness to that amount and to issue notes of the town therefor. Such notes shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the date of the note first issued, as will extinguish the whole loan within five years after the said date, and the amount of such annual payments in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal payable in any subsequent year. The said notes shall bear on their face the words, Middlefield Refunding Loan, Act of 1917, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum payable semi-annually. The amount required to pay the interest and the principal maturing each year shall be raised by taxation, and shall, without further action by the town, be assessed annually by the assessors in the same manner as other taxes until the whole debt is extinguished.

Town of Middlefield may refund certain indebtedness.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 24, 1917.

[1912, 699.]

AN ACT RELATING TO QUANNAPOWITT PARKWAY.

Chap.350

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The time within which the metropolitan park commission may expend the amount provided by chapter six hundred and ninety-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve, for a parkway or boulevard around Lake Quannapowitt in the town of Wakefield, is hereby extended to include the year nineteen hundred and twenty.

Time extended for building parkway around Lake Quannapowitt in Wakefield.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 24, 1917.

Chap.351 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT BY THE COMMISSION ON WATERWAYS AND PUBLIC LANDS OF THE COMMONWEALTH'S LANDS AND FLATS AT SOUTH BOSTON AND EAST BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriation, development of commonwealth's lands, etc., at South Boston and East Boston.

SECTION 1. The sum of one hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the receipts from sales of any of the commonwealth's lands and flats at South Boston and East Boston by the commission on waterways and public lands, subject to the approval of the governor and council, for the purpose of enforcing and executing the provisions and requirements of existing laws relating to the development and improvement of the said lands and flats to be expended under the direction and with the approval of the commission on waterways and public lands.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 24, 1917.

[Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, 1859, 202; 1861, 4; 1862, 192; 1863, 36; 1864, 252, 284; 1865, 184; 1868, 2, 309, 335; 1869, 397; 1870, 324; 1871, 132; 1873, 216; 1876, 106; 1879, 19, 111; 1880, 146, 159; 1881, 152; 1882, 88; 1885, 172; 1886, 24, 229; 1887, 413; 1892, 374; 1893, 323; 1894, 517; 1898, 260; 1901, 280; (name changed to Boston and Northern Street Railway Company, July 23, 1901); 1904, 256; 1905, 254; 1906, 217, 279; 1907, 461; 1910, 591; 1911, 581, 631; (name changed to Bay State Street Railway Company, August 8, 1911); 1912, 492, 640, 644; 1913, 778; 1916, 264, Spec.; 1917, 335, Spec.; — Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation, 1916, 292, Spec.]

Chap.352 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BAY STATE STREET RAILWAY COMPANY TO SELL ELECTRICITY TO THE FORE RIVER SHIPBUILDING CORPORATION DURING THE PERFORMANCE OF EXISTING CONTRACTS FOR NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Bay State Street Railway Company may sell electricity to Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation.

SECTION 1. The Bay State Street Railway Company is hereby authorized to sell any part of the electricity generated at its power plant in the city of Quincy which is not needed in the operation of its cars to the Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation during the performance by that corporation of any contracts which it has at the date of the passage of this act with the government of the United States for the building of vessels for the navy.

Construction of transmission line.

SECTION 2. The Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation may, subject to the provisions of sections fifty-two to fifty-five inclusive, of chapter twenty-five and of chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Laws, and amendments thereof, construct a line for the sole purpose of trans-

mitting to its shipyards the electricity purchased of the Bay State Street Railway Company under authority hereof.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 24, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF PALMER TO APPROPRIATE MONEY TOWARD THE COST OF A STREET RAILWAY BRIDGE OVER WARE RIVER. Chap.353

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Palmer is hereby authorized to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars and pay the same to the Springfield Street Railway Company as a contribution toward the cost of a bridge to be constructed by said railway company for its exclusive use across Ware river in said town near the Dutton bridge, so-called.

Town of Palmer may appropriate money toward cost of certain street railway bridge.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 24, 1917.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR BAND CONCERTS IN PARKS AND ON OTHER LANDS UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION. Chap.354

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. A sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be provided for by assessments upon the cities and towns comprising what is known as the metropolitan park district, to enable the metropolitan park commission to provide band concerts in such parks and other places under its control, and at such times as it may determine, during the present fiscal year.

Appropriation, band concerts in certain parks, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 24, 1917.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE TO RETIRE AND PENSION JAMES E. ROSS. Chap.355

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Cambridge is hereby authorized to retire James E. Ross, an employee of the street department, incapacitated by reason of injuries received while in

City of Cambridge may pension James E. Ross.

the discharge of his duties, and to pay him an annual pension not exceeding four hundred and fifty dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor and city council of said city: *provided*, that such acceptance occurs on or before December thirty-first in the current year. *Approved May 24, 1917.*

[Accepted June 7, 1917.]

Chap.356 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF MALDEN TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO THE WIDOW OF WILLIAM E. DUNN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Malden may pay an annuity to the widow of William E. Dunn.

SECTION 1. The city of Malden is hereby authorized to pay an annuity not exceeding three hundred dollars, for the term of five years, to the widow of the late William E. Dunn, a faithful employee of the city.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city with the approval of the mayor. *Approved May 24, 1917.*

Chap.357 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO THE LEGAL GUARDIAN OF CLARE L. MCCARTHY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Boston may pay a sum of money to the legal guardian of Clare L. McCarthy.

SECTION 1. The city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor, is hereby authorized to pay to the legal guardian of Clare L. McCarthy of Boston a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars as compensation for injuries sustained by the said Clare L. McCarthy while a pupil in the Charles C. Perkins school on St. Botolph street, by tripping over an iron left protruding above the surface of the school yard after a gate connected therewith had been removed.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, that such acceptance and approval occur on or before December thirty-first in the current year.

Proviso.

Approved May 24, 1917.

[Accepted July 11, 1917.]

[1892, 126.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CELLAR GRADES IN THE CITY OF REVERE. *Chap. 358*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two is hereby amended by striking out section one and inserting in place thereof the following:— *Section 1.* The city council of the city of Revere, with the approval of the mayor, shall establish in the said city a cellar grade of not less than twelve feet above the Boston city base, and after the grade is established no person shall construct in said city any cellar or basement cellar of any building below that grade, or use or keep any cellar or basement cellar so constructed: *provided*, that the mayor may, by license subject to revocation at any time, authorize cellars to be constructed or used in buildings used exclusively for storage or business purposes so much below the said grade as he shall designate in each license; *provided*, that such cellars shall be waterproof.

1892, 126, § 1, amended.

City council to establish cellar grades in Revere.

Provisos.

SECTION 2. Sections two and three of the said chapter one hundred and twenty-six shall continue in force in the city of Revere except that the powers and duties conferred and imposed thereby upon the selectmen of the town of Revere shall be exercised and performed by the mayor of the city of Revere, and the powers thereby granted to the town treasurer of the town of Revere shall be exercised by the city treasurer of the city of Revere.

Powers and duties of certain town officers transferred to certain city officials.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Revere with the approval of the mayor.

To be submitted to city council, etc.

Approved May 24, 1917.

[1915, 368, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PAYMENT OF THE COST OF RE-CONSTRUCTING A BRIDGE OVER CHARLES RIVER BETWEEN THE CITY OF NEWTON AND THE TOWN OF WESTON. *Chap. 359*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section three of chapter three hundred and sixty-eight of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen is hereby amended by striking out the word "ninety-one", in the sixth line, and inserting in place thereof the word:— ninety-nine, — so as to read as follows:—

1915, 368 (S), § 3, amended.

Payment of cost of reconstructing a certain bridge between Newton and Weston.

Section 3. The annual serial bonds and interest requirements shall be assessed upon and paid by the following parties: Fifty per cent by the cities and towns of the metropolitan parks district, in the manner set forth in chapter four hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine; twenty-five per cent by the city of Newton; ten per cent by the town of Weston; and fifteen per cent by the county of Middlesex. The amounts due from the cities and towns of the metropolitan parks district, the city of Newton and the town of Weston shall be included in the sum charged to each of said cities and towns in the apportionment and assessment of its state tax, and the amounts due from the county of Middlesex shall be assessed and payable on November fifteenth of each year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[1904, 309.]

Chap.360 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF LEOMINSTER TO BORROW MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING ITS SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Leominster may borrow money to complete its sewerage system.

SECTION 1. The city of Leominster, for the purpose of constructing a sewerage system in accordance with the provisions of chapter three hundred and nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and four, is hereby authorized to borrow in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, in addition to the amount authorized by said chapter, and to issue bonds or notes of the city therefor. Such bonds or notes shall be denominated on their face, Leominster Sewerage Loan, Act of 1917; shall be signed by the treasurer of the city and countersigned by the mayor; shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum payable semi-annually; shall be payable by such annual payments beginning not more than one year after the date thereof as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date, and the amount of the annual payment on the principal of any loan in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The city may from time to time sell the

Leominster Sewerage Loan, Act of 1917.

said securities, at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value, and the proceeds, except premiums, shall be used only for the purposes herein specified.

SECTION 2. The city shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof by such annual payments as will extinguish the same in accordance with the provisions of section one of this act; and when a vote to that effect has been passed, the amount required thereby, less the amount that may be appropriated from receipts from sewer assessments and payments in lieu thereof, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the city each year, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

Payment of loan.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR DEFICIENCIES IN APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES AUTHORIZED IN PREVIOUS YEARS.

Chap. 361

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for certain expenses in excess of the appropriations made therefor in previous years, to wit: —

Appropriations, deficiencies in appropriations for previous years.

For compensating public employees for injuries, the sum of one hundred twenty-four dollars.

Compensating public employees for injuries.

For militia transportation, the sum of sixty dollars and ten cents.

Militia transportation.

For maintenance of armories of the first class, the sum of four hundred seventy-nine dollars and seventy-five cents.

Maintenance of certain armories.

For expenses of the state normal school at North Adams, the sum of ninety-six dollars and sixty-seven cents.

State normal school at North Adams.

For travelling expenses of members of the board, officers, inspectors and investigators of the state board of labor and industries, a sum not exceeding seven hundred seventy-three dollars and eighty-seven cents.

Travelling expenses, state board of labor and industries.

For the adjutant general's department, for repairs to uniforms, a sum not exceeding sixty-six dollars.

Repair to uniforms.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[Essex Company, 1845, 163; 1846, 119; 1848, 295; 1856, 289; 1866, 238; 1886, 25; 1889, 94; 1892, 65.]

Chap.362 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REQUIRE THE CITY OF LAWRENCE TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN BRIDGES OVER THE NORTH AND SOUTH CANALS OF THE ESSEX COMPANY IN SAID CITY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Lawrence to build bridges over the North and South canals of the Essex Company.

SECTION 1. The city of Lawrence is hereby authorized and required to construct and hereafter maintain and keep in good repair a sufficient bridge over the north canal of the Essex Company at the northerly terminus of the central bridge, so-called, in said city, where said canal crosses said terminus at Amesbury street, and a sufficient bridge over the south canal of the Essex Company at the southerly terminus of the central bridge, so-called, in said city, where said canal crosses said terminus between Merrimack and South Canal streets; and the said Essex Company is hereby relieved and discharged from all duty and liability imposed upon said company by the fourth section of chapter one hundred and sixty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and forty-five or any act in addition thereto, to make and maintain such bridges.

Certain agreement of indenture ratified.

SECTION 2. The agreement of indenture executed by and between the said city of Lawrence and the said Essex Company, on the thirtieth day of April in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, providing for the construction and maintenance of such bridges by the said city of Lawrence, and the discharge of the said Essex Company from all further duty or liability in respect thereto, is hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 25, 1917.

Chap.363 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND PROTECTION OF THE SHORE OF QUINCY BAY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Commission on waterways and public land to ascertain cost of building breakwater on shore of Quincy bay.

SECTION 1. The commission on waterways and public lands is hereby authorized and directed to make such surveys, examinations and estimates as it may deem necessary for the purpose of determining the cost of building a breakwater, wall or other structure on the shore of Quincy bay bordering on Manet avenue in the city of Quincy, extending from a point about six hundred feet easterly of Newton

street westerly to a point about six hundred feet westerly of said street, for the protection of the shore from encroachment or damage by the sea.

SECTION 2. If, in the judgment of the commission, the probable benefits would be commensurate with the cost, said commission is hereby authorized to build a breakwater, wall or other structure as aforesaid, and the commission may expend in carrying out the provisions of this act a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, of which sum fifteen thousand dollars shall be paid from the ordinary revenue of the commonwealth, and five thousand dollars shall be appropriated and paid into the treasury of the commonwealth by the city of Quincy; and the city of Quincy is hereby authorized to raise the said amount by taxation or otherwise, and pay the same into the treasury of the commonwealth. No expenditures, except for the surveys, examinations and estimates of cost provided for in section one of this act, shall be made for the work hereby authorized until the city of Quincy has made a sufficient appropriation for the filling and grading necessary for the completion and protection of said structure, as may be directed by said commission, in addition to the sums hereby appropriated, nor until satisfactory evidence has been furnished to the auditor of the commonwealth that the city of Quincy has complied with all the requirements of this act.

May expend certain sum to build breakwater, etc.

No expenditures, etc., until Quincy makes appropriation.

SECTION 3. Said commission shall not begin the construction of any breakwater, wall or structure authorized by this act until the owners of the shore where the same is to be situated shall release to the commonwealth all claims for damages which they might have on account of the said work.

Releases to the commonwealth to be made before construction, etc.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[1907, 497; 1913, 777; 1917, 344, Spec.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SUBWAY TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN THE CITIES OF EVERETT AND MALDEN. Chap. 364

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section twenty-five of chapter seven hundred and seventy-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen is hereby amended by inserting after the word "shall", in the sixth line, the words: — so far as shall be consistent with the provisions of section twenty-five (A), —

1913, 777, § 25, amended.

Limit of time
for con-
struction, etc.

so as to read as follows: — *Section 25.* Unless the company shall, within five years after the acceptance of this act, begin the construction of the subway which the company is authorized to construct by Part II of this act, the location of said company for said subway and all rights of said company to construct, maintain and operate such subway shall, so far as shall be consistent with the provisions of section twenty-five (A), cease and determine; and if the company undertakes the construction of said subway it shall complete the same within two years after the expiration of said five-year period: *provided*, that if the construction of the subway authorized by Part II of this act is delayed by litigation, unforeseen casualty or other cause, the company may apply to the board for an extension of time therefor, and the board, upon notice to the cities, and upon hearing and proof that such litigation was not collusive, or that such casualty or other cause was not due to the fault of the company, may allow further time for such construction.

Proviso.

1913, 777 (II)
new section,
§ 25 (A).

Underground
station in
Everett.

SECTION 2. Said chapter seven hundred and seventy-seven is hereby further amended by adding at the end of Part II the following new section, to be numbered twenty-five (A) — *Section 25 (A).* For the purpose of providing terminal facilities for the operation of the elevated railway to be constructed under the provisions of chapter four hundred and ninety-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven, the company shall construct such part of the subway and appurtenances described in section five, together with connections for surface car lines, which shall also constitute appurtenances, as may be necessary to provide an underground station in the vicinity of Broadway and Main street in the city of Everett, north of the Revere beach boulevard, and shall not, by reason of such construction, be under obligation to construct the remainder of said subway. The company shall begin the construction of the said part of the subway and appurtenances on or before the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and shall complete the construction of the same within eighteen months thereafter: *provided*, that if the construction of said part of the subway and appurtenances is delayed by litigation, unforeseen casualty or other cause, or if the company is unable to obtain capital on reasonable terms, the company may apply to the public service commission for an extension of time therefor, and the commission, upon notice to the cities, and upon hearing and proof that such litigation

Construction
to begin before
December 31,
1918.

Proviso.

was not collusive, or that such casualty or other cause was not due to the fault of the company, may allow further time for such construction.

Upon the construction of the said underground station the company may discontinue and remove any temporary station which may have been constructed upon the aforesaid elevated railway south of the eastern division of the Boston and Maine railroad pending the construction of the station hereby authorized.

Temporary station may be removed.

The cost of any such station so discontinued or removed shall, for all purposes, be considered a part of the cost of the company's elevated railway, and both the cost and value of the said elevated railway, for any purpose for which such cost or value may be material, shall be deemed to be the same as if said station had not been discontinued or removed.

Cost of removal, how considered.

The company may also construct under the provisions of this act a subway connection between any terminal constructed hereunder and any shops or yards hereafter constructed upon land of said company near or adjoining the right of way of the eastern division of the Boston and Maine railroad, together with all appurtenances thereto, and may construct such subway in or under private lands or public streets, ways or places, and under the right of way of the Boston and Maine railroad, upon such route and in such manner as the public service commission may approve.

Construction of subway connection with shops, etc.

SECTION 3. Section twenty-six of said chapter seven hundred and seventy-seven is hereby amended by inserting after the word "act", in the third line, the words: — beyond the extent provided for in section twenty-five (A), and by inserting before the word "subway", in the sixth line, the words: — remainder of the, — so as to read as follows:

1913, 777 (III), § 26, amended.

— *Section 26.* If the company does not, within five years after the date of acceptance of this act, begin to construct the subway authorized by Part II of this act, beyond the extent provided for in section twenty-five (A), the cities of Everett and Malden, acting through the Boston transit commission, hereinafter called "the commission", as herein provided, may construct the remainder of the subway as specified in section five. The commission shall begin the construction of the said subway when, after the expiration of said five-year period without the beginning of the construction of said subway by the company, the commission shall be requested in writing by the mayor and aldermen of each of said cities to undertake the construction of said subway.

Subway may be constructed by Boston transit commission upon request.

Repeal.

SECTION 4. Chapter three hundred and thirty-one of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby repealed.

Time of taking effect.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Everett, and by the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Malden, and by the company by vote of its board of directors, and return thereof made to the secretary of the commonwealth within two months after its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[Everett, accepted June 12, 1917; Malden, accepted June 9, 1917; Boston Elevated Ry. Co., accepted June 15, 1917.]

Chap.365 AN ACT TO RATIFY AND CONFIRM CERTAIN ACTS OF THE TOWN OF FRAMINGHAM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Certain acts of the town of Framingham ratified, etc.

SECTION 1. Any and all takings of property by right of eminent domain made by the town of Framingham since the first day of January, in the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, are hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid, notwithstanding any informality in the procedure attending said takings.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[1917, 309, Spec.]

Chap.366 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ISSUE OF PREFERRED STOCK BY THE NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN AND HARTFORD RAILROAD COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company may issue preferred stock.

SECTION 1. The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company is hereby authorized, for the purpose of paying its floating indebtedness, to issue, subject to the approval of the public service commission and to the provisions of chapter two hundred and ninety-nine of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, shares of preferred stock, not exceeding four hundred and fifty thousand in number, of the par value of one hundred dollars each, upon which the company may pay dividends, from its net income, not exceeding seven per cent per annum.

Stockholders may provide for retirement or exchange for common stock, etc.

SECTION 2. Said preferred stock may be issued under such provisions for future retirement or exchange for common stock as may be authorized by a vote of stockholders, holding

not less than two thirds of the stock of the said company, and approved by the public service commission.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 25, 1917.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY A PENSION TO THE WIDOW OF LOUIS A. ZELINGER. *Chap.367*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to pay a pension not exceeding five hundred dollars annually, to the widow of Louis A. Zelinger, late janitor of the Suffolk county court house, who was killed by the discharge of a bomb in the court house while he was in the performance of his duties.

City of Boston may pension widow of Louis A. Zelinger.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor: *provided*, that such acceptance and approval occur prior to December thirty-first in the current year.

To be submitted to the city council, etc. Proviso.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[Accepted May 31, 1917.]

[1917, 344, Spec.]

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE BOSTON TRANSIT COMMISSION. *Chap.368*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The term of office of the members of the Boston transit commission is hereby extended for a period of one year from the first day of July in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, subject to the provisions of chapter five hundred and forty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four, and acts in amendment thereof, and during the said period the commission shall continue to exercise the powers and duties specified in said chapter five hundred and forty-eight and acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, and in such other acts as specifically confer or impose additional powers and duties on said commission.

Boston transit commission, term of office extended.

SECTION 2. No further extension of time for this commission shall be made after the first day of July in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Commission to terminate July 1, 1918.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved May 25, 1917.

[1917, 373, Spec.]

Chap.369 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR EXPENSES INCIDENT TO THE MOBILIZATION OF TROOPS IN CAMPS WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Mobilization of troops, etc., appropriations. SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the following purposes:

Health protection, etc. For the protection of health, and the prevention of the spread of disease caused by the mobilization of troops in military camps, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, to be expended by the commissioner of health, with the approval of the governor and council.

Temporary detectives, etc. For the services and expenses of temporary detectives and police to be appointed by the governor and to act in conjunction with agents of the United States government in this commonwealth in preventing the evils incident to the mobilization of troops in military camps, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, to be expended by the governor with the advice and consent of the council.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

Chap.370 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, public service commission. SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the salaries and expenses of the public service commission for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:—

Commissioners, salaries. For the salaries of the commissioners, forty thousand five hundred dollars.

Secretaries. For the salaries of the secretaries, a sum not exceeding ten thousand five hundred dollars.

Accounting department. For salaries and expenses in the accounting department, a sum not exceeding eighty-five hundred dollars.

Inspection department. For salaries and expenses in the inspection department, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance and messenger service, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand two hundred dollars. Clerical assistance, etc.

For salaries and expenses of engineers, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand nine hundred dollars. Engineers.

For salaries and expenses in the tariff department, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars. Tariff department.

For expenses of the telephone department, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars. Telephone department.

For salaries and expenses of experts, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars. Experts.

For stenographic reports of hearings, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars. Stenographic reports.

For rent and care of office, a sum not exceeding thirteen thousand five hundred dollars. Office rent, etc.

For printing and binding the annual reports, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars. Annual reports.

For stationery, books, maps, office supplies and contingent expenses, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars. Stationery, books, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[1887, 152; 1906, 424.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF AYER TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL WATER LOAN. *Chap. 371*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Ayer for the purpose of increasing its water supply and extending and relaying its water mains, is hereby authorized to borrow an amount not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars in excess of the statutory limit of indebtedness, and to issue from time to time bonds or notes therefor, which shall bear on their face the words, Town of Ayer Water Loan, Act of 1917; shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after the respective dates thereof, as will extinguish each loan within thirty years from its date; and the amount of such annual payment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of the loan payable in any subsequent year. Each authorized issue of bonds or notes shall constitute a separate loan. The said bonds or notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by the water commissioners. The town may sell the said securities at

Town of Ayer may increase its water supply, etc.

Town of Ayer Water Loan, Act of 1917.

public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, but not for less than their par value.

Payment of
loan.

SECTION 2. The town shall, at the time of authorizing said loan or loans, provide for the payment thereof in accordance with section one of this act, and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the annual expense of operating its water works and the interest as it accrues on the bonds or notes issued as aforesaid, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this act, shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of the town annually thereafter, in the same manner as other taxes, until the debt incurred by said loan or loans is extinguished.

May purchase
water from the
Groton Water
Company, etc.

SECTION 3. The town of Ayer is hereby authorized to purchase water from the Groton Water Company upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between said town and said company, and the said company is hereby authorized to sell water to said town under such terms and conditions. The said town is also authorized to sell water to be used in the towns of Harvard and Shirley on premises used by the United States of America for military purposes.

Ayer may sell
water to certain
towns, etc.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

Chap. 372 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE OFFICES OF PARK AND CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS, ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, TREE WARDEN AND LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTHS IN THE TOWN OF WAKEFIELD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Park and
Cemetery Com-
missioners, in
the town of
Wakefield,
established.

SECTION 1. The offices of park commissioner and of cemetery commissioners in the town of Wakefield shall hereafter be combined in a board of three commissioners to be known as park and cemetery commissioners. The said commissioners shall be elected for terms of one year at the annual town meeting, and shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the town. The powers and duties now pertaining to the park commissioner and to the cemetery commissioners shall hereafter pertain to the park and cemetery commissioners hereby established. All laws now or hereafter in force relating to park and cemetery commis-

Powers and
duties.

sioners and not inconsistent with this act shall apply to the said board.

SECTION 2. There is hereby established in the town of Wakefield the office of chief engineer of the fire department, which shall be filled by appointment by the selectmen. The chief engineer shall have the powers and perform the duties now or hereafter conferred or imposed by law upon engineers of fire departments in towns, and all laws relating to engineers of fire departments of towns so far as they are not inconsistent with this act, shall apply to the office of chief engineer hereby established. Said chief engineer shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the town.

Chief engineer of the fire department, appointment, etc.

SECTION 3. The offices of tree warden and local moth superintendent of the town of Wakefield are hereby combined, and the powers and duties now pertaining to the said offices shall hereafter be exercised and performed by an officer to be known as local moth superintendent, who shall be appointed by the selectmen annually in the month of January, subject to the approval of the state forester, in accordance with the provisions of chapter three hundred and eighty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and five, and acts in amendment thereof. He shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the town. All laws now or hereafter in force relating to tree wardens and local moth superintendents, and not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall apply to the office of local moth superintendent hereby established.

Local moth superintendent, appointment, etc.

SECTION 4. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the town of Wakefield at the next town meeting, annual or special, and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters present and voting thereon. If the act is so accepted, the elections herein provided to be made by the town may be made at the meeting at which the act is accepted if the town so votes; if the town does not so vote, they shall be made at the next ensuing annual town meeting.

To be submitted to the voters, etc.

SECTION 5. So much of any act, general or special as is inconsistent herewith, shall not apply to the provisions of this act.

Certain provisions of law not to apply, etc.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[1894, 548; 1897, 500; 1898, 467; 1899, 398; 1900, 258, 452; 1901, 90; 1902, 114, 388, 534; 1904, 391; 1905, 466; 1906, 520; 1907, 277, 497, 519, 530, 573; 1908, 388, 521, 551, 635; 1909, 383; 1910, 351, 579, 630; 1911, 609, 740, 741; 1912, 485, 640, 644; 1913, 775, 777, 810; 1914, 794; 1915, 130, Spec., 184, Spec., 253, Spec., 376, Spec.; 1916, 342, Spec.]

Chap.373 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PROPERTY, SERVICE AND CAPITALIZATION OF THE BOSTON ELEVATED RAILWAY COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

PART I.

AUTHORIZING THE RETURN TO THE BOSTON ELEVATED RAILWAY COMPANY OF THE DEPOSIT MADE BY IT TO THE COMMONWEALTH.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, need not maintain deposits with treasurer and receiver general, etc.

SECTION 1. The Boston Elevated Railway Company, hereinafter called the "company", shall not be required hereafter to maintain deposits with the treasurer and receiver general, as provided by section thirteen of chapter five hundred and forty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four and by section thirteen of chapter five hundred of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and, within ten days after this act takes effect, the treasurer and receiver general shall return to the company the securities or cash by it deposited and now held by him under the provisions of said acts.

Proceeds of securities returned, how used.

SECTION 2. The cash or proceeds of the securities so returned shall be used for no other than those capital purposes for which the company may lawfully issue stock or bonds, to such extent as the public service commission, after a public hearing, shall approve as reasonably necessary for any such purpose or purposes.

PART II.

ENABLING THE BOSTON ELEVATED RAILWAY COMPANY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL CARS AND OTHERWISE IMPROVE ITS SERVICE.

May issue bonds, etc.

SECTION 3. In addition to the bonds, coupon notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable at periods of more than twelve months after the date thereof which the company may lawfully issue for capital purposes, it may, in the manner and to such extent as the public service commission, after a public hearing, may approve as consistent with the public interest, issue bonds or coupon notes to an amount not exceeding twenty per cent of the cash paid in by its

stockholders, to provide means for, or to fund the reasonable cost of, new and improved cars for the surface lines operated by it, to replace existing equipment and other property, to pay the reasonable cost of replacement or reconstruction of any other existing property owned, leased or operated by it, or to provide means for the payment of the rental of the Dorchester tunnel for the first three years after its opening for use. Such provision shall be made for the retirement of said securities out of earnings as the public service commission shall approve: *provided, however*, that in the case of bonds or coupon notes issued to provide means for, or to fund the reasonable cost of, replacement or reconstruction of existing property, the period during which they shall so be retired shall not exceed fifteen years. Securities issued under the authority of this section shall not be counted in determining the amount of bonds, coupon notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable at periods of more than twelve months after the date thereof which the company may be authorized to issue under other provisions of law.

Retirement of securities out of earnings, etc.
Proviso.

Securities issued, how counted.

SECTION 4. The public service commission is hereby directed to make such changes as may be necessary in the existing classification of accounts prescribed for the company and street railway companies generally, so that if any such company shall incur any loss in connection with the sale or destruction of property no longer required for its corporate purposes, whether the same is owned by it or by any company which it leases or operates, it may, with the approval of said commission, instead of charging the entire amount of such loss against its earnings or surplus for the year in which such loss may accrue, distribute the same over such period, not exceeding ten years, as said commission shall designate.

Changes in existing classification of accounts, etc., and for street railway companies generally.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of determining whether, under the fifth clause of section sixty-eight of chapter five hundred and ninety of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight and the amendments thereof, the company has in any year earned and paid dividends at the rate of five per cent on its outstanding capital stock without an impairment of assets or capital, the expenditures which may have been provided for in the manner authorized by section three hereof shall not be deemed to be a charge for the full amount thereof, on the earnings of the company for the year in which they are made, but shall be charged against the earnings of any particular year only to the extent that the

Expenditures, how charged, etc.

company is required out of earnings in that year to provide for the ultimate payment of bonds or coupon notes issued under the authority of said section three, and in determining whether there has been any impairment of assets or capital, expenditures made from the proceeds of bonds or coupon notes issued under said section three, or losses specified in section four hereof, shall be deemed an asset to the extent that provision is made for the payment of such bonds or coupon notes or the distribution of such losses out of earnings or against the surplus account of succeeding years.

PART III.

AUTHORIZING THE BOSTON ELEVATED RAILWAY COMPANY TO ESTABLISH INCLOSED AREAS, STATIONS OR SHELTERS FOR THE CONVENIENT TRANSFERS OF PASSENGERS.

May establish inclosed areas for transfer of passengers, etc.

SECTION 6. The company may, to the extent and in the manner which the public service commission, after notice and a public hearing, may approve, establish in and upon public and private ways and lands in connection with any lines of railway, or elevated railway station or terminal now or hereafter owned, leased or operated by it, suitable inclosed areas, stations or shelters with approaches, tracks, poles, wires and other structures and connections with existing stations, terminals, tracks and wires, all hereinafter called appurtenances, for the convenient transfer of passengers between surface cars and elevated railway stations or trains, or between surface cars; but the work of construction thereof shall not be begun before plans shall have been approved by said commission showing the general form and method of construction, the extent to which any public or private way or land is to be occupied, and the extent to which public ways or places are to be laid out, widened, altered or discontinued. Any plan so approved may be altered by a new plan approved in like manner.

Plans to be approved by commission.

Company may use public ways, etc.

SECTION 7. For the purposes of the preceding section the company may, but only with the approval of the public service commission as aforesaid, use public ways without paying compensation therefor, and may lease, purchase or otherwise take lands in fee or easements or other rights in land outside the limits of public ways or parks in the same manner in which lands may be leased, purchased or taken for the construction of an elevated railway to Everett under the provisions of chapter four hundred and ninety-seven of

the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven. Any taking under this act, in fee or otherwise, may be made whether the lands taken or affected are held by title derived under eminent domain or otherwise.

Eminent domain title not to affect taking land.

In connection with the establishment of any such area, station or shelter or its appurtenances or to increase the convenience of public ways near the same, the public service commission, in the name of the commonwealth and in accordance with any plan approved as above provided, may lay out, widen, alter or discontinue public ways or places or change the grade thereof, by causing to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county in which the way or place is situated a description of the act of the commission in relation thereto, as certain as is required in a common conveyance of land, signed by a majority of the commission. The work of any such laying out, widening, alteration, discontinuance or change of grade shall be performed by the company.

Public ways may be laid out, altered, e.c.

Taking to be recorded, etc.

The company shall pay all damages occasioned by any such taking or by the construction, except upon or in public ways, of any such area, station or shelter or its appurtenances, or by the laying out, alteration, widening or discontinuance of any public way or place or change of the grade thereof by the public service commission under authority of this act, and the same may be recovered upon the petition of any party in interest against the company in the manner provided for the recovery of damages for the taking of land under the provisions of said chapter four hundred and ninety-seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven.

Damages, how paid.

Recovery of damages.

SECTION 8. With the approval of the public service commission, the company may remove any tracks, conduits, pipes, wires, poles or other property located in public ways or places which it may deem to interfere with the construction or operation of any such area, station or shelter or its appurtenances, and shall relocate and reconstruct the same in new locations to be granted by the commission so far as the commission may deem such relocation practicable. No such discontinuance, removal or reconstruction shall entitle the owner of the property thus affected to recover any damages or compensation therefor. Any gas or electric lighting company shall shut off the gas or current from any pipes or wires affected by any action done hereunder, when and so far as may be necessary to avoid public danger.

May remove tracks, conduits, etc.

Owner not entitled to damages.

Locations for
tracks, poles,
etc.

The public service commission may grant such locations for tracks, poles, wires and incidental railway structures in or upon public ways or lands as may be required for the purposes of this act, and may alter or revoke the same.

Transfer of
rights.

The rights of the company in any such area, station or shelter or its appurtenances may be transferred by it to the West End Street Railway Company.

To indemnify
cities and
towns.

The company shall indemnify the cities or towns in which such areas, stations or shelters or their appurtenances are established against all liability for damages arising out of the work authorized by this act upon notice of any claim therefor and opportunity to defend against the same.

Occupation
of Boston
Common.

Nothing in this act contained shall be construed to authorize the occupation of any part of Boston Common.

May issue
necessary
stock, etc.

SECTION 9. The company may, from time to time, in the manner and subject to the requirements prescribed by law, issue and dispose of such amounts of its stock or bonds, in addition to amounts heretofore authorized, as may be necessary to meet and pay all expenditures made or incurred by the company under authority of this act.

Powers of the
Boston transit
commission
not abridged.

SECTION 10. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to abridge the powers of the Boston transit commission under chapter seven hundred and forty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, as amended by chapter three hundred and seventy-six of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen; and the Boston transit commission may hereafter, upon the request of the company, and after notice and a public hearing, and subject to the approval of the public service commission in any case where such authority is to be exercised outside of the limits of the city of Boston, in connection with any stations or terminals either of existing subways and tunnels or subways and tunnels which may hereafter be constructed, provide means for a convenient interchange of passengers between any subway or tunnel and street railway lines; and for that purpose the said commission shall have in behalf of the city of Boston or the commonwealth as the case may be, all the powers conferred by said chapter seven hundred and forty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, as amended by chapter three hundred and seventy-six of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen: *provided, however*, that proper compensation shall be paid, as in the case of private land, for all public lands outside the

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limits of public ways which may be used for the purposes hereof.

SECTION 11. The Boston transit commission, upon request of the company, and after notice and a public hearing, may also make such alterations in, or extension to, the East Boston tunnel as the said commission may deem necessary for the purpose of providing means for a convenient interchange of passengers between the tunnel and surface lines, or convenient transportation facilities, and to that end shall have the powers conferred upon it in connection with the construction of the East Boston tunnel, as well as those conferred by chapter seven hundred and forty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, as amended by chapter three hundred and seventy-six of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen: *provided*, that no extension of the East Boston tunnel shall be constructed under the authority hereof to a point more than two thousand feet distant from Maverick square. The cost of such alterations or extensions shall be met by bonds to be issued by the city of Boston in the same manner as the original cost of the East Boston tunnel. Before any such work is done, however, the company shall execute a lease of such alterations or extensions for a term ending with that of the lease of the said tunnel. The company shall pay to the city of Boston a rental at the rate of four and one half per cent per annum upon the net cost of such alterations or extensions, and the lease shall be in the same general form as those authorized by said chapter seven hundred and forty-one, except in so far as any other provisions may be agreed upon by the Boston transit commission and the company as specially applicable to the demised premises. The said net cost shall be determined in the manner provided in said chapter seven hundred and forty-one, and the rental shall be paid in instalments corresponding to the requirements for the payment of rental on the East Boston tunnel extension described in said act. Any alteration or extension made under this act shall be deemed a part of the East Boston tunnel.

Before doing any work which shall affect the obligations of the lease of the East Boston tunnel the Boston transit commission shall secure the consent on the part of the company endorsed by a vote of its board of directors and on the part of the city of Boston by a vote of its city council.

Alterations,
etc., in East
Boston tunnel
authorized.

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City of Boston
may issue
bonds to meet
cost, etc.

Lease, rental,
etc.

Net cost, how
determined.

Boston transit
commission to
secure consent
of company, etc.

PART IV.

PROVIDING FOR THE ABOLITION, IN PART, OF THE SPECIAL
COMPENSATION TAX IMPOSED UPON THE BOSTON ELEVATED
RAILWAY COMPANY.1897, 500, § 10,
etc., amended.

SECTION 12. Section ten of chapter five hundred of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, as amended by chapter three hundred and eighty-eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eight, is hereby further amended by striking out the words beginning with the word "determined", in the forty-fifth line, and ending with the word "earnings", in the fifty-fifth line, and inserting in place thereof the following: — equal to the excess, if any, of the dividends over six per cent paid by the company during that year, — and by striking out the words "board of railroad commissioners", wherever they occur in said section, and inserting in place thereof the words: — public service commission, — and by striking out the word "board", in the twenty-fourth line, and inserting in place thereof the word: — commission, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 10.* Said corporation may establish, and take a toll or fare, which shall not exceed the sum of five cents for a single continuous passage in the same general direction upon the roads owned, leased or operated by it; and this sum shall not be reduced by the legislature during the period of twenty-five years, from and after the passage of this act: *provided, however,* that the public service commission may upon the petition of the board of aldermen of a city, selectmen of a town, or fifty legal voters of a city or town, in which any of the lines owned, leased or operated by said corporation are located, after due notice and hearing the parties interested, reduce such toll or fare; but such toll or fare shall not, without the consent of said corporation, be so reduced as to yield, with all other earnings and income of said corporation, except the income of the funds deposited with the treasurer of the commonwealth as required by this act and said chapter five hundred and forty-eight, a net divisible income, after paying all expenses of operation, interest, taxes, rentals, and other lawful charges, and after charging off a reasonable amount for depreciation, of less than eight per cent per annum on the outstanding capital stock of said corporation actually paid in in cash. The report of the commission shall be final and conclusive for one year. During said period of

May establish
and take a toll
or fare, etc.

Proviso.

Reduction of
fare, etc.

twenty-five years no taxes or excises not at present in fact imposed upon street railways shall be imposed in respect of the lines owned, leased or operated by said corporation, other than such as may have been in fact imposed upon the lines hereafter leased or operated by it at the date of such operating contract or of such lease or agreement hereafter made therefor nor any other burden, duty or obligation which is not at the same time imposed by general law on all street railway companies: *provided, however*, that said corporation shall be annually assessed and shall pay taxes now or hereafter imposed by general law in the same manner as though it were a street railway company, and shall, in addition, as compensation for the privileges herein granted, and for the use and occupation of the public streets, squares and places, by the lines of elevated and surface railroad owned, leased and operated by it, pay to the commonwealth, on or before the tenth day of November in each year, during said period of twenty-five years, an annual sum, the amount of which shall, in each year ending the last day of September, be equal to the excess, if any, of the dividends over six per cent paid by the company during that year. The above sum shall be paid into the treasury of the commonwealth and distributed among the different cities and towns in proportion to the mileage of elevated and surface main track, reckoned as single track, which is owned, leased or operated by said corporation and located therein. Said corporation shall also provide free transfer from elevated to surface and from surface to elevated cars at all stations of the elevated lines reached by surface lines and from one elevated car or train to another at junction points entitling a passenger to a continuous ride in the same general direction, and such further free transfers on all the surface lines of railway owned, leased or operated by it, as may be satisfactory to or required by the public service commission.

Certain burdens, obligations, etc., not to be imposed, etc.

Proviso.

Distribution to cities and towns, etc.

Free transfers to be provided, etc.

SECTION 13. No payment under the provisions of the preceding section, shall be required of the company in respect to the year ending on the last day of September in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, unless the annual dividends paid by the company during that year exceed six per cent.

No payment to be made for 1917, unless, etc.

PART V.

SECTION 14. In order that the public service commission may make such further investigation as it may deem necessary in order to determine whether or not the net income of

Appropriation for investigation by public service commission, etc.

the company may be increased by improved methods and practices, said commission may expend for the purposes of such investigation a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, for which it shall be reimbursed by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, and the public service commission shall report to the next general court, on or before the first Monday in February, whether section ten of chapter five hundred of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven should be repealed.

Reimbursement.

Report.

Powers conferred upon the Boston transit commission, how exercised if commission ceases to exist.

SECTION 15. In case the Boston transit commission shall cease to exist, the powers conferred upon it by this act shall thereupon be exercised by the public service commission or by such other commission or public agents as may be designated for that purpose by the general court. Any of the present employees of the Boston transit commission shall be eligible to appointment to the service of any commission or other public agents, in succession to said transit commission, without further civil service examination.

Time of taking effect.

SECTION 16. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the Boston Elevated Railway Company by a vote of its board of directors within sixty days after its passage.

Approved May 25, 1917.

[Accepted June 15, 1917.]

Chap. 374 AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS IN ORDER TO MEET INCREASED EXPENSES CAUSED BY THE WAR OR THE HIGH COST OF SUPPLIES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, emergency expenses of various boards, etc.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, from the ordinary revenue, unless otherwise specified, to meet certain emergency expenses of various boards, commissions, departments and institutions made necessary by the war and by the high cost of all necessary supplies, the same to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for the same purposes, to wit:—

Lakeville state sanatorium.

For the maintenance of the Lakeville state sanatorium, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

Rutland state sanatorium.

For the maintenance of the Rutland state sanatorium, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Westfield state sanatorium.

For the maintenance of the Westfield state sanatorium, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.

For the maintenance of the North Reading state sanatorium, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.	North Reading state sanatorium.
For expenses of operating the steamer Lexington, under the direction of the chief of the district police a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars.	Steamer Lexington.
For the maintenance of the state prison, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.	State prison.
For the maintenance of the state farm, a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars.	State farm.
For the maintenance of the Lyman school for boys, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.	Lyman school for boys.
For the maintenance of the industrial school for boys, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.	Industrial school for boys.
For the maintenance of the state industrial school for girls, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.	State industrial school for girls.
For expenses in connection with the collection of the income tax, a sum not exceeding sixty thousand dollars.	Income tax expenses.
For new furniture and fixtures, to be expended under the direction of the state house commission, a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars.	New furniture, etc.
For the rent of telephones and expenses in connection therewith, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.	Telephones.
For the maintenance of a state steamer for the use of the district police in the enforcement of law for the prevention of crime in the waters of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.	State steamer.
For expenses of the Bridgewater normal school, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.	Bridgewater normal school.
For expenses of the Fitchburg normal school, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.	Fitchburg normal school.
For expenses of the Framingham normal school, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.	Framingham normal school.
For expenses of the Hyannis normal school, a sum not exceeding twenty-six hundred dollars.	Hyannis normal school.
For expenses of the Lowell normal school, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.	Lowell normal school.
For expenses of the North Adams normal school, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.	North Adams normal school.
For expenses of the Salem normal school, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.	Salem normal school.
For expenses of the Worcester normal school, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.	Worcester normal school.
For expenses of the normal art school, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.	Normal art school.

Charles river basin.

For the care of the Charles river basin, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, to be paid from the Charles River Basin Maintenance Fund.

Purchase of land in Arlington.

For the purchase by the metropolitan park commission of a piece of land in the town of Arlington upon which the option will expire in October, nineteen hundred and seventeen, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, one half of which amount shall be paid out of the ordinary revenue, and one half assessed upon the cities and towns in the metropolitan district, in accordance with the findings of the apportionment commission under the authority of chapter four hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Metropolitan water system.

For the maintenance and operation of the metropolitan water system, a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars, to be paid from the assessments upon the cities and towns comprising the metropolitan water district.

Boston state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Boston state hospital, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

Danvers state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Danvers state hospital, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Foxborough state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Foxborough state hospital, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Grafton state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Grafton state hospital, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

Gardner state colony.

For the maintenance of the Gardner state colony, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

For the maintenance of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

Medfield state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Medfield state hospital, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

Monson state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Monson state hospital, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars.

Northampton state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Northampton state hospital, a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars.

Taunton state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Taunton state hospital, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.

Westborough state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Westborough state hospital, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

Worcester state hospital.

For the maintenance of the Worcester state hospital, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Wrentham state school.

For the maintenance of the Wrentham state school, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

- For the auditing of municipal accounts, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, the same to be met by assessment upon municipalities for which the work is done. Auditing municipal accounts.
- For clerical services and incidental expenses in the office of the commissioner of state aid and pensions made necessary by the passage of the act providing for aid for dependents of soldiers of the German war, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars. Commissioner of state aid and pensions, clerical services, etc.
- For clerical services in connection with the work of completing the publication of the province laws, to be expended under the direction of the secretary of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars. Province laws.
- For the pension of a person retired by the metropolitan park commission, the sum of four hundred eighty-four dollars and sixty-two cents, to be paid out of the Metropolitan Parks Maintenance Fund. Metropolitan Parks Maintenance Fund, pension.
- For clerical assistance in the office of the adjutant general, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars. Adjutant general, clerical assistance.
- For incidental and contingent expenses in the office of the adjutant general, a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars. Adjutant general, incidental expenses.
- For expenses not otherwise provided for in connection with military accounts, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars. Military accounts.
- For pay and allowances for officers and men of the land and naval forces under the charge of the adjutant general, a sum not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars. Land and naval forces, pay, etc.
- For necessary expenses of the board of dental examiners, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars. Board of dental examiners.
- For incidental and contingent expenses of the board of agriculture, including printing and furnishing extracts from the trespass laws, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars. Board of agriculture.
- For the maintenance and operation of the metropolitan water system, in order to enable the board to pay ten per cent increase to the employees of said board, a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars, to be paid out of the Metropolitan Water Maintenance Fund. Metropolitan water system, ten per cent increase to employees.
- For the maintenance and operation of the north metropolitan sewerage system, to enable the board to pay ten per cent increase for nine months to the employees of said board, a sum not exceeding ten thousand five hundred dollars, to be paid out of the Metropolitan Sewerage Maintenance Fund, North System. North Metropolitan sewerage system, ten per cent increase to employees.
- For the maintenance and operation of the south metropolitan sewerage system, to enable the board to pay ten South metropolitan sewerage system,

- ten per cent increase to employees. per cent increase for nine months to the employees of said board, a sum not exceeding sixty-five hundred dollars, to be paid out of the Metropolitan Sewerage Maintenance Fund, South System.
- Architects for plans. For the payment of architects for plans furnished in accordance with the requirements of chapter five hundred and twenty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and seven and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.
- Lakeville state sanatorium. To provide for a building at the Lakeville state sanatorium to replace one that was destroyed by fire on the fourteenth day of May of the present year, a sum not exceeding thirteen hundred dollars.
- Massachusetts hospital school. For expenses of the Massachusetts hospital school at Canton, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.
- Woburn parkway. For the payment of an agreement of settlement for damages by reason of taking of land by the metropolitan park commission in Woburn for the Woburn parkway, a sum not exceeding twelve hundred and fifty dollars, one half of which shall be paid out of the ordinary revenue and one half assessed upon the cities and towns in the metropolitan district.
- Auditor of the commonwealth. For additional clerical assistance in the department of the auditor of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, made necessary by additional work in consequence of the war.
- Board of commissioners on fisheries and game. For travel and incidental office expenses, including printing and binding the annual report, of the board of commissioners on fisheries and game, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.
- Fish hatcheries, bird and game preserves, etc. For the maintenance of fish hatcheries and propagation of food and game fish, the purchase of lobsters with eggs attached, the establishment of bird and game preserves and the maintenance of game farms for the protection and propagation of wild birds and quadrupeds, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.
- Board of registration in optometry, compensation, etc. For the compensation of members of the board of registration in optometry, a sum not exceeding twelve hundred dollars; and for clerks and expenses of said board, one hundred sixty-one dollars and twenty-eight cents; said amounts being due on account of expenses necessarily incurred during the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.
- Board of registration in optometry, clerical assistance, etc. For clerical assistance and office supplies for the board of registration in optometry, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars.

For printing and binding the annual report of the table of aggregates, including lists of corporations for the use of assessors, the sum of one hundred seventy-nine dollars and fifty-six cents.

Table of aggregates, printing, etc.

For valuation books for assessors of cities and towns, the sum of twenty-seven dollars and twenty-two cents.

Valuation books.

For allowance to batteries of artillery of the volunteer militia, a sum not exceeding twenty-four hundred dollars.

Artillery.

For heat, light and power, including coal, water, gas and the removal of ashes, to be expended by the sergeant-at-arms at the state house, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Sergeant-at-arms, heat, light, power, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 26, 1917.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO THE PRECEDING ACTS MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SUNDRY MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

Chap. 375

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, unless it is otherwise specified herein, to wit: —

Appropriations, sundry miscellaneous expenses.

For an investigation of the use of water from the Ipswich river, upon the approval of the state department of health, as authorized by chapter seventy-three of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

Ipswich river, water investigation.

For exhibitions and other means of increasing public interest in the protection of fish and game, upon the approval of the board of commissioners on fisheries and game, as authorized by chapter seventy-eight of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Fish and game exhibitions.

For a report on repairing the wharves and walls on Broad and Lechmere canals in the Charles river basin, upon the approval of the metropolitan park commission, as authorized by chapter seventy-nine of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars; to be assessed upon the cities and towns in the metropolitan parks district.

Charles river basin, report on repairing wharves, etc.

For installing a direct connected generator at the Massachusetts reformatory, upon the approval of the director of the bureau of prisons, as authorized by chapter eighty-two

Massachusetts reformatory, installing generator.

of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

Henry A. Stone. For an annuity for Henry A. Stone of Fall River, as authorized by chapter eighty-three of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding two hundred and sixty-five dollars.

Conserving flow of water in rivers and streams. For obtaining data for use in conserving and equalizing the flow of water in rivers and streams, upon the approval of the commission on waterways and public lands, as authorized by chapter eighty-four of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

Lowell textile school. For the maintenance of the Lowell textile school, the sum of fifty thousand dollars, and for building and improvements at said school, the sum of sixteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars, both sums to be paid to the trustees of the Lowell textile school, subject to the conditions of chapter eighty-five of the resolves of the present year.

French mission, entertainment. For the entertainment of the French mission to the United States, upon the approval of the governor, as authorized by chapter eighty-six of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

Industrial school for boys. For certain improvements at the industrial school for boys, upon the approval of the trustees of the Massachusetts training schools, as authorized by chapter eighty-eight of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding thirty-three hundred and forty-five dollars.

Middlesex Fells parkway in Somerville, granolithic sidewalks. For the construction of granolithic sidewalks along the westerly roadway of Middlesex Fells parkway in Somerville, upon the approval of the metropolitan park commission, as authorized by chapter eighty-nine of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars; the same to be assessed upon the cities and towns of the metropolitan parks district.

Water supplies, examination. For an examination of water supplies, upon the approval of the state department of health, as authorized by chapter ninety of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.

Lyman school for boys. For the extension and repair of the cow barn at the Lyman school for boys, upon the approval of the trustees of the Massachusetts training schools, as authorized by chapter ninety-one of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

Hale's brook in Lowell. For a report on improving Hale's brook in the city of Lowell, upon the approval of the state department of health,

as authorized by chapter ninety-two of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, to be assessed upon the city of Lowell.

For coal dumping facilities at the state farm, upon the approval of the trustees of said institution, as authorized by chapter ninety-three of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

State farm.

For an investigation of the advisability of amending and supplementing the law relating to dogs, upon the approval of the special commission established by chapter one hundred and two of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Laws relating to dogs.

For sewage filtration beds at the Westfield state sanatorium, upon the approval of the trustees of hospitals for consumptives, as authorized by chapter one hundred and three of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding seventy-five hundred dollars.

Westfield State sanatorium.

For the completion of a vacuum system at the Northampton state hospital, upon the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter ninety-seven of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding seventeen hundred and sixty dollars.

Northampton state hospital.

For the purchase of land and certain improvements at the Wrentham state school, upon the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter ninety-eight of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Wrentham state school.

For additional land and laundry equipment at the Gardner state colony, upon the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter ninety-nine of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding eighty-five hundred dollars.

Gardner state colony.

For certain improvements at the Medfield state hospital, upon the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter ninety-six of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

Medfield state hospital.

For certain improvements at the Shrewsbury colony of the Worcester state hospital, upon the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter ninety-five of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand three hundred and eighty-five dollars.

Shrewsbury colony, Worcester state hospital.

For the purchase of certain equipment for the Monson state hospital, upon the approval of the commission on

Monson state hospital.

mental diseases, as authorized by chapter one hundred of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifty-six hundred and five dollars.

Massachusetts hospital school.

For certain improvements at the Massachusetts hospital school, upon the approval of the trustees of said institution, as authorized by chapter one hundred and four of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Martha's Vineyard reservation.

For an addition to the superintendent's house at the Martha's Vineyard reservation, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars; for additions to the superintendent's house at the Palmer hatchery, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars; and for a barn at the Wilbraham game farm, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, in addition to the appropriation for the same purpose made in the fiscal year nineteen hundred and sixteen, severally upon the approval of the commissioners on fisheries and game, as provided by chapter one hundred and seven of the resolves of the present year.

Palmer hatchery.

Wilbraham game farm.

Westborough state hospital.

For certain improvements at the Westborough state hospital, upon the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter ninety-four of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.

Attorney-general, publishing opinions.

For the expense of preparing for publication and publishing the opinions of the attorney-general, upon his approval, as authorized by chapter one hundred and eleven of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding thirty-eight hundred dollars.

Salem harbor, etc., survey of road along shores of.

For a survey of a road along the shores of Salem harbor in the city of Salem and the town of Marblehead, upon the approval of the Massachusetts highway commission, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twelve of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Claim for loss of horse.

For the settlement of a claim for the loss of a horse, upon the approval of the adjutant general, as authorized by chapter one hundred and thirteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifteen dollars.

State house extension, alterations.

For making certain changes and alterations in the state house extension, upon the approval of the state house commission, as authorized by chapter three hundred and twenty-five of the Special Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars.

For the disposition of sewage from the Worcester state hospital, upon the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter three hundred and thirty-seven of the Special Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to an appropriation made in nineteen hundred and sixteen for the same purpose.

Worcester state hospital.

For the protection and preservation of the woods of Blue Hills reservation from damage by insects and tree diseases, upon the approval of the metropolitan park commission, as authorized by chapter three hundred and forty-five of the Special Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding forty-three thousand dollars.

Blue Hills reservation.

For the salary of the second assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex, as authorized by chapter two hundred and fourteen of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred and sixteen dollars, the same to be in addition to any appropriation heretofore made for the same purpose.

Salary, second assistant register of probate and insolvency, Middlesex county.

For the salary of the second assistant district attorney for the southeastern district, as authorized by chapter two hundred and twenty-two of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifteen dollars, the same to be in addition to any appropriation heretofore made for the purpose.

Salary, second assistant district attorney for southeastern district.

For the establishment of stations for the rearing of trout in certain counties, upon the approval of the commissioners on fisheries and game, as authorized by chapter two hundred and twenty-eight of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Stations for rearing trout.

For the salary of a second district attorney for the eastern district, as authorized by chapter two hundred and twenty-nine of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding eight hundred and fifteen dollars.

Salary, second district attorney for eastern district.

For the salary of the district attorney for the middle district, a sum not exceeding three hundred and thirty-five dollars, and for the salary of the assistant district attorney for the middle district, a sum not exceeding two hundred and thirty dollars, both as authorized by chapter two hundred and forty-two of the General Acts of the present year, and both to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for the said purposes.

Salaries, district attorney and assistant district attorney for middle district.

For the salary of the commissioner of weights and measures, as authorized by chapter two hundred and forty-three of the

Salary, commissioner of weights and measures.

General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding two hundred and eighty dollars, the same to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Salary, state house postmaster.

For the salary of the postmaster of the state house, as authorized by chapter two hundred and forty-four of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred and twelve dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Salary, John W. Locke, deputy tax commissioner.

For the salary of John W. Locke, deputy tax commissioner, as authorized by chapter two hundred and sixty-one of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred forty dollars and four cents, the same to be in addition to an appropriation already made for the salary of the deputy tax commissioner.

White pine blister rust, investigation, etc.

For an investigation and suppression of the white pine blister rust, upon the approval of the secretary of the state board of agriculture, as authorized by chapter two hundred and sixty-three of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 26, 1917.

Chap. 376 AN ACT IN FURTHER ADDITION TO THE PRECEDING ACTS MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SUNDRY MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Appropriations, sundry miscellaneous expenses.

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, unless otherwise specified, to wit: —

Industrial school for girls.

For certain improvements at the industrial school for girls, with the approval of the trustees of the Massachusetts training schools, as authorized by chapter one hundred and sixteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding sixty-three hundred dollars.

State normal school in southeastern Massachusetts.

For an investigation relative to a state normal school in the southeastern part of the commonwealth, with the approval of the state board of education, as authorized by chapter one hundred and eighteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Charles river, certain bridges over.

For an investigation as to the construction and maintenance of certain bridges over the Charles river, with the approval of the metropolitan park commission, as authorized

by chapter one hundred and nineteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, to be paid from the Metropolitan Parks Maintenance Fund, Boulevards.

For an investigation relative to a state highway from Boston through Milton, Quincy, Braintree and Holbrook to Brockton, with the approval of the Massachusetts highway commission, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

State highway
from Boston to
Brockton.

For certain buildings and improvements at the Boston state hospital, with the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding eighty-nine thousand eight hundred and thirty-two dollars.

Boston state
hospital.

For certain improvements at the Grafton state hospital, with the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-three of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred eight thousand one hundred and seventy-eight dollars.

Grafton state
hospital.

For certain improvements at the Foxboro state hospital, with the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars.

Foxboro state
hospital.

For the services of experts and expenses of an investigation of the Massachusetts commission for the blind, with the approval of the supervisor of administration, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Massachusetts
commission for
the blind.

For buildings, equipment and maintenance of the market garden field station at Lexington, with the approval of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Market garden
field station at
Lexington.

For compensation and necessary expenses of the joint special recess committee on taxation of corporations, a sum not exceeding thirteen thousand dollars.

Committee on
taxation of
corporations.

For compensation and expenses of the joint special recess committee on the administration of the financial affairs of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars.

Committee on
administration
of the financial
affairs of the
commonwealth.

Settlement of certain claim, approval of adjutant general.

For the settlement of a certain claim, with the approval of the adjutant general, as authorized by chapter one hundred and thirteen of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding thirty-five dollars, the same to be in addition to any appropriation heretofore made for the purpose.

Primary elections for constitutional convention.

For the expenses of primary elections held in connection with the constitutional convention, with the approval of the secretary of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any appropriation heretofore made for the purpose.

Expenses of committees, etc.

For expenses of committees of the present general court, including the compensation of clerks and assistants, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any appropriation heretofore made for the purpose.

Printing blue book.

For the printing of blue books, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any appropriation heretofore made for the purpose.

Utilizing commonwealth's land at Belchertown.

For utilizing and developing land of the commonwealth at Belchertown by the labor of inmates, and including supervision and maintenance of the same, with the approval of the trustees of the Wrentham state school, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Commission on mental diseases, salaries of employees.

For the salaries and compensation of employees of the commission on mental diseases, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

For the maintenance of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, with the approval of the trustees of said institution, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Salary, second assistant district attorney for southern district.

For the salary of a second assistant district attorney for the southern district, as authorized by chapter two hundred and eighty-four of the general acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding seven hundred and thirty dollars.

State board of agriculture, clerical assistance.

For additional clerical assistance for the state board of agriculture, as authorized by chapter two hundred and eighty-six of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.

Industrial accident board, salaries, etc.

For the salaries of additional members of the industrial accident board, as authorized by chapter two hundred and ninety-seven of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding forty-five hundred dollars.

For the compensation of employees of the commonwealth who enter the military or naval service of the United States during the present war, as authorized by chapter three hundred and one of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Compensation of employees of commonwealth entering military or naval service, etc.

For the salary of the assistant district attorney for the northern district, as authorized by chapter three hundred and four of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding three hundred and twelve dollars.

Salary, assistant district attorney for northern district.

For providing homesteads for citizens, with the approval of the homestead commission, as authorized by chapter three hundred and ten of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

Homesteads for citizens.

For providing an additional water supply for the Grafton state hospital, with the approval of the commission on mental diseases, as authorized by chapter three hundred and thirteen of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred and five thousand dollars.

Grafton state hospital.

For the expense of investigation and building of a breakwater or sea wall on the shores of Quincy bay, with the approval of the commission on waterways and public lands, as authorized by chapter three hundred and sixty-three of the Special Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Breakwater on shores of Quincy bay.

For expenses in connection with the letting of the contract for state printing, to be approved by the special commission thereon, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-eight of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Contract for state printing, expenses.

For salaries and expenses, with the approval of the Massachusetts bureau of immigration, as authorized by chapter three hundred and twenty-one of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Massachusetts bureau of immigration, salaries, etc.

For the compensation and expenses of the special commission appointed to investigate the problems relating to the street railways of the commonwealth, as authorized by chapter one hundred and twenty-nine of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Special commission on street railway problems.

For the compensation and expenses of the special commission appointed to investigate the question of social insurance, as authorized by chapter one hundred and thirty of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Special commission on social insurance.

John E. Vogel.

For compensation of John E. Vogel of Beverly, subject to the conditions as provided in chapter one hundred and thirty-one of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.

Massachusetts Agricultural College, maintenance.

For the maintenance of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, as authorized by chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the resolves of the present year, the sum of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars, to be paid to the trustees of said college in equal quarterly instalments.

Office of national guard property and disbursing officer, etc.

For clerical and office expenses in the office of the national guard property and disbursing officer with the approval of the adjutant general, as authorized by chapter one hundred and thirty-three of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars.

Massachusetts Agricultural College, power plant improvements.

For improvements in the power plant at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, with the approval of the trustees and subject to the conditions of chapter one hundred and thirty-four of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars.

Massachusetts Agricultural College, equipment, etc.

For equipment and improvements at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, with the approval of the trustees and subject to the conditions of chapter one hundred and thirty-five of the resolves of the present year, a sum not exceeding thirty-three thousand five hundred dollars.

Salary, surgeon general of militia.

For the salary of the surgeon general of the militia as authorized by chapter three hundred and thirty-four of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty-five dollars, to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Salaries, judges, registers and assistant registers of probate and insolvency of certain counties.

For the salaries of each of the judges of probate and insolvency for the counties of Barnstable, Franklin and Hampshire, a sum not exceeding one hundred and five dollars, respectively; for the salaries of each of the judges of probate and insolvency for the counties of Dukes and Nantucket the sum of one hundred and five dollars, respectively; for the salaries of each of the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Barnstable, Franklin, Hampshire, Dukes and Nantucket, a sum not exceeding one hundred and five dollars, respectively; and for the salaries of each of the assistant registers of probate for the counties of Barnstable, Franklin, Hampshire, respectively, a sum not exceeding fifty-five dollars, severally, as authorized by chapter three hundred and thirty-six of the General Acts of the present

year, and to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for the purposes.

For the salaries of William H. Sanger, assistant clerk of the senate, and Frank E. Bridgman, assistant clerk of the house of representatives, as authorized by chapter three hundred and thirty-eight of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars each, both to be in addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated for the purposes.

Salaries of
William H.
Sanger and
Frank E.
Bridgman.

For the salary of the secretary of the state board of conciliation and arbitration as authorized by chapter three hundred and forty-one of the General Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for the purpose.

Salary, secretary, state board of conciliation and arbitration.

For an investigation by the public service commission, as authorized by chapter three hundred and seventy-three of the Special Acts of the present year, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Public service commission investigation.

For certain expenses in the executive department, as approved by the governor, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Executive department, expenses.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 26, 1917.

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RESOLVES.

RESOLVE TO EXTEND THE TIME WITHIN WHICH CERTAIN RECESS COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL COURT. *Chap. 1*

Resolved, That the time within which the special recess committee on workmen's compensation insurance rates and accident prevention, the special recess commission on social insurance, the special commission to consider the financial condition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, and the special recess committee on building legislation, are required to make their reports to the general court, on the matters committed to them, is hereby extended to the first day of February, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Time extended within which certain recess commissions and committees are required to report to the general court.

Approved January 29, 1917.

RESOLVE TO CONFIRM THE ACTS OF FREDERICK A. GASKINS OF MILTON AS A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. *Chap. 2*

Resolved, That the acts of Frederick A. Gaskins of Milton as a justice of the peace, between the twelfth and twenty-ninth days of December in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, are hereby confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if during that time he had been qualified to discharge the duties of the said office.

Acts of Frederick A. Gaskins of Milton as a justice of the peace confirmed.

Approved February 7, 1917.

RESOLVE EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION TO REVISE AND CODIFY THE LAWS RELATIVE TO PARTITIONS OF REAL ESTATE AND ALLIED MATTERS. *Chap. 3*

Resolved, That the time within which the special commission to revise and codify the laws relative to partitions of real estate and allied matters is required by chapter eighty-one of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, to report to the general court, is hereby extended to

Time extended for the report of the special commission to revise and codify the laws relative to partitions of real estate, etc.

the second Wednesday in February in the current year, and the commission is hereby authorized to continue its work, and its powers and duties are continued, to the said date.

Approved February 7, 1917.

- Chap.* 4 RESOLVE EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION RELATIVE TO THE SUBJECT OF SPECIAL TRAINING FOR INJURED PERSONS.

Time extended for the report of the board of education relative to the subject of special training for injured persons.

Resolved, That the time within which the board of education is required to report, under the provisions of chapter seventy-five of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, is hereby extended to the second Tuesday of February, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, and the board is hereby authorized to continue its investigations accordingly.

Approved February 14, 1917.

- Chap.* 5 RESOLVE EXTENDING THE TIME IN WHICH THE SPECIAL BOARD APPOINTED TO CONSIDER THE SUBJECT OF PHYSICAL TRAINING FOR BOYS AND GIRLS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS REQUIRED TO REPORT.

Time extended for report of special board appointed to consider the subject of physical training for boys and girls in the public schools.

Resolved, That the time within which the special board appointed to report, under the provisions of chapter ninety of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, is hereby extended to the second Wednesday of February, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, and the board is hereby authorized to continue its investigations accordingly.

Approved February 14, 1917.

- Chap.* 6 RESOLVE FURTHER TO EXTEND THE TIME WITHIN WHICH A CERTAIN RECESS COMMISSION AND CERTAIN RECESS COMMITTEES ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL COURT.

Time extended for report of a certain recess commission and certain recess committees, etc.

Resolved, That the time within which the special recess committee on workmen's compensation insurance rates and accident prevention, the special recess commission on social insurance, and the special recess committee on building legislation, are required to make their reports to the general court, on the matters committed to them, is hereby further extended to the fifteenth day of February, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Approved February 14, 1917.

RESOLVE TO AUTHORIZE THE PRINTING OF ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOMESTEAD COMMISSION. *Chap. 7*

Resolved, That the homestead commission be authorized to publish for public distribution five hundred additional copies of the fourth annual report of said commission. *Approved February 17, 1917.*

Homestead commission may print additional copies of its fourth annual report.

RESOLVE TO AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF AN ANNUITY TO FANNIE S. BUTLER THROUGH THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BOSTON. *Chap. 8*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to the mayor of the city of Boston an annuity of two hundred and fifty dollars, to be expended by the mayor for the benefit of Fannie S. Butler, granddaughter of the late Sylvia Sepit Thomas and daughter of the late Mary Angeline Thomas Butler, members of the Wampanoag tribe of Indians, for the rest of her natural life, beginning with the first day of December in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, and payable in equal quarterly instalments.

Annuity to Fannie S. Butler to be paid through the mayor of Boston.

Chapter one hundred and seventeen of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen is hereby repealed.

Approved February 17, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING AN ANNUITY TO WILMA D. BENT. *Chap. 9*

Resolved, That from and after the first day of January, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to Wilma D. Bent, an annuity of two hundred dollars for the term of five years, payable in equal quarterly instalments, said Wilma D. Bent being the widow of George O. Bent, who was granted an annuity by the commonwealth for injuries received by him at the reformatory for women which finally resulted in his death. *Approved February 17, 1917.*

Wilma D. Bent.

RESOLVE GRANTING AN ANNUITY TO EMMA E. DE SHAZO. *Chap. 10*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to Emma E. De Shazo an annuity of five hundred dollars, payable in equal quarterly instalments, for a term of six years: *provided*, that she so long sur-

Emma E. De Shazo.
Proviso.

vives and remains unmarried, on account of the loss of her husband, James B. De Shazo, who died as a result of injuries received by him on the thirteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and fourteen, while in the discharge of his duties as a member of the boiler inspection department of the district police. *Approved February 17, 1917.*

Chap. 11 RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOLDIERS' HOME IN MASSACHUSETTS.

Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, in equal quarterly instalments beginning on the first day of December in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, to the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, for maintenance, the sum of one hundred nine thousand four hundred dollars, and also a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars for the purpose of constructing a macadam road on the grounds adjacent to said home.

Approved February 17, 1917.

Chap. 12 RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO MAINTAIN AND DISPLAY THE EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT SHOWN AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION.

Board of education may display, etc., a certain educational exhibit.

Resolved, That the board of education is hereby authorized to maintain and display the educational exhibit shown by the commonwealth at the Panama-Pacific international exposition, at any place within the commonwealth, and may expend for the purpose a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars.

Approved February 20, 1917.

Chap. 13 RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR BINDING OF BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS BELONGING TO THE STATE LIBRARY.

Binding of books and pamphlets belonging to the state library.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, to be expended by the trustees of the state library, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars for the repair, preservation and binding of books and pamphlets.

Approved February 20, 1917.

Chap. 14 RESOLVE GRANTING AN ANNUITY TO OLIVE A. PARENTEAU OF SPRINGFIELD.

Olive A. Parenteau of Springfield.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to Olive A. Parenteau of Springfield, widow of the late Alfred Parenteau, the balance of the

annuity which he would have received under chapter fifty-three of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen had he survived the term of years therein designated. Said annuity shall be payable in equal quarterly instalments until the total amount provided for by said chapter fifty-three shall have been paid.

Approved February 20, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING ANNUITIES TO TEEWELEEMA MITCHELL AND HER TWO SISTERS OF THE WAMPANOAG TRIBE OF INDIANS. Chap. 15

Resolved, That there shall be paid annually from the treasury of the commonwealth, in equal quarterly instalments from the first day of December, nineteen hundred and sixteen, the sum of one hundred dollars each to Teeeweleema Mitchell, Wontonekamuske Mitchell and Zeria Robinson, three sisters, aged and needy Indian women of the Wampanoag tribe, residents of Lakeville, who are descendants of King Philip's sister, and descendants of Massasoit.

Teeeweleema Mitchell and two sisters.

Approved February 21, 1917.

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR REIMBURSING THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON FOR THE SUPPORT OF SMITH'S AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL AND NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIES. Chap. 16

Resolved, That the sum of ten thousand dollars be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to the city of Northampton for the maintenance and support of Smith's Agricultural School and Northampton School of Industries.

City of Northampton reimbursed for certain expenses.

Approved February 23, 1917.

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR REFUNDING A SUM OF MONEY ILLEGALLY EXACTED FROM THE DUNBAR AVENUE GARAGE COMPANY. Chap. 17

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to the Dunbar Avenue Garage Company, of Boston, the sum of one hundred thirty-nine dollars and seventy-two cents, being an overpayment of corporate franchise tax illegally exacted from said company through an error made in the department of the tax commissioner.

Dunbar Avenue Garage Company.

Approved February 23, 1917.

Chap. 18 RESOLVE RELATIVE TO EXPENDITURES BY HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICIALS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Expenditures
by heads of de-
partments, etc.

Resolved, That the heads of departments and other officials having charge or supervision of expenditures in behalf of the commonwealth for which no appropriations have been made are hereby authorized to continue the said departments and expenditures until appropriations are made therefor, or until the pleasure of the present general court in respect thereto is otherwise made known.

Approved February 27, 1917.

Chap. 19 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A PAYMENT FROM THE TREASURY OF THE COMMONWEALTH TO AN ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM J. CASEY.

Administrator
of the estate
of William J.
Casey.

Resolved, That the probate court for the county of Suffolk is hereby authorized, notwithstanding the provisions of section fourteen of chapter one hundred and thirty-eight of the Revised Laws, to appoint some suitable person as administrator of the estate, not already administered, of William J. Casey, who died on the twenty-eighth day of November in the year nineteen hundred and seven, and there shall be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to the administrator thus appointed the sum of two hundred two dollars and seventy-four cents paid by Theodore H. Tyndale, a public administrator, as administrator of the said estate, into the treasury of the commonwealth. The said sum shall be administered according to law by the administrator hereby provided for as a part of the estate of the said Casey.

Approved February 28, 1917.

Chap. 20 RESOLVE GRANTING AN ANNUITY TO LEMUEL D. BURR AND ANNA BURR.

Lemuel D.
Burr and
Anna Burr.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth in substitution for the annuity granted by chapter four of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and nine, which is hereby repealed, an annuity of two hundred and fifty dollars to Lemuel D. Burr and Anna Burr, children of the late Lemuel Burr of Cambridge, who was a member of the Ponkapoag tribe of Indians. Said annuity shall begin the first day of December in the year

nineteen hundred and sixteen, shall be payable in equal quarterly instalments, and shall continue during their natural lives. In the event of the death of one of the said persons the survivor shall receive one half of the annuity granted by this resolve. *Approved February 28, 1917.*

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION AS TO THE ADVISABILITY OF CHANGING THE HARBOR LINES IN PROVINCETOWN HARBOR. *Chap. 21*

Resolved, That the commission on waterways and public lands is hereby authorized and directed to make the necessary surveys and examinations for the purpose of determining the advisability of changing the harbor lines in Provincetown harbor established by chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-seven. The said commission shall report to the general court not later than the first Wednesday in January in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen with such recommendations as it may deem necessary. *Approved February 28, 1917.*

Investigation as to the advisability of changing the harbor lines in Provincetown harbor.

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION AS TO SEWAGE DISPOSAL IN THE TOWNS OF ARLINGTON AND LEXINGTON. *Chap. 22*

Resolved, That the metropolitan water and sewerage board shall investigate the condition and capacity of the present metropolitan sewer in the town of Arlington with especial reference to its capacity to receive and dispose of the sewage of that part of the town of Arlington tributary to the same, and of the town of Lexington. The said board is also authorized and directed to report a plan for the new sewer contemplated by section four of chapter five hundred and twenty of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, in the valley of Mill or Sucker Brook, so situated as to serve all parts of the said valley and such adjacent territory as, in the opinion of the board, should be served by the same. The board may employ such engineering or other assistance as may be necessary, and may incur an expense not exceeding one thousand dollars in carrying out the provisions of this resolve. The board shall report to the present general court not later than the first day of May, with plans and estimates of the cost of such construction as it may recommend.

Investigation as to sewage disposal in the towns of Arlington and Lexington.

Approved March 8, 1917.

Chap. 23 RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE CUSTODY OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

Sale of certain property in custody of board of commissioners on fisheries and game.

Resolved, That the board of commissioners on fisheries and game is hereby authorized to sell or exchange the power boat "Egret" now in the custody of said commissioners, the proceeds of any sale to be paid into the treasury of the commonwealth. *Approved March 12, 1917.*

Chap. 24 RESOLVE RELATIVE TO THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE EXTENT OF THE USE OF HABIT-FORMING DRUGS.

Printing of report of commission on use of habit-forming drugs.

Resolved, That there be printed eleven hundred additional copies of the report of the commission, appointed under chapter one hundred and twelve of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, to investigate the extent of the use of habit-forming drugs in this commonwealth and the effectiveness of the laws intended to prevent the increasing use of the same. Said additional copies shall be distributed under the direction of the state department of health. *Approved March 12, 1917.*

Chap. 25 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR EXPERIMENTAL WORK BY THE MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE IN THE PLANTING AND GROWING OF TOBACCO.

Experimental work in planting and growing tobacco.

Resolved, That the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College be authorized and directed to expend out of the appropriation for the maintenance and current expenses of the college, from the allotment for the experiment station, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars for the rental of real estate and of the necessary equipment, and for the employment of labor in experimental work concerning the planting and growing of tobacco.

Approved March 12, 1917.

Chap. 26 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF JUSTICES OF DISTRICT, POLICE AND MUNICIPAL COURTS.

Certain expenses of the association of justices of district, police and municipal courts.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, for printing, typewriting, stationery and postage, to be expended under the direction of the executive committee

of the association of justices of district, police and municipal courts of Massachusetts in unifying and improving the practice and forms of procedure in the said courts. The said sum shall be available from year to year until it is exhausted, without further appropriation.

Approved March 12, 1917.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE PARK BUILDING COMPANY OF WORCESTER. *Chap. 27*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, from the receipts of the corporate franchise tax, to the Park Building Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the commonwealth and having its usual place of business in Worcester, the sum of two thousand nineteen dollars and fifty-five cents, being the amount of an overpayment of taxes erroneously required from the said corporation.

Park Building
Company of
Worcester.

Approved March 12, 1917.

RESOLVE EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT. *Chap. 28*

Resolved, That the time within which the special commission on the investigation of agricultural education at the Massachusetts Agricultural College and the development of the agricultural resources of the commonwealth, appointed under chapter one hundred and six of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, is required to make its report to the general court, is hereby extended to the second day of April, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Time extended
for report of
special com-
mission on
agricultural
education, etc.

Approved March 12, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A PROPER REPRESENTATION OF THE COMMONWEALTH AT THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC IN THE CITY OF BOSTON DURING THE PRESENT YEAR. *Chap. 29*

Resolved, That, for the purpose of uniting with the veterans of the war of the rebellion in a proper observance of the fifty-second anniversary of the termination of said war, and of assisting the grand army of the republic in holding its national encampment of the present year in the city of Boston, and thereby enabling the commonwealth to offer, in testimony of its appreciation of their services to the nation, a

Representation
of common-
wealth at
national
G. A. R. en-
campment, etc.

fitting hospitality to the veteran soldiers, there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth a sum not exceeding thirty-six thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the governor and council, in such manner as they shall deem proper.

Resolved, That the governor, the lieutenant governor, the executive council, the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, a special committee of three members of the senate and five members of the house of representatives, to be appointed by the presiding officers of the two branches, shall represent the commonwealth at the reception and entertainment of the veterans on the occasion of the national encampment.

Approved March 19, 1917.

Chap. 30 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON FISHERIES AND GAME CONCERNING THE ADVISABILITY OF ESTABLISHING A SALT WATER FISH HATCHERY.

Investigation as to advisability of establishing a salt water fish hatchery.

Resolved, That the board of commissioners on fisheries and game be directed to make an investigation as to the advisability of establishing in Massachusetts a hatchery especially adapted for the propagation of salt water fish. The board shall report to the general court not later than the second Wednesday in January in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Approved March 21, 1917.

Chap. 31 RESOLVE RELATIVE TO THE TAKING OF MOLLUSKS FROM CLARK'S COVE.

Taking of mollusks from Clark's cove.

Resolved, That the state department of health shall cause the waters of Clark's cove to be examined in order to determine whether the said waters, or any parts thereof, are now free from pollution to such a degree that the taking of mollusks from them for food would not be detrimental to the public health, and if the said department shall so determine, it is hereby authorized to remove from the said waters or any part thereof any restriction upon the taking of mollusks for food imposed under authority of chapter four hundred and eleven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

Approved March 21, 1917.

RESOLVE CONFIRMING THE ACTS OF HENRY KENNEY AS A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. *Chap. 32*

Resolved, That the acts of Henry Kenney as a justice of the peace, between the twenty-ninth day of September and the fourteenth day of November, in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, are hereby confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if during that time he had been qualified to discharge the duties of the said office.

Acts of Henry Kenney as a justice of the peace confirmed.

Approved March 21, 1917.

RESOLVE TO CONFIRM THE ACTS OF STEPHEN W. HOLMES OF NEWTON AS A NOTARY PUBLIC. *Chap. 33*

Resolved, That the acts of Stephen W. Holmes of Newton, as a notary public, between the second and eighth days of February, both inclusive, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, are hereby confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if during that time he had been qualified to discharge the duties of the said office.

Acts of Stephen W. Holmes of Newton as a notary public confirmed.

Approved March 22, 1917.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF GEORGE H. WALKER OF NORTH DIGHTON. *Chap. 34*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to George H. Walker of North Dighton the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars as compensation in full for the loss of, and injury to, certain bulbs belonging to him which were sent by the state board of agriculture to the Panama-Pacific international exposition at San Francisco.

George H. Walker of North Dighton.

Approved March 29, 1917.

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF A SUM OF MONEY TO THE TOWN OF PERU FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES. *Chap. 35*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid from the treasury of the commonwealth to the town of Peru the sum of five hundred forty-five dollars and ninety-five cents, this sum being the amount which the town would have received for educational purposes had it not been for an error in the valuation of the town in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Town of Peru for educational purposes.

Approved March 29, 1917.

- Chap. 36* RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD TO INVESTIGATE THE CLAIMS OF GEORGE L. MCCANN OF SANDWICH AND WILLIAM FITZGERALD AND SON OF SALEM.

Investigation of claims of George L. McCann of Sandwich and William Fitzgerald and Son of Salem.

Resolved, That the chief quartermaster of the national guard is hereby authorized to investigate the claims of George L. McCann of Sandwich as presented in house document number thirteen hundred and forty-four of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, and of William Fitzgerald and Son of Salem as presented in house document number ten hundred and twenty-four of the same year, and to determine what compensation, if any, should be allowed in either or both cases. Any sums approved and allowed by him hereunder shall be paid from the appropriation for quartermaster's incidental and contingent expenses.

Approved March 29, 1917.

- Chap. 37* RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THOMAS E. FALLON OF MEDFORD.

Thomas E. Fallon of Medford.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to Thomas E. Fallon of Medford, the sum of one hundred dollars a month for twenty-four months, in full compensation for an injury received by him while in the discharge of his duties as a member of the Massachusetts National guard at a rifle range in the town of Wakefield on or about the twenty-third day of September in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Approved March 29, 1917.

- Chap. 38* RESOLVE RELATIVE TO THE COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN INSPECTORS OF SMALL ARMS PRACTICE FOR SERVICES ON THE MEXICAN BORDER.

Compensation of certain officers for services on the Mexican border.

Resolved, That the adjutant general be authorized to consider the claims for services of the following officers in the national guard of Massachusetts: — Albert L. Woodworth, second infantry; Thomas McCarthy, fifth infantry; Harold J. Patten, eighth infantry; Joseph T. Lawless, ninth infantry; and Stuart W. Wise, first squadron of cavalry, while acting as assistant inspectors of small arms practice with their organizations on the Mexican border during the month of July, and part of the month of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and to determine what com-

pensation they should be allowed for said services. Any payments to the above mentioned officers approved by the adjutant general shall be charged to the appropriation for militia pay of the national guard of Massachusetts.

Approved March 29, 1917.

RESOLVE RELATIVE TO CLARENCE J. SMITH.

Chap. 39

Resolved, That Clarence J. Smith, who for the past eighteen sessions has been employed as a clerical assistant in the office of the clerk of the house of representatives, may be continued in such employment for the remainder of the session, notwithstanding that he is at present unable to perform his duties.

Clarence J. Smith.

Approved March 29, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL REPORT BY THE COMMISSIONER ON WAR RECORDS RELATIVE TO THE STATUS OF THE WORK BEING DONE BY HIM.

Chap. 40

Resolved, That the adjutant general be directed to report to the present general court, not later than the first day of April, as to the present status of the work being done by him or under his direction as commissioner on war records, specifying the period of time thus far consumed thereby, its cost to date, the further time required, with recommendations relative to the completion and publication thereof, and the cost of the same.

Report as to status of work being done by commissioner of war records.

Approved March 29, 1917.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CHARITABLE EYE AND EAR INFIRMARY.

Chap. 41

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, the sum of forty-five thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the managers thereof for the charitable purposes of the infirmary during the current year.

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Approved April 3, 1917.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE NEW ENGLAND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR DEAF MUTES.

Chap. 42

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes, upon the approval of the board of education, the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars,

New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes.

to be expended under the direction of its trustees for the educational purposes of the school for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen. The trustees shall report to the board of education the expenditures made under authority of this resolve.

Approved April 3, 1917.

Chap. 43 RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF CERTAIN STATE EMPLOYEES WHO SERVED IN THE NATIONAL GUARD ON THE MEXICAN BORDER.

In favor of certain state employees who served in the national guard on the Mexican border.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to those members of the national guard of Massachusetts, now or formerly in the employ of the commonwealth, who served as non-commissioned officers or privates on the Mexican border under the call of the president of June nineteenth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, the difference between the sums received by them as soldiers and the sums which they would have received as civilian employees of the commonwealth. The adjutant general shall furnish the auditor of the commonwealth with the names of such employees, the sums of money received by them as national guardsmen, and the dates when they were mustered into and out of the federal military service. The auditor shall thereupon certify for payment the sums to which they are entitled under this resolve.

(The foregoing was laid before the governor on the twenty-eighth day of March, 1917, and after five days it had "the force of a law", as prescribed by the constitution, as it was not returned by him with his objections thereto within that time.)

Chap. 44 RESOLVE EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE REPORT OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITY RELATIVE TO THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS AND TO THE ACQUISITION BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE SUFFOLK SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Time extended for report as to care, etc., of juvenile offenders, etc.

Resolved, That the state board of charity shall continue the investigation authorized by chapter forty-six of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, relative to the care and treatment of juvenile offenders, to unifying under one central authority the training and instruction of boys in industrial schools, and to the acquisition and maintenance by the commonwealth of the Suffolk School

for Boys in the city of Boston; and the time within which the board shall report the result of its investigation is hereby extended to the second Wednesday of January in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen. *Approved April 4, 1917.*

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AS TO THE PROTECTION AND PUBLIC USE OF THE MYSTIC LAKES IN MEDFORD, ARLINGTON AND WINCHESTER. *Chap. 45*

Resolved, That the metropolitan park commission and the commissioner of health, acting jointly, are directed to investigate the subject of protecting the banks of the Mystic lakes in the city of Medford and towns of Arlington and Winchester which are not already in public ownership, and of protecting and purifying the water supply of said lakes, and of facilitating the public use of said lakes for recreation, fishing and other purposes, and of preventing the pollution thereof and of their sources and tributaries, and to report to the next general court on or before the first Wednesday in January. All expenditures hereby authorized shall be covered by assessments upon the cities and towns of the Metropolitan parks district for the maintenance of reservations. *Approved April 10, 1917.*

Investigation as to protection, etc., of the Mystic lakes in Medford, Arlington and Winchester.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE FAMILY OF JAMES J. O'BRIEN OF BOSTON. *Chap. 46*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth for the benefit of Mary O'Brien of Boston, widow of James J. O'Brien, and her seven children, the sum of one thousand dollars in full compensation for the death of the said O'Brien who was killed, without negligence on his part, while an inmate at the state farm at Bridgewater, by reason of a fall from a ladder while working as a painter upon a state building. The said sum shall be paid to Mary O'Brien, or to a guardian appointed for the purpose, as the treasurer and receiver general may deem best. *Approved April 10, 1917.*

In favor of the family of James J. O'Brien of Boston.

Chap. 47 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY FROM INJURY BY MOTOR VEHICLES.

Investigation relative to the protection of persons, etc., from injury by motor vehicles.

Resolved, That the Massachusetts highway commission shall inquire into the subject of damages to persons and property by accidents caused by owners and operators of motor vehicles. The commission shall consider methods of protecting persons against such damage and of indemnifying persons so damaged. The commission may hold public hearings, and shall report to the general court on or before the first Wednesday of January, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and shall submit with its report such drafts of proposed legislation as it may deem expedient.

Approved April 11, 1917.

Chap. 48 RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPLACING OF THE COLORS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Replacing of colors of the department of Massachusetts G. A. R.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, for replacing the stand of colors of the department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, in season for use at its forthcoming convention to be held in Boston, in the current month, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

Approved April 11, 1917.

Chap. 49 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A CODIFICATION OF THE LAWS RELATING TO ARRESTS WITHOUT WARRANT AND THE ISSUANCE OF SEARCH WARRANTS.

Codification of laws relating to arrests without warrant and the issuance of search warrants.

Resolved, That the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws of the commonwealth, appointed under the provisions of chapter forty-three of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, are hereby authorized and directed to inquire into the state of the law relating to arrests without warrant and the issuance of search warrants, with a view to codifying, arranging and revising the several statutes relating thereto in such manner as to render the same concise, consistent and readily understood. The commissioners may give public hearings, if they deem them necessary, and shall report to the general court not later than the first Wednesday in January, in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, with drafts of such

legislation as will accomplish the aforesaid purpose, and of such supplementary legislation as the said commissioners may deem expedient.

Approved April 12, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF A SUM OF MONEY *Chap. 50*
TO HARRY C. PARKER OF CONCORD.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to Harry C. Parker of Concord, upon vouchers approved by the director of prisons, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars to reimburse him in full for expenses and obligations incurred on account of injuries received by him while in the performance of his duty at the Massachusetts reformatory.

Approved April 12, 1917.

Harry C.
Parker of
Concord.

RESOLVE TO AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF A SUM OF MONEY *Chap. 51*
TO ROMEO E. ALLEN OF SHREWSBURY.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to Romeo E. Allen of Shrewsbury the sum of one hundred dollars in reimbursement for the payment by him on behalf of the commonwealth, of one hundred dollars, under the direction of the trustees of the Worcester state asylum, to secure an option on the Herbert Sinclair farm in Grafton, on December twelfth, nineteen hundred and twelve, for purchase for the Grafton state colony.

Approved April 12, 1917.

Romeo E. Allen
of Shrewsbury.

RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH *Chap. 52*
TO INVESTIGATE THE FEASIBILITY AND COST OF DRAINING
THE MARSHES AND LOWLANDS ALONG THE NEPONSET
RIVER AND THE SHORES OF QUINCY BAY.

Resolved, That the state department of health is hereby authorized and directed to make an investigation of the feasibility and probable cost of draining and improving the low and marsh land along the lower reaches of the Neponset river and the shores of Quincy bay, to the end that the nuisance and danger of mosquitoes may be abated and the public health conserved, and to report the results of its investigation to the next general court on or before the tenth day of January, together with drafts of such bills to effect such work as the department may recommend. The department may expend in carrying out the provisions of this resolve a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Approved April 12, 1917.

Investigation
as to cost, etc.,
of draining
marshes along
Neponset river
and Quincy
bay.

Chap. 53 RESOLVE DIRECTING THE TAX COMMISSIONER TO REPORT A REVISION OF THE APPORTIONMENT OF STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Tax commissioner to report a revision of state and county taxes.

Resolved, That the tax commissioner shall, before the fifteenth day of May in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, report in print to the general court such a revision of the apportionment of state and county taxes as should justly be made in view of the provisions of chapter two hundred and ninety-nine of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, changing the mode of distributing corporation taxes among the cities and towns of the commonwealth.

Approved April 16, 1917.

Chap. 54 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A NEW STOREHOUSE AND BATH ROOM AT THE STATE PRISON.

New storehouse and bath room at the state prison.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the State Prison Industries Fund, accumulated under the provisions of section fifty-six of chapter two hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Laws, as amended by chapter six hundred and sixty-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars, to be expended by the warden, under the direction of the director of prisons, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new storehouse and bath room at the state prison.

Approved April 16, 1917.

Chap. 55 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR PLATFORM SCALES AT THE STATE PRISON.

Platform scales at the state prison.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the State Prison Industries Fund, accumulated under the provisions of section fifty-six of chapter two hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Laws, as amended by chapter six hundred and sixty-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, a sum not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars, to be expended by the warden under the direction of the director of prisons, for the purchase of platform scales, for the state prison.

Approved April 16, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION RELATIVE TO THE SEWAGE DISCHARGED INTO BOSTON HARBOR. *Chap. 56*

Resolved, That the chairman of the metropolitan water and sewerage board, the commissioner of health of the state department of health, and the commissioner of public works of the city of Boston, acting jointly, are hereby authorized and directed to investigate the matter of the pollution of Boston harbor and neighboring waters by sewage which is discharged into the harbor, and to determine whether there is any practical, economical way of removing from the sewage any merchantable products contained therein. They shall report the result of their investigations, with such recommendations as they may deem expedient, to the general court on or before the second Wednesday in January, nineteen hundred and eighteen. In carrying out the provisions of this resolve they may expend a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, one third to be levied and assessed as a part of maintenance upon the cities and towns of the metropolitan sewerage district, north system, one third upon the cities and towns of the metropolitan sewerage district, south system, and one third upon the city of Boston in the same manner as the state tax.

Investigation
of sewage dis-
charged into
Boston harbor.

Approved April 16, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE STATE ARSENAL AND CAMP GROUND AT FRAMINGHAM. *Chap. 57*

Resolved, That the chief quartermaster of the national guard is hereby authorized and directed to expend a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand dollars for the following purposes: —

Improvements
at state arsenal
and camp
ground at
Framingham.

For an addition to the state arsenal building at Framingham, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

For a fence to be erected on the border of the state camp ground at Framingham, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

Approved April 17, 1917.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THOMAS F. GILL AND ERNEST F. COLBATH OF ANDOVER, AND CHARLES STEWART, RONALD D. BEZANSON, LOUIS P. DROLET, SIDNEY G. BAILEY AND FRED SAVAGE OF TEWKSBURY. *Chap. 58*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to Thomas F. Gill, of Andover,

In favor of
Thomas F. Gill
and Ernest F.
Colbath of

Andover, and
Charles
Stewart,
Ronald D.
Bezanson, Louis
P. Drolet,
Sidney G.
Bailey and
Fred Savage
of Tewksbury.

such sum, not exceeding seventy-eight dollars, to Ernest F. Colbath, of Andover, such sum, not exceeding seventy-three dollars and seventy-five cents, to Charles Stewart, of Tewksbury, such sum, not exceeding one hundred fifty-eight dollars and fifty-five cents, to Ronald D. Bezanson, of Tewksbury, such sum, not exceeding fifteen dollars and fifty cents, to Louis P. Drolet, of Tewksbury, such sum, not exceeding one hundred sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents, to Sidney G. Bailey, of Tewksbury, such sum, not exceeding forty-three dollars and fifty cents, and to Fred Savage, of Tewksbury, such sum, not exceeding thirty-one dollars, as the superintendent and trustees of the state infirmary may determine to be equitable compensation for fire damage to their property at the state infirmary in Tewksbury, which they were unable to save by reason of their being engaged in saving the property of the commonwealth from like damage. *Approved April 23, 1917.*

Chap. 59 RESOLVE DIRECTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE MASSACHUSETTS BUREAU OF PRISONS TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER OF ESTABLISHING SCHOOLS IN COUNTY JAILS AND HOUSES OF CORRECTION.

Investigation
of matter of
establishing
schools in
county jails
and houses of
correction.

Resolved, That the board of education and the director of the Massachusetts bureau of prisons, acting jointly, are hereby directed to investigate and determine what need there is and what facilities there are for giving mental, manual, physical, military and other instruction to all prisoners in the jails and houses of correction in the several counties. The board shall report its conclusions and recommendations to the general court, on or before January twenty-third, nineteen hundred and eighteen, together with drafts of such legislation, if any, as it may deem expedient. For the purpose aforesaid, the board may expend a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Approved April 23, 1917.

Chap. 60 RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR THE RENEWAL OF AN EXISTING CONTRACT WITH LITTLE, BROWN AND COMPANY (INC.) FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

Renewal of
contract for
publication of
the decisions of
the supreme
judicial court.

Resolved, That the secretary of the commonwealth is hereby authorized to renew the contract now existing between the commonwealth and Little, Brown and Com-

pany (Inc.) for the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court for the further term of three years from the first day of July current, upon the same terms as those of the present contract except that the binding shall be of buckram instead of sheep, that the price of each volume of the decisions to be furnished to the commonwealth shall be one dollar and sixty cents per copy instead of one dollar and thirty-five cents per copy, and that the price of each volume sold to the public within the commonwealth shall be one dollar and eighty cents, instead of one dollar and fifty cents, per copy.

Approved April 24, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF *Chap. 61*
BARNSTABLE.

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Barnstable, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen:—

County tax,
Barnstable.

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding six thousand five hundred dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding one thousand one hundred dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding one thousand seven hundred dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars.

County tax,
Barnstable.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For the farm bureau, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

For hospital maintenance, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of seventy-two thousand dollars, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes. *Approved April 25, 1917.*

Chap. 62 RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF ESSEX.

County tax,
Essex.

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Essex, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen: —

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding seventy thousand nine hundred thirty-two dollars and fifty cents.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding one hundred ninety-five thousand five hundred dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding thirty-nine thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding eighty-seven thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding eighty-four thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding fifty-four thousand dollars.

For trial justices, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars. County tax, Essex.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding thirteen thousand dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding forty-seven thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding forty-two thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding two hundred six thousand eight hundred ninety-eight dollars and sixty cents.

For law libraries, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For training school, a sum not exceeding thirty-seven thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding four thousand six hundred thirty-four dollars and forty-six cents.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars.

For the maintenance of the independent agricultural school, a sum not exceeding forty-nine thousand dollars.

For the equipment of the independent agricultural school, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of eight hundred and thirty thousand dollars, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes.

Approved April 25, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF HAMPDEN. *Chap. 63*

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Hampden, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen: — County tax, Hampden.

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

County tax,
Hampden.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding fifty-eight thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding twenty-eight thousand dollars.

For trial justices, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

For law libraries, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

For training school, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding three thousand eight hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding seven thousand three hundred forty-two dollars and seventy-nine cents.

For the care and maintenance of Mount Tom state reservation, a sum not exceeding four thousand five hundred dollars.

For Hampden County Improvement League, a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand five hundred dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of three hundred and twenty thousand dollars, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes.

County tax,
Hampden.

Approved April 25, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF PLYMOUTH. *Chap. 64*

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Plymouth, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen:—

County tax,
Plymouth.

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding sixteen thousand five hundred dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding twenty-nine thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding forty-eight thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding twenty-three thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For building county buildings, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

County tax,
Plymouth.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding forty-two thousand dollars.

For the training school, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding four thousand eight hundred two dollars and forty-seven cents.

For the farm bureau, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of two hundred and ten thousand dollars, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes.

Approved April 25, 1917.

Chap. 65 RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER.

County tax,
Worcester.

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Worcester, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen: —

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding thirty-six thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding seventy-six thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding eighty-two thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

For trial justices, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars. County tax, Worcester.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding sixteen thousand dollars.

For Quinsigamond bridge, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding eighty thousand dollars.

For law libraries, a sum not exceeding five thousand five hundred dollars.

For the training school, a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For Wachusett Mountain reservation, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

For The Worcester County Farm Bureau (Incorporated), a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of four hundred and thirty-four thousand dollars, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes.

Approved April 25, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF *Chap. 66*
BERKSHIRE.

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated County tax, Berkshire. for the expenses of the county of Berkshire, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen: —

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

County tax,
Berkshire.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding four thousand five hundred dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding fifty-five thousand dollars.

For law libraries, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

For training school, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For the farm bureau, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

For a tuberculosis hospital, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars.

For the care and maintenance of Greylock state reservation, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars.

For the care and maintenance of Mount Everett state reservation, a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the

current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of one hundred ninety-five thousand nine hundred twenty-three dollars and ninety-five cents, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes.

Approved May 1, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF BRISTOL. *Chap. 67*

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Bristol, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen: — County tax,
Bristol.

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding thirty-six thousand dollars.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding sixty-one thousand dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding thirty-one thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding twenty-two thousand dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding sixty thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding one hundred and eight thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding twenty-one thousand dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding thirty-three thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding thirty-four thousand five hundred dollars.

County tax,
Bristol.

For law libraries, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

For training school, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars.

For agricultural school, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of four hundred and three thousand dollars, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes.

Approved May 1, 1917.

Chap. 68 RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF
DUKES COUNTY.

County tax,
Dukes
County.

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Dukes County, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen: —

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding two thousand two hundred dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding eight hundred and twenty-five dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding seventy dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.

County tax,
Dukes
County.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding two thousand three hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of ten thousand nine hundred thirty-seven dollars and ninety-seven cents, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes.

Approved May 1, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN. *Chap. 69*

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Franklin, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen:—

County tax,
Franklin.

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding eight thousand eight hundred dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding two thousand eight hundred dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding seven thousand three hundred dollars.

County tax,
Franklin.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding one thousand eight hundred dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding four thousand five hundred dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding eight hundred fifty-four dollars and fifty-eight cents.

For Mount Sugar Loaf reservation, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For Franklin County Farm Bureau, Inc., a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of eighty thousand dollars, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes. *Approved May 1, 1917.*

Chap. 70 RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF HAMPSHIRE.

County tax,
Hampshire.

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Hampshire, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen:—

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand five hundred dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding four thousand eight hundred dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a County tax, Hampshire. sum not exceeding fourteen thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding four thousand five hundred dollars.

For sanatorium, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding two thousand two hundred dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

For building county buildings, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

For highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding fifty-five thousand dollars.

For law libraries, a sum not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars.

For training school, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

For Mount Tom reservation, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars.

For The Hampshire County Farm Improvement Bureau Inc., a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of one hundred forty thousand seven hundred nineteen dollars and

ninety-four cents, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes. *Approved May 1, 1917.*

Chap. 71 RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF NORFOLK.

County tax,
Norfolk.

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Norfolk, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen:—

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding thirty-nine thousand dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding twenty-nine thousand dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding forty-two thousand five hundred dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding thirty-two thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding nineteen thousand five hundred dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding twenty-two thousand dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding seventy-three thousand three hundred and twenty dollars.

For the training school, a sum not exceeding four thousand five hundred dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars. County tax,
Norfolk.

For agricultural school, a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding three thousand three hundred forty-eight dollars and eighty-two cents.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of three hundred and thirty thousand dollars, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes.

Approved May 1, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE BOSTON TRANSIT COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ENTRANCE TO THE SUBWAY AT BOYLSTON STREET, IN OR NEAR PARK SQUARE.

Chap. 72

Resolved, That the Boston transit commission is hereby authorized and directed to investigate the necessity, practicability and cost of providing an incline entrance for surface cars from Columbus avenue into the subway at Boylston street in or near Park square, substantially in accordance with the provisions of the bill printed as house document number six hundred and twenty-six of the year nineteen hundred and seventeen. The commission shall report the result of its investigation, with its recommendations, to the next general court on or before the first day of February.

Investigation relative to construction of an entrance to the subway at Boylston street, in or near Park square.

Approved May 1, 1917.

RESOLVE RELATIVE TO AN INVESTIGATION BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OF THE USE OF WATER FROM IPSWICH RIVER.

Chap. 73

Resolved, That the state department of health is hereby authorized to investigate and report upon the advisability of granting to the cities and towns now having authority to take water from Ipswich river for municipal uses, authority to use the surplus flow of the said river during the months from June to November, inclusive, for water supply purposes. The department shall consider the interests of other communities and persons that may be affected by the granting of any such right, and shall consider also whether

Investigation of the use of water from Ipswich river.

it may be advantageous to authorize the various municipalities, or any two or more of them, now authorized to take water from the said river to establish joint works or to purchase water one from another. The department may give one or more hearings to all persons interested in the foregoing subjects, and shall report to the next general court, on or before the fifteenth day of January. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this resolve, the department may expend a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

Approved May 2, 1917.

Chap. 74 RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE NEW BEDFORD TEXTILE SCHOOL.

New Bedford
textile school.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to the trustees of the New Bedford textile school the sum of thirty thousand dollars, to be applied to the maintenance and operation of the said school from July first, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to July first, nineteen hundred and eighteen, in accordance with the provisions of chapter four hundred and forty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and twelve: *provided,* that no part of this sum shall be paid until satisfactory evidence has been furnished to the auditor of the commonwealth that an additional sum of ten thousand dollars has been paid to the said trustees by the city of New Bedford, or has been received by them from other sources. The city of New Bedford is hereby authorized to raise by taxation and pay to said trustees such sum of money, not exceeding ten thousand dollars, as may be necessary, together with that received from other sources, to secure the amount provided for by this resolve; and be it further

Proviso.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to the trustees of the New Bedford textile school the further sum of nine thousand three hundred and ten dollars for a new boiler, an exhaust system, apparatus for the dyeing and finishing department, and for other repairs and improvements.

Approved May 2, 1917.

Chap. 75 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE BRADFORD DURFEE TEXTILE SCHOOL OF FALL RIVER.

The Bradford
Durfee Textile
School of
Fall River.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth the sum of thirty thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the trustees of

The Bradford Durfee Textile School of Fall River, for the maintenance of the said school for the year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighteen: *provided*, that no part of this sum shall be paid until satisfactory evidence has been furnished to the auditor of the commonwealth that an additional sum of not less than ten thousand dollars has been paid to the said trustees by the city of Fall River. The city of Fall River is hereby authorized and directed to raise by taxation and pay to said trustees a sum of money, not less than ten thousand dollars, to secure the amount provided for by this resolve. *Approved May 2, 1917.*

RESOLVE CONFIRMING THE ACTS OF CHARLES WATERS PROCTOR OF NEWTON AS A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE AND NOTARY PUBLIC. Chap. 76

Resolved, That the acts of Charles Waters Proctor of Newton, formerly of Randolph, as a justice of the peace and a notary public between the first day of June in the year nineteen hundred and fifteen and the tenth day of March in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, are hereby confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if during that time he had been qualified to discharge the duties of the said offices. *Approved May 3, 1917.*

Acts of Charles Waters Proctor as justice of the peace and notary public confirmed.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF THE METHODS OF PAROLE FROM COUNTY JAILS AND HOUSES OF CORRECTION. Chap. 77

Resolved, That the commission on probation is hereby directed to inquire into the methods of release and parole from county jails and houses of correction, to examine existing laws relating to such releases and parole, to consider any proposed changes therein and in the methods of their administration, and to report the result of its investigation, together with drafts of such legislation as it may deem advisable, to the next general court on or before the second Wednesday in January. *Approved May 4, 1917.*

Investigation of methods of parole from county jails and houses of correction.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR EXHIBITIONS AND OTHER MEANS OF INCREASING PUBLIC INTEREST IN THE PROTECTION OF FISH AND GAME. Chap. 78

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the board of

Exhibitions for increasing public interest in the protection of fish and game.

commissioners on fisheries and game in holding exhibitions and in taking other measures to increase the interest of the public in the protection and propagation of fish and game.

Approved May 4, 1917.

Chap. 79 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION AS TO THE CONDITION AND THE REPAIR OF WHARVES AND WALLS ON BROAD AND LECHMERE CANALS IN THE CHARLES RIVER BASIN.

Investigation as to condition, etc., of wharves, etc., on Broad and Lechmere canals in Charles river basin.

Resolved, That the metropolitan park commission is hereby authorized and directed to investigate and report to the general court, on or before January fifteen, nineteen hundred and eighteen, as to the damage, if any, which resulted to the wharves or walls along Broad and Lechmere canals in the Charles river basin by reason of the performance, by the Charles river basin commission, of the work required of said commission by section four of chapter four hundred and sixty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and three, and also to investigate and report as to the best method and probable cost of repairing such damage, if there be any, and whether or not the commonwealth is liable for the same, and the best and most economical plan for maintaining the water in said canals and channels to the depth prescribed by said act and the probable annual cost of so maintaining the water. Before making its report, the metropolitan park commission shall give a public hearing to all parties interested, notice of which shall be given by publication at least once in a newspaper published in the city of Boston and also in a newspaper published in the city of Cambridge, and by sending notice to the owners or occupants of said wharves so far as they may be known to the said commission. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this resolve, said commission may expend a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars to be provided for by assessments upon certain cities and towns in the metropolitan parks district in accordance with the findings of the apportionment commission under authority of chapter four hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Approved May 9, 1917.

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION IN RELATION TO SENTENCES FOR FELONIES. *Chap. 80*

Resolved, That the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws of the commonwealth, appointed under the provisions of chapter forty-three of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, are hereby authorized and directed to inquire into the state of the law relating to sentences for felonies, and the place of their execution, and the advisability of making changes therein, with special reference to the questions involved in a petition now pending before the general court relating to sentences for felonies, accompanied by bill, printed as House No. 287. The commissioners shall report to the next general court on or before the second Wednesday in January.

Investigation relative to sentences for felonies.

Approved May 9, 1917.

RESOLVE FURTHER EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT. *Chap. 81*

Resolved, That the time within which the special commission on the investigation of agricultural education at the Massachusetts Agricultural College and the development of the agricultural resources of the commonwealth, appointed under chapter one hundred and six of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, is required to make its report to the general court is hereby further extended to the second Wednesday in January, nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Time extended for report on agricultural education and development.

Approved May 9, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR INSTALLING A DIRECT CONNECTED GENERATOR AT THE MASSACHUSETTS REFORMATORY. *Chap. 82*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars, to be expended by the superintendent, under the direction of the director of prisons, for installing a direct connected generator of 125 K. W. capacity at the Massachusetts reformatory.

Generator at Massachusetts reformatory.

Approved May 9, 1917.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF HENRY A. STONE OF FALL RIVER. *Chap. 83*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, an annuity of four hundred and seventy dollars to Henry A.

Henry A. Stone of Fall River.

Stone of Fall River, a veteran of the civil war who has been employed intermittently by the bureau of statistics for a period of twenty-one years, the said sum to be paid quarterly to the said Henry A. Stone so long as he shall live.

Approved May 9, 1917.

Chap. 84 RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION ON WATERWAYS AND PUBLIC LANDS TO OBTAIN DATA FOR USE IN CONSERVING AND EQUALIZING THE FLOW OF WATER IN RIVERS AND STREAMS.

Data for use in conserving and equalizing the flow of water in rivers and streams.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, to be expended under the direction of the commission on waterways and public lands, for continuing the co-operation between Massachusetts and the United States geological survey, whereby data relating to the gauging of streams and to other work of a similar character carried on by the said survey may be obtained for use by said commission in investigating the matter of conserving and equalizing the flow of water in the rivers and streams of the commonwealth, under the provisions of chapter one hundred and thirteen of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen.

Approved May 9, 1917.

Chap. 85 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE LOWELL TEXTILE SCHOOL.

Lowell textile school.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to the trustees of the Lowell textile school the sum of fifty thousand dollars for the maintenance of said school from July first, nineteen hundred and seventeen to June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighteen; the sum of sixteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars for building construction and improvements, fifteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars of which shall be used for adding a second story on Kitson hall, and the sum of one thousand dollars for school grounds, including the approaches thereto: *provided,* that no part of this sum shall be paid until satisfactory evidence has been furnished to the auditor of the commonwealth that an additional sum of ten thousand dollars has been paid to the said trustees by the city of Lowell, or has been received by them from other sources.

Proviso.

The city of Lowell is hereby authorized and directed to raise annually by taxation and pay to said trustees such a sum of money, not less than ten thousand dollars, as may be necessary to secure the amounts authorized by this resolve which may be expended to provide for evening instruction in the said school for residents of Lowell.

Approved May 10, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR THE ENTERTAINMENT OF THE *Chap. 86*
FRENCH MISSION TO THE UNITED STATES.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars, to be expended by the governor for the proper entertainment of the French Mission to the United States which will visit Boston some time during the present week, and for the expenses of such companies of the national guard as the governor may deem proper to call out for parade during their visit.

Entertainment
of the French
mission to the
United States.

Approved May 10, 1917.

RESOLVE GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR THE COUNTY OF *Chap. 87*
MIDDLESEX.

Resolved, That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the expenses of the county of Middlesex, for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen:—

County tax,
Middlesex.

For interest on county debt, a sum not exceeding twenty-eight thousand dollars.

For reduction of county debt, a sum not exceeding forty-three thousand dollars.

For salaries of county officers and assistants, fixed by law, a sum not exceeding forty-three thousand dollars.

For clerical assistance in county offices, a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

For salaries and expenses of district and police courts, a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

For salaries of jailers, masters and assistants, and support of prisoners in jails and houses of correction, a sum not exceeding one hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

For criminal costs in the superior court, a sum not exceeding seventy thousand dollars.

For civil expenses in the supreme judicial and superior courts, a sum not exceeding ninety thousand dollars.

County tax,
Middlesex.

For trial justices, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars.

For transportation expenses of county and associate commissioners, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

For medical examiners, inquests, and commitments of the insane, a sum not exceeding twenty-six thousand dollars.

For auditors, masters and referees, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

For repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings, a sum not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars.

For fuel, lights and supplies in county buildings, other than jails and houses of correction, and for care of the same, a sum not exceeding seventy-eight thousand dollars.

For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages, a sum not exceeding one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

For law libraries, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

For training school, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

For the farm bureau, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous and contingent expenses of the current year, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For pensions, a sum not exceeding thirteen thousand dollars.

And the county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of eight hundred twenty-seven thousand four hundred fifteen dollars and forty-five cents, to be expended, together with the cash balance on hand and the receipts from other sources, for the above purposes. *Approved May 14, 1917.*

Chap. 88 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Improvements
at the indus-
trial school
for boys.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding three thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to be expended, under the direction of the trustees of Massachusetts training schools, at the industrial school for boys, for the following purposes:— For relocating and renovating a

Shaker cottage, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred and forty-five dollars; and for remodeling the electric distributing system, a sum not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars.

Approved May 14, 1917.

RESOLVE TO AUTHORIZE THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION TO CONSTRUCT GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ALONG THE WESTERLY ROADWAY OF MIDDLESEX FELLS PARKWAY IN SOMERVILLE. *Chap. 89*

Resolved, That the metropolitan park commission is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, to be assessed upon the cities and towns comprising the metropolitan parks district, for the construction of granolithic sidewalks along the westerly roadway of Middlesex Fells parkway, formerly called Chauncey avenue, in the city of Somerville.

Granolithic sidewalks in Middlesex Fells parkway, Somerville.

Approved May 14, 1917.

RESOLVE DIRECTING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO MAKE EXAMINATION OF DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLIES OWNED BY INDIVIDUALS. *Chap. 90*

Resolved, That the state department of health is hereby authorized to make sanitary examination of waters used for domestic purposes and obtained from other than public water supplies, including a chemical and bacterial analysis where that is necessary. The department is also directed to advise as to the situation of new domestic water supplies and the protection of established domestic supplies, owned by individuals, in a manner similar to that now employed in the examination of public water supplies. The department shall report to the next general court on or before the second Wednesday in January the result of its examinations made hereunder, and shall include in the report any recommendations which it may deem expedient for the improvement of domestic water supplies in cities, towns and districts not supplied with water from public works, with an estimate of the probable cost of carrying out such recommendations, and with drafts of any legislation that may be necessary therefor. The department may expend a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars in carrying out the provisions of this resolve.

Examination of domestic water supplies owned by individuals.

Approved May 14, 1917.

Chap. 91 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE
LYMAN SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Improvements
at Lyman
school for boys.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to be expended under the direction of the trustees of Massachusetts training schools, at the Lyman school for boys for the extension and repair of a cow barn.

Approved May 14, 1917.

Chap. 92 RESOLVE DIRECTING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
TO REPORT A PLAN FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF HALE'S
BROOK IN THE CITY OF LOWELL.

Investigation
of improve-
ment of Hale's
brook, Lowell.

Resolved, That the state department of health is hereby authorized and directed to make such investigation and surveys as it may deem necessary of the channel of Hale's brook in the city of Lowell above the point where the water of the Concord river is emptied into said Hale's brook through the Wamesit canal and to prepare a plan showing the best practicable method of improving the channel of said brook and removing the unsightly and objectionable appearance and condition of the said stream in the city of Lowell, which shall include a plan for a sewer or sewers to remove its pollution. The said department shall have access to all plans and specifications relative to the sewerage system of the city of Lowell, and to all lands and buildings along said brook for the purpose of making the investigation and surveys aforesaid.

The department shall report to the next general court not later than the tenth day of January, and may expend for the purposes of this resolve a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars. The treasurer and receiver general is hereby authorized and directed to assess the expenses incurred hereunder upon the city of Lowell, in addition to any assessments made as a state tax.

Approved May 16, 1917.

Chap. 93 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE
STATE FARM.

Improvements
at state farm.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the purpose of providing additional coal dumping facilities

at the state farm, and under the direction of the trustees thereof, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Approved May 16, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE WESTBOROUGH STATE HOSPITAL. Chap. 94

Resolved, That in addition to the appropriation made for carrying out the provisions of chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, there may be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the sum of six thousand dollars, to be expended at the Westborough state hospital, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for the purpose of renovating female wards one and two, and for the extension of the water main at the said hospital, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

Improvements at Westborough state hospital.

Approved May 16, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SHREWSBURY COLONY OF THE WORCESTER STATE HOSPITAL. Chap. 95

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the sum of eleven thousand three hundred and eighty-five dollars, to be expended for a water supply at the Shrewsbury colony of the Worcester state hospital, under the direction and with the approval of the commission on mental diseases.

Water supply for the Shrewsbury colony of the Worcester state hospital.

Approved May 16, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MEDFIELD STATE HOSPITAL. Chap. 96

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the sum of twenty-four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, to be expended at the Medfield state hospital, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for repairing and enlarging sewage filter beds.

Improvements at Medfield state hospital.

Approved May 16, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPLETION OF A VACUUM SYSTEM AT THE NORTHAMPTON STATE HOSPITAL. Chap. 97

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the

Vacuum system at the Northampton state hospital.

sum of one thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars, to be expended at the Northampton state hospital, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for the completion of a vacuum system.

Approved May 16, 1917.

Chap. 98 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF LAND AND FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE WRENTHAM STATE SCHOOL.

Purchase of land, etc., for the Wrentham state school.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the sum of ten thousand dollars, to be expended at the Wrentham state school, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for the following purposes:— For the purchase of the Wood estate, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars; and for an addition to the dormitory, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

Approved May 16, 1917.

Chap. 99 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL LAND AND FOR LAUNDRY EQUIPMENT FOR THE GARDNER STATE COLONY.

Purchase of land, etc., at Gardner state colony.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the sum of eight thousand five hundred dollars to be expended, at the Gardner state colony, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for the following purposes:— For the purchase of land, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars; and for laundry equipment, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Approved May 16, 1917.

Chap. 100 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT FOR THE MONSON STATE HOSPITAL.

Purchase of equipment for Monson state hospital.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the sum of five thousand six hundred and five dollars, to be expended at the Monson state hospital, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for the purchase of electrical equipment.

Approved May 16, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN EMERGENCY EXPENSES IN PREPARING FOR THE EXIGENCIES OF ANTICIPATED WAR. *Chap.101*

Resolved, That certain expenses, to an amount not exceeding six thousand dollars, incurred prior to March nineteenth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, under the direction of the governor as commander-in-chief, in preparation for the exigencies of anticipated war, may, with the approval of the executive council, be paid and charged to the appropriation provided by chapter two hundred and two of the Special Acts of the present year. *Approved May 16, 1917.*

Emergency expenses in preparing for the exigencies of anticipated war.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE ADVISABILITY OF AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE LAW RELATING TO DOGS. *Chap.102*

Resolved, That a commission, which shall be composed of the secretary of the state board of agriculture, the chairman of the board of commissioners on fisheries and game and an assistant attorney-general, to be designated by the attorney-general, and a fourth person, familiar with the operation of the dog-laws in cities who shall serve without compensation, and shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, is hereby constituted for the purpose of inquiring into the advisability of amending or supplementing the laws relating to dogs. Especially shall it consider the advisability of enacting further legislation for the protection from dogs of domestic animals, especially sheep, and also game. The commission shall report to the general court, after holding such public hearings as it may deem necessary, not later than the second Wednesday in January, nineteen hundred and eighteen, with drafts of such legislation, if any, as it may deem expedient.

Investigation of the advisability of amending, etc., the law relating to dogs.

Approved May 16, 1917.

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR SEWAGE FILTRATION BEDS AT THE WESTFIELD STATE SANATORIUM. *Chap.103*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, to be expended at the Westfield state sanatorium by the trustees of hospitals for consumptives, a sum not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars to provide for new sewage filtration beds.

Sewage filtration beds at Westfield state sanatorium.

Approved May 18, 1917.

Chap.104 RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL SCHOOL.

Improvements at the Massachusetts hospital school.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the trustees of the Massachusetts hospital school, for an addition to and alterations in the administration building at the said institution, and for furnishing the said addition and also the addition erected under the provisions of chapter one hundred and nineteen of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Approved May 18, 1917.

Chap.105 RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE AID AND PENSIONS TO REIMBURSE THE TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE BURIAL OF A CERTAIN VETERAN OF THE SPANISH WAR.

Reimbursing town of Southbridge for certain expenses.

Resolved, That the commissioner of state aid and pensions is hereby directed to reimburse the town of Southbridge, from the appropriation for the reimbursement of state and military aid to cities and towns, in the sum of thirty-eight dollars, for the burial expenses of John F. Blute, late of Southbridge, a veteran of the Spanish war, and a member of the eighteenth company of the United States marine corps, who died on the third day of October in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Approved May 18, 1917.

Chap.106 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT RELATIVE TO THE PENSIONS AND ANNUITIES OF EMPLOYEES WHO RECEIVE BOARD OR LODGING AS A PART OF THEIR COMPENSATION.

Investigation relative to pensions, etc., of certain employees.

Resolved, That the board of retirement is hereby authorized and directed to make an investigation and to report to the next general court as to a basis for determining the value of board, lodging, and other considerations which are a part of the compensation of certain employees in the institutions of the commonwealth, with drafts of such legislation, if any, relating to the said subject, as the board may deem expedient.

Approved May 18, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE HATCHERIES
UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ON FISHERIES AND GAME. *Chap.107*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars, to be expended under the direction of the board of commissioners on fisheries and game, for the following purposes: —

Improvements
at certain
fish and game
hatcheries.

For an addition to the superintendent's house at the Martha's Vineyard reservation, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars; for additions to and repairs in the superintendent's house at the hatchery at Palmer, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars; and for the construction of a barn at the Wilbraham game farm, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, the same to be in addition to the expenditures authorized by chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the resolves of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Approved May 18, 1917.

RESOLVE RELATIVE TO COMPENSATING CAROLINE L. HOWARD
FOR DAMAGES SUSTAINED BY THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SEA
WALL IN THE TOWN OF HULL. *Chap.108*

Resolved, That the commission on waterways and public lands be authorized to pay to Caroline L. Howard the amount of any damage to her property, which it finds that she sustained by reason of the construction of a sea wall in the town of Hull between Gun Rock, so-called, and Green Hill, so-called, upon her giving such releases and conveyances to the commonwealth as the commission may require.

Caroline L.
Howard.

Approved May 18, 1917.

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN RELATIVE
TO THE BRIDGE OVER THE CONNECTICUT RIVER IN THE
TOWNS OF GREENFIELD AND MONTAGUE. *Chap.109*

Resolved, That the county commissioners of the county of Franklin are hereby authorized and directed to investigate the question of reconstructing the bridge over the Connecticut river between the towns of Greenfield and Montague, to make surveys, plans and estimates therefor, and to report to the next general court, on or before the second

Investigation
relative to
bridge over
Connecticut
river in Green-
field and
Montague.

Saturday in January, nineteen hundred and eighteen, with copies of the plans and estimates, and with such recommendations as they may deem proper. For the purpose aforesaid the said commissioners are hereby authorized to borrow on the credit of the county, a sum or sums not exceeding three thousand dollars, for a term not exceeding one year. As soon as the work hereby authorized is completed, the said commissioners shall certify to the treasurers of the towns of Greenfield and Montague the sum expended by them under authority hereof, and within thirty days thereafter the said towns shall each pay into the treasury of the county of Franklin twenty per cent of said expense, and if either of the said towns neglects or refuses to pay its proportion, the said commissioners shall, after due notice to the delinquent town, issue a warrant for its proportion, with interest and the costs of notice and warrant, and the same shall be collected and paid into the treasury of the said county to be applied in payment of the expense aforesaid.

Approved May 21, 1917.

Chap. 110 RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CONVEY TO TILLIE FRIEDMAN CERTAIN LAND IN THE BRIGHTON DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Conveying to Tillie Friedman certain land in Brighton district, Boston.

Resolved, That the board of education, or a majority thereof, in behalf of the commonwealth, is hereby authorized to convey in fee to Tillie Friedman so much of the land belonging to the commonwealth lying between Warren and Washington streets and Commonwealth avenue in that part of the city of Boston known as Brighton, and adjoining land of said Tillie Friedman, not exceeding ten thousand square feet, as the board may deem necessary to straighten and readjust the line of ownership between the commonwealth and the said Tillie Friedman. The conveyance shall be made upon consideration of a similar conveyance from the said Tillie Friedman to the commonwealth of an area equal to that conveyed by the commonwealth under authority of this resolve and upon such other terms and conditions, not involving any expense or obligation on the part of the commonwealth, as said board may determine.

Approved May 23, 1917.

RESOLVE TO AUTHORIZE THE PUBLICATION OF THE OPINIONS *Chap.111*
OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Resolved, That the attorney-general is hereby authorized to collect and publish in a volume properly indexed and digested such of the official opinions heretofore published as an appendix to the annual reports of the attorney-general during the years nineteen hundred and thirteen to nineteen hundred and sixteen, inclusive, as he may deem to be of public interest or useful for reference. Two hundred copies may be distributed under the direction of the attorney-general, one copy shall be sent to each member and officer of the general court for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen and to each public library and law library in the commonwealth, and the remainder may be sold or otherwise disposed of at the discretion of the secretary of the commonwealth. A sum not exceeding thirty-eight hundred dollars may be expended in carrying out the provisions of this resolve.

Publication
of the opinions
of the attorney-
general.

Approved May 23, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A SURVEY BY THE MASSACHUSETTS *Chap.112*
HIGHWAY COMMISSION OF A ROAD ALONG THE SHORES OF
SALEM HARBOR IN THE CITY OF SALEM AND TOWN OF
MARBLEHEAD.

Resolved, That the Massachusetts highway commission is hereby authorized and directed to make a survey of a shore road along the shores of Salem harbor beginning on the northerly side of Palmer's cove, and continuing in a general southerly direction to a point on Lafayette street near the Salem-Marblehead line, and thence by the most practical route in the town of Marblehead to connect with the existing state highway from Swampscott to Salem, and to report to the next general court on or before the second Wednesday of January, together with plans and estimates of cost. For this purpose the said commissioners are hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Survey of road
along the shores
of Salem
harbor in
Salem and
Marblehead.

Approved May 23, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF THE CLAIM *Chap.113*
OF FREEMAN O. EMERSON FOR COMPENSATION FOR A
HORSE KILLED WHILE IN USE BY THE MILITIA.

Resolved, That under the direction of the adjutant general, the military board on horse claims is hereby authorized to

Investigation
of claim of
Freeman O.
Emerson.

consider the claim of Freeman O. Emerson of Boston for the loss in July, nineteen hundred and fifteen, of his horse and to determine, and approve the payment of, whatever compensation, if any, he is justly entitled to receive, not exceeding the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

Approved May 23, 1917.

Chap.114 RESOLVE RELATIVE TO THE PAYMENT BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF A SUM OF MONEY TO JACOB LANDER AND HARRIS LANDER.

Jacob Lander
and Harris
Lander.

Resolved, That the metropolitan water and sewerage board be authorized to investigate the claim of Jacob Lander and Harris Lander of Sherborn for damage to their property at Saxonville in the town of Framingham by reason of water escaping or released from a reservoir under the control of the metropolitan water and sewerage board, and to report to the next general court on or before the second Wednesday in January what compensation, if any, should justly be paid to them.

Approved May 24, 1917.

Chap.115 RESOLVE CONFIRMING THE ACTS OF SARAH A. GALLAGHER OF BOSTON AS A SPECIAL COMMISSIONER.

Acts of
Sarah A. Gal-
lagher as a
special com-
missioner
confirmed.

Resolved, That the acts of Sarah A. Gallagher of Boston as a special commissioner, between the fifth day of July in the year nineteen hundred and twelve and the thirtieth day of April in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, are hereby confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if during that time she had been qualified to discharge the duties of the said office.

Approved May 24, 1917.

Chap.116 RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

Improvements
at industrial
school for girls.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding sixty-three hundred dollars be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, to be expended under the direction of the trustees of Massachusetts training schools, at the industrial school for girls, for the following purposes: — For an extension of the piggery, a sum not exceeding seven hundred dollars; for sidewalks, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars; for cleaning the reservoir and protecting the watershed for the reservoir, and for the purchase of a narrow strip of land with springs, in order to protect the drinking water at the institution, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred

dollars; for a steam heating system for Putnam cottage, additional radiation for the administration building, and for the transfer of a boiler from the chapel to the administration building, a sum not exceeding thirty-six hundred dollars.

Approved May 24, 1917.

RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION RELATIVE TO THE RECONSTRUCTION OF FURNACE BROOK PARKWAY IN THE CITY OF QUINCY. Chap.117

Resolved, That the metropolitan park commission is hereby directed to investigate the advisability of extending Furnace Brook parkway, from Hancock street to the westerly side of Adams street in the city of Quincy and of resurfacing said parkway from Hancock street in said city to the Quincy shore reservation, together with the cost thereof, and to report its recommendations and estimates to the next general court on or before the second Wednesday in January.

Investigation relative to reconstruction of Furnace Brook parkway, Quincy.

Approved May 24, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION RELATIVE TO A STATE NORMAL SCHOOL IN THE SOUTHEASTERN PART OF THE COMMONWEALTH. Chap.118

Resolved, That the board of education shall make an investigation as to the need of a state normal school in the southeastern district of Massachusetts, and if the board deems it advisable to establish the same, it shall cause to be prepared an estimate of the cost of construction, which shall be submitted to the next general court not later than the second Wednesday in January. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this resolve, the said board is authorized to expend a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Investigation as to need of state normal school in southeastern part of commonwealth.

Approved May 24, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN BRIDGES OVER THE CHARLES RIVER. Chap.119

Resolved, That the metropolitan park commission shall investigate the condition of the bridges over Charles river within the metropolitan parks district, and the necessity or desirability of reconstructing any of them. It shall prepare recommendations as to the type, style and strength of any new bridge which it finds to be necessary or desirable, and

Investigation as to construction, etc., of certain bridges over the Charles river.

shall, also, present a plan for the proper distribution and apportionment of the cost of construction, reconstruction and maintenance of all bridges and approaches thereto hereafter to be constructed, and of the cost of maintenance of all existing bridges over Charles river in said district among the cities and towns which it finds to be benefited by the said bridges. It shall report to the next general court not later than the second Wednesday in January. For the expense of advertising hearings, collection of statistics as to the public use of the bridges, and such other expenses as may be incurred hereunder, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars may be expended to be provided for by assessments upon certain cities and towns in the metropolitan parks district in accordance with the findings of the apportionment commission under authority of chapter four hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Approved May 24, 1917.

Chap.120 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY COMMISSION RELATIVE TO A STATE HIGHWAY FROM BOSTON, THROUGH MILTON, QUINCY, BRAINTREE AND HOLBROOK, TO BROCKTON.

Investigation relative to state highway from Boston to Brockton, etc.

Resolved, That the Massachusetts highway commission is hereby authorized and directed to inquire into the expediency of constructing a state highway connecting Boston and Brockton, via Granite avenue, Milton, Willard street in Quincy, and thence through Braintree and Holbrook to Brockton, and to report the result of its investigation, with such recommendations as it may deem advisable, to the next general court, on or before the second Wednesday in January.

Approved May 24, 1917.

Chap.121 RESOLVE TO CONFIRM THE ACTS OF THOMAS W. GREENALL AS A NOTARY PUBLIC.

Acts of Thomas W. Greenall as notary public confirmed.

Resolved, That the acts of Thomas W. Greenall as a notary public, between the twenty-sixth day of January and the third day of May, nineteen hundred and seventeen, are hereby confirmed and made valid, to the same extent as if during that time he had been qualified to discharge the duties of the said office.

Approved May 24, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS AT THE BOSTON STATE HOSPITAL. *Chap.122*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the sum of eighty-nine thousand eight hundred and thirty-two dollars, to be expended at the Boston state hospital, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for the following purposes: —

Improvements
at Boston
state hospital.

For the construction and furnishing of a nurses' home, west group, to accommodate eighty-four nurses, a sum not exceeding seventy thousand dollars.

For constructing interior fire escapes, a sum not exceeding two thousand eight hundred and thirty-two dollars.

For purchasing one boiler, a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars.

For alterations in the north wing of the Fisher building, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Approved May 24, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE GRAFTON STATE HOSPITAL. *Chap.123*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, a sum not exceeding one hundred eight thousand one hundred and seventy-eight dollars, to be expended for the Grafton state hospital, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for the following purposes: — For the installation of refrigerating apparatus in the storehouse, at Grafton, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars; for fire protection and fire escapes, a sum not exceeding six thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars; for laundry machinery, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars; for remodeling the heating plant in the Summer street, Worcester department, a sum not exceeding eighty-nine thousand three hundred and three dollars.

Improvements
at Grafton
state hospital.

Approved May 24, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE FOXBOROUGH STATE HOSPITAL. *Chap.124*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, the sum of one hundred eighty-one thousand five hundred dol-

Improvements
at Foxborough
state hospital.

lars, to be expended at the Foxborough state hospital, under the direction of the commission on mental diseases, for the following purposes:—

For constructing and furnishing a central service building, a sum not exceeding one hundred and sixty-four thousand dollars.

For constructing sewage filter beds, a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand five hundred dollars.

Approved May 24, 1917.

Chap.125 RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF THE MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND.

Investigation of the workings of the Massachusetts commission for the blind.

Resolved, That the supervisor of administration be directed to investigate the workings of the Massachusetts commission for the blind with a view to ascertaining what changes are necessary in order to insure a more comprehensive and efficient handling of the problems committed to said commission. He shall study all the different phases of the work of said commission, including the industrial work, and the methods employed, and shall have access to the records, papers, and correspondence of the commission. The supervisor shall report to the next general court on or before the second Wednesday in January, with such recommendations as he may deem expedient.

Approved May 25, 1917.

Chap.126 RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE MARKET GARDEN FIELD STATION AT LEXINGTON.

Improvement of market garden field station at Lexington.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction and with the approval of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, for the following purposes at the market garden field station at Lexington:— For building a barn, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars; for additional equipment, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars; and for the maintenance of said station, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Approved May 25, 1917.

Chap.127 RESOLVE RELATIVE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPOSED SCHOOL FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED ON LAND OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN BELCHERTOWN.

Development of proposed school for the

Resolved, That the expenditures authorized and defined by chapter one hundred and sixty of the resolves of the year

nineteen hundred and sixteen for the proposed school for the feeble-minded on land of the commonwealth at Belchertown, may be modified and changed by the commission on mental diseases, with the approval of the governor and council, by eliminating items and by increasing, decreasing or dividing other items in any way that may be deemed advisable after a plan for the development of the school has been approved: *provided*, that the appropriation made to carry out the purposes of said chapter one hundred and sixty is not exceeded. The commission on mental diseases is hereby authorized and directed to utilize, so far as possible, the labor of patients under the control of the trustees of the Wrentham state school, and the said trustees are hereby authorized to transfer so many boys from the state school to the town of Belchertown as the commission on mental diseases may deem expedient, notwithstanding a similar provision in said chapter one hundred and sixty providing for transfers from the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

feeble-minded
in Belchertown.

Proviso.

Approved May 25, 1917.

RESOLVE RELATIVE TO THE STATE PRINTING.

Chap. 128

Resolved, That the attorney-general, the secretary of the commonwealth, the treasurer and receiver general, the auditor of the commonwealth, the supervisor of administration, the clerk of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives are hereby directed to advertise for proposals for the execution of all the printing and binding for the several departments of the government of the commonwealth, except office stationery and blank books without printed headings, for a term of one, three or five years from the first day of July in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen. They shall take into consideration the circumstances and facilities of the several bidders for the work as well as the terms offered; they may reject any bids received, and they shall award the contract, to be based upon a working day of eight hours for each week day, except that on Saturday the working day shall consist of four hours unless in the judgment of the official having supervision of the state printing, legislative or ballot work shall require a full day of eight hours, and equal pay for equal work performed by men and women, at such rates as they shall decide to be equitable between employer and employed, and to such bidder as in their judgment the interests of the commonwealth may require, and they

State printing
contract.

shall execute the contract in the name and behalf of the commonwealth. Bonds satisfactory to the said officers, to an amount not less than ten thousand dollars, shall be given by the party to whom the contract is awarded, to secure the faithful performance of the contract.

Approved May 25, 1917.

Chap. 129 RESOLVE TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION OF PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE STREET RAILWAYS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Investigation
of problems
relating to the
street railways
of the common-
wealth.

Resolved, That a special commission, to consist of three members of the senate, to be appointed by the president, six members of the house of representatives, to be appointed by the speaker, and two persons, not members of the general court, to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, shall sit during the recess of the general court to investigate and study the various problems relating to the control, supervision, regulation, ownership, operation, taxation, capitalization, finance, management and development of street railways in this commonwealth, and to the powers, duties and liabilities of street railway companies. The commission shall be known as the street railway investigation commission, and shall especially consider the following matters:— the development of street railways in such manner as to provide for the cheaper and quicker conveyance of food, including milk, from the country to the city, and of freight to and from the various railroad stations and wharves; the construction of street railways in parts of the state not now served by street railways or other means of transportation; the use of motor vehicles by street railway companies as feeders, or otherwise; the granting of authority to cities and towns to invest in the securities of street railway companies, or otherwise to render financial assistance to such companies; the ownership or operation of street railways by the commonwealth, or by cities and towns; amendments of the law relative to the obligations of street railway companies in respect to the paving of streets and the maintenance and repair of ways and bridges in or on which street railways are operated; the sale of commutation tickets for transportation by street railways; and the taxation of street railway companies. The commission hereby provided for shall be furnished with a room in the state house, and shall have the services of a clerk. The com-

mission shall give such public hearings, and in such places, as it may deem expedient, may administer oaths, may require the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and documents, may be allowed such sums for expenses necessarily incurred and shall receive such compensation as shall be approved by the governor and council. The commission shall report to the next general court, not later than the second Wednesday in January, with drafts of such legislation as it may deem expedient. *Approved May 25, 1917.*

RESOLVE AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A SPECIAL *Chap.130*
COMMISSION ON SOCIAL INSURANCE.

Resolved, That a special commission to be known as the Commission on Social Insurance composed of three members of the senate to be appointed by the president, six members of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker, and two other members to be appointed by the governor, shall sit during the recess of the general court for the purpose of further investigating the extent to which poverty occasioned by sickness may be alleviated, medical care for wage-earners and others of limited means may be provided, and measures to prevent disease may be promoted, by insurance. The commission shall undertake such investigations as to the health of wage-earners and the conditions under which they work, and as to existing systems of mutual, stock, fraternal, state, and other forms of insurance in this commonwealth and elsewhere as may be necessary to provide a sound basis for its recommendations, and shall submit a report, including drafts of any legislation which it may recommend, to the next general court, not later than the fifteenth day of January. The state department of health, the bureau of statistics, and the insurance department are hereby directed to co-operate with the commission and render such assistance as is compatible with the proper discharge of their respective duties. The commission shall have power to elect a chairman, secretary and other officers, to appoint sub-committees, and to employ assistance, clerical, expert or otherwise, as may be necessary. The commission shall have a room in the state house assigned for its use, and shall hold such public hearings as it may deem necessary, with the same powers to summon and examine witnesses as are conferred upon city councils and other bodies by the provisions of sections eight and nine of chapter one hundred

Appointment
of special com-
mission on
social insurance.

and seventy-five of the Revised Laws. The commission shall receive such sums for assistance, travel and other expenses, and for the compensation of its members, as shall be allowed by the governor and council.

Approved May 25, 1917.

*Chap.*131

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF JOHN E. VOGEL OF BEVERLY.

John E. Vogel.

Resolved, That the industrial accident board is hereby authorized and directed to consider the claim of John E. Vogel of Beverly, who was seriously injured in the performance of his duties as a member of battery F, first field artillery, Massachusetts national guard, on June twenty-second, nineteen hundred and sixteen, as a valid claim for adjudication under the provisions of chapter seven hundred and fifty-one of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven, known as the Workmen's Compensation Act, and acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, in effect as of said date, to make an agreement in regard to compensation and medical and hospital expenses, on behalf of the commonwealth, with the said John E. Vogel, under the provisions of the said acts; and that upon the filing of said agreement with the auditor of the commonwealth there shall be paid to the said John E. Vogel such payments as may be due thereunder, the same to be continued on a weekly basis in accordance with the provisions of the said acts.

Approved May 25, 1917.

*Chap.*132

RESOLVE PROVIDING FURTHER FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth to the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College the sum of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars for additional maintenance for the year ending on the thirtieth day of November next.

Approved May 25, 1917.

*Chap.*133

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY AND DISBURSING OFFICER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Expenses in
the office of
the property
and disbursing
officer of the
national guard.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, to be expended under the direction and with the approval of the adjutant general, the following

sums for expenses in the office of the national guard property and disbursing officer: —

For salaries of clerks and stenographers, fifteen hundred dollars; and for office supplies and expenses, three hundred dollars.

Approved May 25, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE POWER PLANT AT THE MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE. Chap.134

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars to be expended for the following purposes in making alterations and improvements in the power plant at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, namely: for alteration of the power plant building, especially for raising and remodeling the roof of the boiler house; for a new boiler and setting; for an air flue and ash ejector; for a stack, stack flue and connections; for a feed pump and accessories; for changing and relocating piping; and for testing apparatus: *provided, however*, that all bills chargeable to the expenditure hereby authorized shall be paid by the treasurer of the commonwealth only upon proper vouchers filed with and approved by the auditor of the commonwealth.

Improvements in the power plant at the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Proviso.

Approved May 25, 1917.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE. Chap.135

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth, to be expended at the Massachusetts Agricultural College under direction of the board of trustees, a sum not exceeding thirty-three thousand five hundred dollars for improvements and equipment in the several departments of the college and at the agricultural experiment station as follows: president's office, three hundred and fifty dollars; dean's office, sixty dollars; operation and maintenance, five thousand and fifty dollars; treasurer's department, six hundred and twenty dollars; farm, sixteen hundred and eighty dollars; Stockbridge hall, thirteen hundred and ninety dollars; animal husbandry, six hundred and fifty dollars; agronomy, two hundred and forty dollars; dairying, four hundred and seventy-five dollars; poultry husbandry, eleven hundred and eighty dollars; rural engineering, one thousand dollars; general horticulture, three hundred

Improvements at the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Same subject.

dollars; grounds, fifteen hundred dollars; landscape gardening, four hundred dollars; floriculture, eight hundred and fifty dollars; forestry department, including improvements to buildings on the Mount Toby reservation, twenty-seven hundred and fifty dollars; market gardening, six hundred dollars; pomology, nineteen hundred and fifty dollars; bee-keeping, fifty dollars; botany, thirty-three hundred and fifty dollars; chemistry, four hundred and fifty dollars; mathematics, one hundred and eighty dollars; microbiology, seventeen hundred and fifty dollars; military and physical education, five hundred dollars; physics, four hundred dollars; agricultural economics, one hundred and twenty-five dollars; languages and literature, one hundred and fifty dollars; veterinary science, two hundred dollars; zoölogy and geology, one hundred dollars; infirmary, one hundred and fifty dollars; agricultural experiment station, eight hundred dollars; painting buildings, seventeen hundred and fifty dollars; miscellaneous and emergency items, twenty-five hundred dol-

Provisos.

lars: *provided*, that all bills chargeable to the expenditures hereby authorized shall be paid by the treasurer of the commonwealth after proper vouchers have been filed with and approved by the auditor of the commonwealth; and *provided, further*, that transfers and readjustments may be made between the several items of expense of this resolve by the trustees of the college with the approval of the supervisor of administration.

Approved May 25, 1917.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, BOSTON, September 10, 1917.

I certify that the special acts and resolves contained in this volume passed at the regular session of the present year are true copies of the originals on file in this office.

ALBERT P. LANGTRY,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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