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CHAPTER I.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NEW APPORTIONMENT FOR THE ASSESSMENT
OF PUBLIC TAXES.

SECTION

1. New apportionment established.

SECTION

2. To continue until another apportionment.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. That of every thousand dollars of public taxes here-
after to be raised, the proportion which each town and place shall
pay, and for which the treasurer of the state is hereby authorized
to issue his warrant, shall be as follows, to wit:

Rockingham County, \$106.69.

Atkinson, eighty-seven cents.....	\$0.87
Auburn, one dollar and seventy-two cents.....	1.72
Brentwood, one dollar and six cents.....	1.06
Candia, one dollar and sixty-one cents.....	1.61
Chester, one dollar and seventy-two cents.....	1.72
Danville, seventy-one cents.....	.71
Deerfield, one dollar and sixty-eight cents.....	1.68

Derry, nine dollars and fifty-three cents.....	\$9.53
East Kingston, sixty-nine cents.....	.69
Epping, two dollars and seven cents.....	2.07
Exeter, ten dollars and thirty-five cents.....	10.35
Fremont, one dollar and nineteen cents.....	1.19
Greenland, one dollar and twenty-six cents.....	1.26
Hampstead, one dollar and twenty-two cents.....	1.22
Hampton, four dollars and fifty-four cents.....	4.54
Hampton Falls, one dollar and twenty-four cents.....	1.24
Kensington, sixty-eight cents.....	.68
Kingston, one dollar and forty-seven cents.....	1.47
Londonderry, two dollars and sixty-five cents.....	2.65
Newcastle, one dollar and eight cents.....	1.08
Newfields, sixty-five cents.....	.65
Newington, ninety-six cents.....	.96
Newmarket, four dollars and one cent.....	4.01
Newton, one dollar and seven cents.....	1.07
North Hampton, two dollars and ninety-three cents....	2.93
Northwood, one dollar and seventy-four cents.....	1.74
Nottingham, one dollar and fifty-four cents.....	1.54
Plaistow, one dollar and forty-seven cents.....	1.47
Portsmouth, twenty-nine dollars and ninety-eight cents	29.98
Raymond, two dollars and fourteen cents.....	2.14
Rye, three dollars and eighty-four cents.....	3.84
Salem, four dollars and twenty-four cents.....	4.24
Sandown, forty-nine cents.....	.49
Seabrook, ninety-five cents.....	.95
South Hampton, forty-six cents.....	.46
Stratham, one dollar and nineteen cents.....	1.19
Windham, one dollar and sixty-nine cents.....	1.69

Strafford County, \$80.63.

Barrington, one dollar and fifty-four cents.....	\$1.54
Dover, thirty dollars and thirty-five cents.....	30.35
Durham, one dollar and seventy-two cents.....	1.72
Farmington, four dollars and fifty cents.....	4.50
Lee, one dollar.....	1.00
Madbury, eighty-seven cents.....	.87
Middleton, twenty-nine cents.....	.29
Milton, three dollars and seventy-five cents.....	3.75
New Durham, eighty-nine cents.....	.89
Rochester, seventeen dollars and sixty-three cents.....	17.63
Rollinsford, three dollars and fifty-two cents.....	3.52
Somersworth, thirteen dollars and five cents.....	13.05
Strafford, one dollar and fifty-two cents.....	1.52

Belknap County, \$50.33.

Alton, three dollars and forty cents.....	\$3.40
Barnstead, two dollars and seven cents.....	2.07
Belmont, two dollars and twenty-six cents.....	2.26
Center Harbor, one dollar and fifty-seven cents.....	1.57
Gilford, two dollars and fifteen cents.....	2.15
Gilmanton, one dollar and fifty-one cents.....	1.51
Laconia, twenty-three dollars and ninety-two cents....	23.92
Meredith, four dollars and thirty-one cents.....	4.31
New Hampton, one dollar and forty-three cents.....	1.43
Sanbornton, one dollar and ninety-four cents.....	1.94
Tilton, five dollars and seventy-seven cents.....	5.77

Carroll County, \$36.00.

Albany, eighty cents.....	\$0.80
Bartlett, one dollar and seventy-five cents.....	1.75
Brookfield, fifty-six cents.....	.56
Chatham, forty-four cents.....	.44
Conway, six dollars and thirty-five cents.....	6.35
Eaton, forty-seven cents.....	.47
Effingham, ninety-four cents.....	.94
Freedom, eighty-two cents.....	.82
Hart's Location, twenty-five cents.....	.25
Jackson, one dollar and nineteen cents.....	1.19
Madison, ninety-seven cents.....	.97
Moultonborough, three dollars and forty-two cents....	3.42
Ossipee, two dollars and seventy cents.....	2.70
Sandwich, two dollars and seventy-three cents.....	2.73
Tamworth, two dollars and fifty-four cents.....	2.54
Tuftonboro, one dollar and forty-eight cents.....	1.48
Wakefield, three dollars and twenty-one cents.....	3.21
Wolfeboro, five dollars and thirty-six cents.....	5.36
Hale's Location, two cents.....	.02

Merrimack County, \$132.86.

Allenstown, two dollars and thirty-five cents.....	\$2.35
Andover, two dollars and sixty cents.....	2.60
Boscawen, two dollars and seventeen cents.....	2.17
Bow, two dollars and fifty-one cents.....	2.51
Bradford, two dollars and one cent.....	2.01
Canterbury, one dollar and ninety-three cents.....	1.93
Chichester, one dollar and forty-five cents.....	1.45
Concord, sixty dollars and sixty-nine cents.....	60.69
Danbury, one dollar and thirteen cents.....	1.13
Dunbarton, one dollar and twenty-three cents.....	1.23

Epsom, one dollar and eighty-one cents.....	\$1.81
Franklin, thirteen dollars and sixty-five cents.....	13.65
Henniker, three dollars and seventeen cents.....	3.17
Hill, one dollar and thirteen cents.....	1.13
Hooksett, three dollars and twenty-nine cents.....	3.29
Hopkinton, three dollars and seventy cents.....	3.70
Loudon, two dollars and twenty-five cents.....	2.25
Newbury, two dollars and thirty-three cents.....	2.33
New London, two dollars and seventy-six cents.....	2.76
Northfield, three dollars and twenty-one cents.....	3.21
Pembroke, four dollars and eighty-three cents.....	4.83
Pittsfield, four dollars and forty-two cents.....	4.42
Salisbury, one dollar and four cents.....	1.04
Sutton, one dollar and sixty cents.....	1.60
Warner, three dollars and twenty-five cents.....	3.25
Webster, one dollar and forty-six cents.....	1.46
Wilnot, eight-nine cents.....	.89

Hillsborough County, \$304.46.

Amherst, three dollars and nineteen cents.....	\$3.19
Antrim, two dollars and sixty-two cents.....	2.62
Bedford, two dollars and seventy-eight cents.....	2.78
Bennington, one dollar and ninety-four cents.....	1.94
Brookline, one dollar and ten cents.....	1.10
Deering, eight-three cents.....	.83
Francestown, one dollar and twenty-three cents.....	1.23
Goffstown, five dollars and thirty-five cents.....	5.35
Greenfield, one dollar and eight cents.....	1.08
Greenville, two dollars and twenty-one cents.....	2.21
Hancock, one dollar and sixty cents.....	1.60
Hillsborough, four dollars and forty-five cents.....	4.45
Hollis, one dollar and eighty-nine cents.....	1.89
Hudson, two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2.64
Litchfield, one dollar and five cents.....	1.05
Lyndeborough, one dollar and fourteen cents.....	1.14
Manchester, one hundred and eighty-two dollars and seven cents.....	182.07
Mason, seventy-four cents.....	.74
Merrimack, three dollars and nineteen cents.....	3.19
Milford, eight dollars and fourteen cents.....	8.14
Mout Vernon, one dollar and twenty-six cents.....	1.26
Nashua, fifty-three dollars and twelve cents.....	53.12
New Boston, two dollars and seventy-one cents.....	2.71
New Ipswich, two dollars and five cents.....	2.05
Pelham, one dollar and sixty cents.....	1.60

Peterborough, six dollars and seventy-six cents.....	\$6.76
Sharon, thirty-five cents.....	.35
Temple, sixty-one cents.....	.61
Weare, three dollars and eleven cents.....	3.11
Wilton, three dollars and fifty-two cents.....	3.52
Windsor, thirteen cents.....	.13

Cheshire County, \$67.16.

Alstead, one dollar and forty-three cents.....	\$1.43
Chesterfield, one dollar and ninety-four cents.....	1.94
Dublin, three dollars and forty-six cents.....	3.46
Fitzwilliam, one dollar and seventy-nine cents.....	1.79
Gilsum, fifty-six cents.....	.56
Harrisville, one dollar and thirty-one cents.....	1.31
Hinsdale, four dollars and eighty-four cents.....	4.84
Jaffrey, three dollars and eighty-nine cents.....	3.89
Kcene, twenty-three dollars and forty-nine cents.....	23.49
Marlborough, one dollar and eighty-six cents.....	1.86
Marlow, sixty-one cents.....	.61
Nelson, fifty-eight cents.....	.58
Richmond, one dollar and nineteen cents.....	1.19
Rindge, one dollar and eighty-six cents.....	1.86
Roxbury, twenty-nine cents.....	.29
Stoddard, sixty-seven cents.....	.67
Sullivan, fifty-two cents.....	.52
Surry, sixty cents.....	.60
Swanzy, two dollars and seventy-three cents.....	2.73
Troy, two dollars and five cents.....	2.05
Walpole, five dollars and ninety-six cents.....	5.96
Westmoreland, one dollar and thirty-four cents.....	1.34
Winchester, four dollars and nineteen cents.....	4.19

Sullivan County, \$39.05.

Acworth, seventy-five cents.....	\$0.75
Charlestown, two dollars and fifty-one cents.....	2.51
Claremont, fifteen dollars and sixty-two cents.....	15.62
Cornish, one dollar and ninety-two cents.....	1.92
Croydon, eighty-seven cents.....	.87
Goshen, forty-five cents.....	.45
Grantham, fifty-six cents.....	.56
Langdon, fifty-two cents.....	.52
Lempster, fifty-eight cents.....	.58
Newport, seven dollars and eighty-five cents.....	7.85
Plainfield, one dollar and eighty-one cents.....	1.81

Springfield, ninety-one cents.....	\$0.91
Sunapee, three dollars and twenty-one cents.....	3.21
Unity, seventy-one cents.....	.71
Washington, seventy-eight cents.....	.78

Grafton County, \$98.71.

Alexandria, eighty-five cents.....	\$0.85
Ashland, two dollars and eighty-five cents.....	2.85
Bath, one dollar and eighty-three cents.....	1.83
Benton, thirty-nine cents.....	.39
Bethlehem, three dollars and seventy-eight cents.....	3.78
Bridgewater, sixty-nine cents.....	.69
Bristol, three dollars and thirty cents.....	3.30
Campton, one dollar and seventy-six cents.....	1.76
Canaan, two dollars and sixty-one cents.....	2.61
Dorchester, forty-seven cents.....	.47
Easton, forty-nine cents.....	.49
Ellsworth, twenty-six cents.....	.26
Enfield, two dollars and seventy-four cents.....	2.74
Franconia, two dollars and one cent.....	2.01
Grafton, one dollar and forty-six cents.....	1.46
Groton, forty cents.....	.40
Hanover, seven dollars and thirty-five cents.....	7.35
Haverhill, six dollars and sixty-seven cents.....	6.67
Hebron, fifty-six cents.....	.56
Holderness, two dollars and sixty-seven cents.....	2.67
Landaff, ninety-four cents.....	.94
Lebanon, eleven dollars and thirty-nine cents.....	11.39
Lincoln, nine dollars and sixty-six cents.....	9.66
Lisbon, five dollars and nine cents.....	5.09
Littleton, eight dollars and six cents.....	8.06
Livermore, one dollar and twenty-nine cents.....	1.29
Lyman, fifty-nine cents.....	.59
Lyme, one dollar and ninety-nine cents.....	1.99
Monroe, ninety cents.....	.90
Orange, thirty-eight cents.....	.38
Orford, one dollar and thirty-four cents.....	1.34
Piermont, one dollar and twelve cents.....	1.12
Plymouth, five dollars and twenty-six cents.....	5.26
Rumney, one dollar and seventy-seven cents.....	1.77
Thornton, seventy-eight cents.....	.78
Warren, one dollar and twenty cents.....	1.20
Waterville, one dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1.38
Wentworth, one dollar and two cents.....	1.02
Woodstock, one dollar and forty-one cents.....	1.41

Coos County, \$74.73.

Berlin, twenty-one dollars and nineteen cents.....	\$21.19
Carroll, three dollars and sixty-seven cents.....	3.67
Clarksville, one dollar and twenty-one cents.....	1.21
Colebrook, four dollars and fourteen cents.....	4.14
Columbia, one dollar and twenty-four cents.....	1.24
Dalton, sixty-two cents.....	.62
Dummer, one dollar and five cents.....	1.05
Errol, two dollars and three cents.....	2.03
Gorham, eight dollars and forty cents.....	8.40
Jefferson, two dollars and six cents.....	2.06
Lancaster, seven dollars and eleven cents.....	7.11
Milan, two dollars and four cents.....	2.04
Northumberland, two dollars and ninety-three cents...	2.93
Pittsburg, six dollars and twenty-one cents.....	6.21
Randolph, fifty-three cents.....	.53
Shelburne, one dollar and nineteen cents.....	1.19
Stark, one dollar and four cents.....	1.04
Stewartstown, one dollar and fifty-five cents.....	1.55
Stratford, two dollars and forty-eight cents.....	2.48
Wentworth's Location, ninety-one cents.....	.91
Whitefield, three dollars and thirteen cents.....	3.13

Unincorporated Places in Coos County, \$9.38.

Bean's Grant, twenty-five cents.....	\$0.25
Bean's Purchase, six cents.....	.06
Cambridge, one dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1.38
Chandler's Purchase, twelve cents.....	.12
Crawford's Purchase, twenty cents.....	.20
Cutt's Grant, twelve cents.....	.12
Dixville, two dollars and sixty cents.....	2.60
Dix's Grant, forty-one cents.....	.41
Erving's Grant, sixteen cents.....	.16
Gilmanton and Atkinson Academy Grant, thirty-two cents32
Hadley's Purchase, ten cents.....	.10
Kilkenny, seven cents.....	.07
Millsfield, seventy-two cents.....	.72
Odell, sixty-two cents.....	.62
Pinkham's Grant, two cents.....	.02
Sargent's Purchase, thirty-six cents.....	.36
Second College Grant, fifty-one cents.....	.51
Success, ninety-five cents.....	.95
Thompson and Meserve's Purchase, forty-one cents....	.41

To continue until another apportionment.

SECT. 2. The same shall be the proportion of assessment of all public taxes until a new apportionment shall be made and established, and the treasurer for the time being shall issue his warrant accordingly.

[Approved February 11, 1915.]

CHAPTER 2.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 147, LAWS OF 1907, RELATING TO THE SUPPRESSION OF THE GYPSY AND BROWN-TAIL MOTHS.

SECTION

1. Work subject to direction of governor and council.

SECTION

2. Suppression of other insect pests.
3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Work subject to direction of governor and council.

SECTION 1. Amend section 2 of chapter 147, Laws of 1907, by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 2. The commissioner of agriculture and the deputy in charge of the suppression of the gypsy and brown-tail moths shall in all particulars, including the employment of assistants and the disbursement of necessary expenses, be subject to the direction and control of the governor and council, who may establish such rules and regulations pertaining to said matters, and may enter into such arrangements for co-operating in said work with persons, corporations, municipalities, states, or governments, as they shall deem expedient.

Suppression of other insect pests.

SECT. 2. Amend chapter 147, Laws of 1907, by inserting a new section to be known as section 12, as follows: SECT. 12. The commissioner of agriculture and the deputy in charge of the suppression of the gypsy and brown-tail moths are hereby authorized and empowered to undertake the suppression of any other insect, caterpillar, or moth pest which, by reason of its prevalence in any section of this state, may be made, or by them declared to be, a public nuisance, and may take such means to suppress such nuisance under this act as may be done for the suppression of the gypsy or brown-tail moths.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 3.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE LABELING OF WOOD ALCOHOL.

SECTION

1. Sale of food, drink, etc., containing wood alcohol prohibited.
2. Container to be labeled; form of label.

SECTION

3. Denatured alcohol to be labeled.
4. Penalty for violation; prior act repealed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. No person shall sell, offer for sale, deal in, or supply, or have in his possession with intent to sell, offer for sale, give away, deal in, or supply, any article of food or drink, or any medicinal or toilet preparation or perfume intended for human use internally or externally, which contains any wood naphtha, otherwise known as wood alcohol, or methyl alcohol, either crude or refined, under or by whatever name or trademark the same may be called or known. Sale of food, etc., containing wood alcohol prohibited.

SECT. 2. No person shall sell, offer for sale, give away, deal in, or supply any wood naphtha, otherwise known as wood alcohol or methyl alcohol, either crude or refined, under or by whatever name or trademark the same may be called or known, unless the container in which the same is sold, offered for sale, given away, dealt in, or supplied shall bear a notice containing the following conspicuously printed or stenciled thereon, viz.: Container, how labeled.

POISON
WOOD NAPHTHA
OR WOOD ALCOHOL

WARNING—It is unlawful to use this fluid in any article of food, beverage, or medicinal or toilet preparation for human use internally or externally.

SECT. 3. No persons shall sell or offer for sale any alcohol which has been denatured by the addition of wood or methyl alcohol, unless the container in which the same is sold or offered for sale shall be conspicuously labeled in red with the words: Poison. Denatured Alcohol. Denatured alcohol to be labeled.

SECT. 4. Whoever violates any provision of this act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Chapter 16, Laws of 1911, entitled "An act relating to the labeling of wood alcohol," is hereby repealed. Penalty; prior act repealed.

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 4.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF GRADE CROSSINGS.

SECTION	SECTION
1. Municipalities to maintain warning signs.	4. Penalty for neglect.
2. Signs, location of.	5. Unlawful removal, etc., how punished.
3. Not required, when.	6. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Municipalities to maintain warning signs.

SECTION 1. Every city and town shall, within six months from the passage of this act, place and thereafter maintain warning signs on every highway approaching a crossing at grade of such highway and the tracks of a steam railroad, at a reasonable distance on each side of such crossing.

Location of signs.

SECT. 2. Such signs shall be of a design and color to be established by an order of the public service commission. They shall be placed in conspicuous places beside the highway at a distance of not less than three hundred nor more than five hundred feet from the crossing, unless the public service commission, on petition of a city or town, shall in any particular case approve of a different distance. They shall be placed at as nearly as possible an even number of hundreds of feet from the crossing, which number shall be stated on the signs.

Not required, when.

SECT. 3. If in the case of any crossing it appears that the placing of such signs is impracticable or unnecessary, the public service commission, on petition of the city or town in which such crossing is situated, may release such city or town from the obligation of placing and maintaining such signs on the highways near such crossing.

Penalty for neglect.

SECT. 4. If any town shall neglect for sixty days after the expiration of the six months prescribed in section 1 to comply with the requirements thereof, unless released therefrom by order of the public service commission, it shall forfeit one dollar for each day during which it shall neglect to place or maintain each sign required by this act to be placed and maintained, such forfeiture to be recovered in an action of debt in the name and for the use of the state.

Unlawful removal, etc., penalty.

SECT. 5. Any person who unlawfully removes, throws down, injures, or defaces any such sign shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars, for the use of the city or town placing and maintaining such sign.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 5.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF MUD POND IN THE TOWNS OF
CANAAN AND ORANGE.

SECTION

1. Name changed to Mirror Lake.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. That Mud pond in the towns of Canaan and Orange Name changed.
shall take the name of Mirror lake.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 6.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF SPECTACLE POND IN THE TOWN OF
NEWBURY.

SECTION

1. Name changed to Mountainview lake.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. The name of Spectacle pond in the town of New- Name changed.
bury is hereby changed to, and the same shall hereafter be known
and called, Mountainview lake.

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

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 7.

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL FROM BEING APPOINTED TO OTHER POSITIONS OF PROFIT OR EMOLUMENT.

SECTION 1. Councilors not eligible to appointive offices.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Councilors in-eligible.

SECTION 1. No member of the governor's council shall be eligible to appointment by the governor and council to any position of profit and emolument, except justice of the peace and notary public, during the term for which he was elected a councilor.

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 8.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF AN ANNUAL STATE TAX FOR THE TERM OF TWO YEARS.

SECTION

1. Annual state tax of \$750,000.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual tax of \$750,000.

SECTION 1. The sum of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars shall be raised annually for the use of the state, for the years 1916 and 1917, and the state treasurer is hereby authorized and directed seasonably to issue his warrants to the selectmen of the several towns and places, and to the assessors of the several cities in the state, according to the apportionment of the public taxes made at the January session of the legislature in 1915, and the selectmen of such towns and places, and the assessors of such cities, are hereby directed to assess the sums specified in said warrants, and cause the same to be paid to said treasurer on or before the first day of December, 1916 and 1917, and the state treasurer is hereby authorized to issue his extent for all taxes which shall remain unpaid on the dates last mentioned.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 9.

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 22, CHAPTER 157, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES,
RELATING TO RAILROAD CORPORATIONS AND PROPRIETORS OF RAIL-
ROADS.

SECTION

1. Non-resident treasurer to furnish
copies of certain records.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on pasage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Section 22, chapter 157, of the Public Statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the words "forty-eight" and inserting in place thereof the words forty-nine, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 22. In such case, the treasurer shall furnish to the assistant treasurer a true copy of his records made in compliance with the provisions of section twelve of chapter one hundred and forty-nine of the Public Statutes, and of all entries made therein, forthwith after they are made; and the assistant treasurer shall enter such copies in books provided for the purpose, and shall keep the same in his office.

Non-resident treas-
urer to furnish
certain copies.

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

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 10.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 16, CHAPTER 150, OF THE PUBLIC
STATUTES, RELATING TO ANNUAL RETURNS OF CORPORATIONS.

SECTION

1. Certain corporations to make annual
return.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 150 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 159 of the Laws of 1911, by striking out all of section 16 of said chapter 150 as so amended, and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 16. Every such corporation, except insurance companies, railroad corporations and public util-

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ity corporations making annual returns to the public service commission, banks, and loan and building associations, shall annually on or before March 1 of each year make a return in writing, signed by and under oath of its treasurer and a majority of its directors, to the secretary of state and to the clerk of the town in which its principal business is carried on, if in this state, of the amount of all assessments voted by the corporation and actually paid in, the amount of all debts due to and from the corporation, and the value of all the property and assets of the corporation, so far as the same can be ascertained, as existing on the first day of January; and if any such corporation shall fail so to do, the treasurer and directors shall be individually liable for all debts and contracts of the corporation then existing, or which shall be contracted until the return is made.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 11.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING A TRUSTEE OF AN ESTATE WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE JUDGE OF PROBATE, TO MORTGAGE OR LEASE REAL ESTATE AND TO PURCHASE FRACTIONAL PARTS OF REAL ESTATE.

SECTION

1. Mortgage of realty authorized.
2. Lease of realty authorized.

SECTION

3. Purchase of realty authorized.
4. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Mortgage authorized.

SECTION 1. The judge of probate, upon petition of a trustee of an estate and after due notice and hearing thereon, if it appears necessary or expedient, may authorize such trustee to mortgage any real estate belonging to the trust estate. The petition shall set forth a description of the real estate to be mortgaged, the amount of money necessary to be raised, and the purposes for which such money is required, and the decree of the court upon such petition shall fix the amount for which the mortgage may be given.

Lease authorized.

SECT. 2. The judge of probate, upon petition of a trustee of an estate setting forth a description of the property and after due notice and hearing thereon, if it appears necessary or expedient,

may authorize such trustee to lease any of the real estate belonging to the trust estate for such term of years, at such rental, and on such conditions as the judge may in his decree direct.

SECT. 3. The judge of probate, when a trust estate is seized of an undivided fractional part of real estate, upon petition of a trustee of such estate and after due notice and hearing thereon, may authorize the trustee to purchase any other undivided fractional part of such real estate when it will be conducive to the interests of the trust estate to do so; and when the trustee shall be so authorized and licensed by the judge, he may make the purchase and use the funds of the trust estate to pay the purchase money.

Purchase of fractional part of realty authorized.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 12.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 24, CHAPTER 166, LAWS OF 1911, ENTITLED "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 128, LAWS OF 1909, ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE STATE SYSTEM OF FOREST PROTECTION'."

SECTION

1. Co-operative lookout stations.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 24, chapter 166, Laws of 1911, by adding at the end thereof the following: The state forester may co-operate with the forestry departments of the states of Maine, Massachusetts, and Vermont in the establishment and maintenance jointly of lookout stations serving New Hampshire and any of the other said states.

Co-operative lookout stations.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 13.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 6, CHAPTER 176, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATIVE TO DOWER OR CURTESY RIGHTS OF INSANE PERSONS.

SECTION 1. Conveyance of realty if husband or wife insane.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Conveyance if husband or wife insane.

SECTION 1. Amend section 6, chapter 176, of the Public Statutes, by striking out the words "petitioner resides" and substituting therefor the words real estate lies, so that said section shall read as follows: SECT. 6. When a married man or woman, whose wife or husband is insane, and has continued insane for one year, wishes to sell and convey any of his or her real estate, he or she may apply by petition to the judge of probate for the county in which the real estate lies for a license to sell and convey the same in such manner as to bar all rights which the insane wife or husband has therein.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 14.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 143, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO THE CONTROL OF SELF-HUNTING DOGS.

SECTION

1. Not to run at large, when.

SECTION

2. Penalty for violation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Not to run at large, when.

SECTION 1. Amend section 1 of chapter 143, Laws of 1913, by striking out the word "October" and inserting in lieu thereof the word December, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for the owner or custodian of any self-hunting dog to permit such a dog to run at large in the woods or fields inhabited by game birds or quadrupeds or on lands where sheep are pastured between April 1 and December 1 of any year.

Penalty.

SECT. 2. Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding twenty dollars.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 15.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE INSANE.

SECTION

1. Lunacy commission to be notified of guardian's appointment.
2. Interstate transfer of insane.

SECTION

3. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Whenever a guardian is appointed for a person alleged to be insane or that has been legally declared to be insane, the register of probate shall, within one week after such appointment, transmit to the state board of commissioners of lunacy the name and residence of both guardian and ward.

Lunacy commission to be notified of guardian's appointment.

SECT. 2. The state board of commissioners of lunacy is empowered to enter into an agreement with the similar board or commission of any other state for the transfer of indigent insane persons from one state to the other where they may be deemed equitably to belong, after an investigation of the facts connected with each individual case.

Interstate transfer of insane.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 16.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 102, LAWS OF 1909, RELATING TO THE MILITIA.

SECTION 1. Enrollment by city and town officers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 2, chapter 102, Laws of 1909, by striking out the whole of said section, and substituting therefor the following: SECT. 2. The boards of assessors of cities and the selectmen of towns shall, at such times as the commander-in-chief may direct, make an alphabetical list of all male citizens between

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the ages of eighteen and forty-five, living within their respective cities or towns. On such lists, and opposite the name of each person exempt from military duty, or a minor, or in the national guard, the board of assessors or selectmen shall write "Exempt" and the reason of such exemption, "Minor," or "National Guard," as the case may be. The board of assessors or selectmen shall subscribe said list and make oath that the same is true to the best of their knowledge and belief, and shall file the same with the clerk of their city or town on or before the first day of May in the year when made; and each clerk shall, on or before the tenth day of said May, forward to the adjutant-general a certified statement of the total number enrolled upon the list so filed with him, the total number marked "Exempt," the total number marked "Minor," and the total number marked "National Guard." The adjutant-general shall, on or before the first day of March preceding such enrollment, prepare proper blanks and instructions and forward the same to the board of assessors or selectmen and clerks of towns and cities.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 17.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE SALARY OF THE DEPUTY REGISTER OF PROBATE OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM.

SECTION

1. Annual salary of \$600; repealing clause.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual salary of \$600; repealing clause.

SECTION 1. The salary of the deputy register of probate of the county of Rockingham shall hereafter be six hundred dollars per annum, payable as now provided by law; and so much of section 4, chapter 88 of the Laws of 1907, as is inconsistent with this act is hereby repealed.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 18.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 107, LAWS OF 1909, AS AMENDED
BY CHAPTER 92, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO MILEAGE BOOKS.

SECTION

1. Mileage-book rate, how fixed.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Amend section 1, chapter 107, Laws of 1909, as amended by chapter 92, Laws of 1913, by striking out in the third line after the word "books" the words "at the rate of two cents a mile," by substituting the word their for the word "its" in the fifth line, and by inserting after the word "state" in the fifth line of said section the following: The public service commission is hereby given the same authority with reference to the rates charged for such mileage books as is now conferred by statute upon said commission with reference to other passenger rates upon such steam railroads, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. All steam railroads operating a passenger service in this state shall hereafter issue five hundred mile mileage books, good for the transportation of the bearer over all their steam railroad lines in this state, and keep them on sale at their ticket offices in this state. The public service commission is hereby given the same authority with reference to the rates charged for such mileage books as is now conferred by statute upon said commission with reference to other passenger rates upon such steam railroads. Provided, that nothing in this act contained shall compel the issuance of such mileage books for transportation over the Mount Washington Railway, or between Bethlehem Junction and Bethlehem, Bethlehem Junction and the Profile House, or between Fabyans and the base of Mount Washington.

Mileage-book rate,
how fixed.

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

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 19.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 20, CHAPTER 264, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE POLICE OF TOWNS.

SECTION

1. Drunkenness in public place, how punished.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Drunkenness, how punished.

SECTION 1. That section 20, chapter 264, of the Public Statutes, relating to offenses against the police of towns, be amended by adding at the end thereof the following, except that the penalty for an offense under section 14 shall not exceed ten dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding six months, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 20. A person convicted of any offense mentioned in the preceding sections shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars or be imprisoned not exceeding six months; except that the penalty for an offense under section 14 shall not exceed ten dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding six months.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 20.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 16, LAWS OF 1901, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESTRICTION OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES."

SECTION

1. Physicians to report certain diseases.
2. Members of household to report.
3. Measures of quarantine.

SECTION

4. Quarantine cards.
5. Local health boards to report.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Physicians to report certain diseases.

SECTION 1. Chapter 16, Laws of 1901, is hereby amended by striking out sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, and inserting in place thereof the following: SECTION 1. Any physician or other person called upon to treat smallpox, cholera, diphtheria, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, measles, or any other disease required by the state board of

health to be reported, shall report the same immediately to the local board of health of the town in which the disease is found, or to the state board of health, as may be directed by the latter, together with the name, age, and sex of the patient, the head of the family, and the house or place where the said infected person may be found. The attending physician may, if he deems it necessary, quarantine the patient or enforce the regulations of the state board of health pending the reporting of the disease as required.

SECT. 2. Whenever any person knows or has reason to believe that any member of his family or household has either of the diseases named in section 1, or any other disease required to be reported, he shall, if no physician is in attendance, immediately notify the local board of health of the town or city in which he resides.

Members of household to report.

SECT. 3. The board of health, upon being notified of the existence of either of the diseases required to be reported under the provisions of section 1 of this act, shall take such action with respect to quarantine and instructions to the family as may have been promulgated by the state board of health for the control of that particular disease, and it shall be the duty of local boards of health to enforce all rules and regulations established by the state board of health for the restriction and prevention of such disease or diseases.

Measures of quarantine.

SECT. 4. The state board of health shall cause to be printed, for the use of local boards of health, quarantine cards or notices containing such orders or instructions as may be deemed necessary or advisable. No person shall remove, deface, or destroy a quarantine card or notice when posted by the local board of health, and said card shall remain in place until its removal is authorized by the local board of health.

Quarantine cards.

SECT. 5. Upon the appearance of either of the diseases required by the law or by the state board of health to be reported, the local board of health shall make an immediate report to the state board of health upon blanks furnished for that purpose, and shall thereafter make weekly reports so long as the disease continues, and shall make such additional reports as the state board of health may require.

Local health boards to report.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 21.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1, CHAPTER 184, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO TIMES AND PLACES OF HOLDING COURTS OF PROBATE.

SECTION

1. Terms in Rockingham county.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Terms in Rockingham county.

SECTION 1. That section 1, chapter 184, of the Public Statutes, be amended by striking out all after the word "following" in the second line thereof and by substituting in place thereof the words, For the County of Rockingham,—at Exeter, on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month except August; at Portsmouth, on the first Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November; at Derry, on the first Tuesday of February, June, October, and December.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 22.

AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM TAXATION PROPERTY IN SUTTON TO BE HELD FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD BY THE SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS.

SECTION

1. Property exempted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Property exempted.

SECTION 1. That real estate in the town of Sutton, located along the north road, so called, to Warner, and adjacent thereto, now owned by the Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests, shall be exempt from taxation as long as maintained by said society open to the public.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 23.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3, CHAPTER 15, LAWS OF 1911, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE SANITARY PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD AND DEFINING THE DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH IN RELATION THERETO.

SECTION 1. Authority of state board of health to require improvements.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 15, Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by striking out the following words, "And if any person, firm, or corporation is found to be violating any of the provisions of this act, then the state board of health shall issue an order to the aforesaid to abate the condition or practice in violation, within such time as may be deemed reasonably sufficient therefor," and inserting in place thereof the following: In the event that a person infected with any communicable disease is employed, or if structural alterations are necessary for the protection of food products as herein required, the state board of health shall issue an order prohibiting the employment of such person, or requiring such structural changes as in the opinion of the board are necessary, so that the said section as amended shall read: SECT. 3. The state board of health, or its inspectors, or special agents designated for that purpose, shall have full power and authority at all times to enter and inspect every building, room, or other place occupied or used for the production, storage, sale, or distribution of food, and all utensils and appurtenances relating thereto. In the event that a person infected with any communicable disease is employed, or if structural alterations are necessary for the protection of food products as herein required, the state board of health shall issue an order prohibiting the employment of such person, or requiring such structural changes as in the opinion of the board are necessary. Such order shall be transmitted by registered mail, and the receipt of the postoffice department therefor shall be *prima facie* evidence of its receipt by the person or persons affected.

Authority of state board of health to require improvements.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 24.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE SALARY OF THE DEPUTY STATE TREASURER.

SECTION

1. Annual salary of \$1,500.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual salary of
\$1,500.

SECTION 1. That from and after the passage of this act the salary of the deputy state treasurer shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum.

Repealing clause.

SECT. 2. That so much of chapter 81, Laws of 1909, as relates to the salary of the deputy state treasurer is hereby repealed.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 25.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 45, LAWS OF 1905, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF SAVINGS BANKS AND OTHER SAVINGS INSTITUTIONS."

SECTION

1. If deposit book lost or destroyed.
2. Duplicate book, when issued.

SECTION

3. If duplicate refused, or adverse claim made.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

If deposit book
lost or destroyed.

SECTION 1. Amend section 1 of said chapter by inserting after the words "savings bank" the words savings department of a national bank, so that said section as amended shall read: SECTION 1. Whenever the deposit book of a depositor in a savings bank, savings department of a national bank, or savings institution, is alleged to be lost or destroyed, and the depositor shall request such bank or institution to issue to him a duplicate thereof, he shall, if such bank or institution so requires, advertise such loss or destruction by publishing a notice thereof containing a description of such book by its date and number, together with the name of the bank or institution which issued the same, three weeks successively in two newspapers, one published in the vicinity of the residence

of the depositor, and the other in the vicinity of the place of business of such bank or institution, and by posting a like notice at the office of such bank or institution.

SECT. 2. Amend section 2 of said chapter by inserting after the words "savings bank" in the third and seventh lines of said section the words national bank, so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 2. If no other person shall make claim to such book or to the deposit thereunder within three months after such publication and notice, such savings bank, national bank, or savings institution shall issue to the depositor a duplicate of such book which shall contain a complete statement of the depositor's account, and shall state that it is issued in lieu of the one alleged to have been lost or destroyed; and such savings bank, national bank, or savings institution shall not be liable thereafter on account of such original book. Duplicate, when issued.

SECT. 3. Amend section 3 of said chapter by inserting after the words "savings bank" in the third line of said section the words national bank, so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 3. If any adverse claim shall be made to such original book or deposit before a duplicate book has been issued, or if such savings bank, national bank, or savings institution shall refuse to issue a duplicate thereof, such claimant or depositor may petition the superior court for relief, and such court may, after due notice and hearing, make such orders and decrees in the premises as justice shall require. If duplicate refused or adverse claim made.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 26.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 39, LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO CONTRACTS BY STREET RAILWAYS FOR SPRINKLING STREETS.

SECTION

1. Street railways may operate sprinkling cars owned by others.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on pasage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Chapter 39, Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new section: SECT. 2. Any such street railway is also authorized to allow street sprinkling cars or similar apparatus owned by other persons or corporations to be Street railways may operate sprinkling cars owned by others.

operated and used upon its tracks, and to furnish the motive power and use of tracks and other facilities and to make contracts therefor, with the approval of the superintendent of streets, highway surveyor, board of public works, or other officials having control of the highways of the city or town, or, in case such officials shall not approve, with the approval of the public service commission.

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

[Approved March 3, 1915.]

Takes effect on passage.

CHAPTER 27.

AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE.

SECTION

- 1. State board of health to appoint health officers for towns.
- 2. Local health boards, how constituted.
- 3. Health officer, tenure of office of; how removed.

SECTION

- 4. Duties of health officer.
- 5. Act not applicable to cities; takes effect June 1, 1915; repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Health officers, appointment of.

SECTION 1. The state board of health shall appoint as health officer for the towns of the state, respectively, such person as the selectmen of the town recommend, and the secretary of the state board of health shall issue to him a certificate of appointment; but if no recommendation is made within fifteen days after notice, the state board of health may appoint a health officer without such recommendation. Said health officer shall be a resident of the town for which he is to act, except that the state board of health may appoint any qualified person to act as health officer in unincorporated localities.

Local health boards.

SECT. 2. Said health officer, with the selectmen, shall constitute a local board of health for such town, and shall succeed in office the then existing board of health.

Health officer, tenure of office of; how removed.

SECT. 3. Said health officer shall be the secretary and executive officer of the local board of health, and shall hold his office for three years or until his successor is appointed. The state board of health may remove a health officer for any cause at any time after due hearing, and fill the vacancy in such office by appointment as provided in section 1 of this act.

SECT. 4. Said health officer shall enforce the public health laws and regulations and shall make such sanitary investigations as may be directed by the local board of health, or as may be required by the state board of health. He shall receive for his services the same compensation as is allowed by law to local health officers.

Duties of health officer.

SECT. 5. This act shall not apply to the incorporated cities of the state. It shall take effect and be in force on and after June 1, 1915; and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Act not applicable to cities; takes effect June 1, 1915; repealing clause.

[Approved March 3, 1915.]

CHAPTER 28.

AN ACT RELATING TO COSTS IN CERTAIN CASES.

SECTION

1. Allowance of costs in certain probate proceedings.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. In hearings before commissioners appointed by the probate court to allow claims against estates of deceased persons, costs shall be allowed to the party which finally prevails in contested cases. The commissioner shall certify in his report to the court the costs of each party, which shall be taxed as costs are taxed in the superior court. And in all contested cases heard before the judge of probate, like costs shall be allowed by the court in its decree, to be recovered in an action of debt, or allowed to executors, administrators, conservators, and guardians as expenses of administration, when paid by them.

Allowance of costs in certain probate proceedings.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 3, 1915.]

CHAPTER 29.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR.

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| SECTION | SECTION |
| 1. Vacancy to be filled by governor's appointment. | 2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage. |

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Vacancy, how filled.

SECTION 1. In case of a vacancy in the office of United States senator, the governor may fill the same by appointment until the next general election, when said vacancy shall be filled.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 3, 1915.]

CHAPTER 30.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL COURTS AND ABOLISHING EXISTING POLICE COURTS.

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| SECTION | SECTION |
| 1. Municipal courts established; justices and special justices, appointment of. | 9. Certain towns may establish courts by vote. |
| 2. Clerks, appointment and compensation of. | 10. Salaries of justices. |
| 3. Clerks to receive and account for fines, etc. | 11. District courts abolished; pending proceedings saved. |
| 4. Criminal jurisdiction. | 12. Sessions in any place in county. |
| 5. Civil jurisdiction. | 13. Probation officers in towns. |
| 6. Form of seal; form of writs. | 14. Disqualifications for practice. |
| 7. Session for civil trials. | 15. Existing statutes applicable. |
| 8. Executions, when issued and returned. | 16. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage. |
| | 17. Adoption by town without article in warrant. |

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Municipal courts established; justices and special justices, appointment of.

SECTION 1. In each city and town in this state having not less than two thousand inhabitants there is hereby established a municipal court, to consist of one learned, able, and discreet person who shall be appointed and commissioned as justice thereof by the

governor with the advice and consent of the council, and a special justice, appointed and commissioned in like manner. In the absence, inability, or disqualification of the justice of a municipal court, the special justice shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the justice. If the justice and special justice are disqualified or unable from any cause to sit in any case, a disinterested justice of the peace, attending upon written request of the justice, may hear and determine the case and issue final process therein, and he shall keep a record thereof, which shall be kept with and constitute a part of the records of said court, all of which shall have like effect as if it were heard and determined by the justice of said court. The special justice and justice of the peace requested to sit owing to the disqualification of the justice and special justice shall be paid, from the treasury of the city or town wherein said court is located, a compensation of three dollars per day for each day or part thereof that he shall serve in said capacity; *provided, however*, that the salary of the special justice of the municipal court for Manchester shall be three hundred and fifty dollars per year, to be paid by said city of Manchester quarterly.

SECT. 2. All cities and towns having a population of five thousand or more shall provide compensation for a clerk of the municipal court to be appointed by the justice thereof. The clerk of the Manchester municipal court shall receive an annual salary of seven hundred and fifty dollars, to be paid by said city in equal quarterly payments; the salaries of all other clerks of municipal courts in cities or towns of five thousand population or more shall be not less than one hundred and fifty dollars, and as much more as the city or town in which such court is located may vote to pay. Whenever a city or town of less than five thousand population wherein a municipal court is located shall provide compensation therefor, the justice of such court shall appoint a clerk. If no such compensation shall be provided, or if for any reason the office of clerk of a municipal court shall be vacant, the justice, or, in his absence, the special justice, shall be clerk as to all business before them respectively transacted in the municipal court, and such clerk or justice acting as clerk shall keep a full record of all proceedings. All clerks shall hold office during the pleasure of the justices appointing them.

SECT. 3. The clerk shall receive all fines, forfeitures, and costs paid into the municipal court from any source, and after deducting fees of officers and witnesses, cost of clerk's bond if any, court seal, record books, printing blanks, and such other expenses as may be legally incurred in the maintenance and conduct of said court, shall pay the same over to the treasurer of the city or

Clerks, appointment and compensation of.

Clerks to receive and account for fines, etc.

town wherein the said court is located, for the use of said city or town. Such payments shall be made monthly, on or before the fifth day of each month, and shall cover the net receipts as aforesaid of the said court for the month preceding, with a detailed statement of the amount, date, and from whom all moneys have been received. When so required by vote of the city government or the selectmen of a town, the clerk of a municipal court shall give bond in such sum as may be designated and to the satisfaction of such person or persons as by said vote shall be designated, for the proper performance of his duty.

Criminal juris-
diction.

SECT. 4. Municipal courts shall have the powers of a justice of the peace and quorum throughout the state, and shall have original jurisdiction, subject to right of appeal, of all crimes and offenses committed within the confines of the city or town wherein such courts are located, or within any town in the same county which has no municipal court, which are punishable by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500), by imprisonment in the house of correction or in jail not exceeding one year, or by both said fine and imprisonment; but in towns having no municipal court, justices of the peace shall have concurrent jurisdiction, with the same rights and powers with the municipal court of all crimes and offenses described in chapter 264 of the Public Statutes, entitled "Offenses against the police of towns"; *provided, however*, that the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall, in such towns as shall so vote, or the selectmen of which shall so petition, designate a justice of the peace within said town, to be known as a trial justice, who shall within such town have exclusive jurisdiction over all crimes and offenses described in said chapter 264 of the Public Statutes. Should said trial justice be disqualified or unable to sit in any case, the same shall be heard and tried before a municipal court in said county.

Civil jurisdiction.

SECT. 5. Municipal courts located in cities and towns having a population less than fifty thousand shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court of civil causes in which the damages demanded do not exceed one hundred dollars, the title to real estate is not involved, and the defendant resides within the county where such court is located. Municipal courts located in cities of not less than fifty thousand inhabitants shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court of civil causes in which the damages demanded do not exceed five hundred dollars, the title to real estate is not involved, and the defendant resides within the county where such court is located; *provided, however*, that if the defendant, upon entry of any action in which he has a constitutional right to trial by jury, shall, within such reasonable time as may be prescribed by rule of court, file a written

request for trial by jury, the cause shall be at once transferred to the superior court for said county, to be there heard and tried as if originally entered therein, the cost of entering said cause of action in the municipal court and transferring the same to be paid in the first instance by the plaintiff, but to be taxed in the bill of costs when the case is finally determined. In such courts located in cities having a population of fifty thousand or more, the finding of facts shall be final without appeal from their decisions, except that questions of law may be transferred to the supreme court in the same manner as questions of law are transferred from the superior court. Actions shall be returnable to the municipal court in the town or city where either the plaintiff or defendant resides; if neither the plaintiff nor defendant resides in a town or city wherein a municipal court is located, then the action may be returnable to any municipal court in the county.

SECT. 6. Municipal courts are hereby made courts of record; and each such court shall be provided with a seal bearing upon its face the words: "Municipal Court of _____ (giving the name of the city or town wherein such court is located) State of New Hampshire." Writs and other process issuing from a municipal court shall be under the seal thereof, shall bear 'the teste of the justice, if not disqualified, otherwise the special justice, and shall be signed by the clerk.

Form of seal;
form of writs.

SECT. 7. A session of each municipal court for the trial of civil actions shall be holden on some day of each month to be fixed by a rule of court and may be adjourned from day to day, or to a future day not beyond the next established session. Writs and processes in civil actions, except those for the removal of tenants, shall be returnable at the established session. Writs of summons against tenants may be returnable on any day.

Session for civil
trials.

SECT. 8. Executions on judgments rendered in municipal courts shall not be issued until twenty-four hours after the judgment, and shall be returnable within sixty days from the date of issue.

Executions, when
issued and re-
turned.

SECT. 9. If any town having a population of less than two thousand shall desire the establishment of a municipal court within its confines, it may so vote, by means of an article inserted in the warrant for any annual March meeting, or at any special town meeting called for the purpose. Such vote shall be certified by the town clerk to the governor and council, through the office of the secretary of state, and thereupon, as provided in section 1 of this act, the governor and council shall appoint and commission a justice and a special justice for such court, which shall thereupon be established and shall have and exercise all the duties and powers of municipal courts located in places having a population of not more than fifty thousand.

Certain towns
may establish
courts by vote.

Salaries of
justices.

SECT. 10. Salaries of justices of municipal courts shall be paid from the treasury of the city or town in which such courts are located, may be paid quarterly or monthly, and shall be in the following sums per annum: in cities of more than fifty thousand inhabitants, eighteen hundred dollars; in cities of more than twenty-five thousand and less than fifty thousand inhabitants, fifteen hundred dollars; in cities of more than twenty thousand and less than twenty-five thousand inhabitants, twelve hundred dollars; in cities of more than ten thousand and less than twenty thousand inhabitants, eight hundred dollars, except Portsmouth, which shall be one thousand dollars; in cities and towns of not less than seventy-five hundred and not more than ten thousand inhabitants, six hundred dollars; in cities and towns of not less than five thousand and not more than seventy-five hundred inhabitants, four hundred dollars; in towns of less than five thousand and not more than thirty-five hundred inhabitants, three hundred dollars; in towns of less than thirty-five hundred inhabitants, such sums as may be provided by vote of said town, such sum to be not less than one hundred dollars per annum.

District courts
abolished; pending
proceedings saved.

SECT. 11. All police or district courts established under the provisions of chapter 169, Laws of 1913, are hereby abolished, and the tenure of office of the justices, special justices, and clerks of said courts is hereby terminated, except as hereinafter provided. All actions and proceedings which at the date this act takes effect shall have been begun before, are returnable to, or are pending in any of said police courts shall be entered in, transferred to, and be heard and determined by the municipal court hereby established in the city or town in which such police court was located. And all actions and proceedings which have been begun before, are returnable to, or are pending in police courts located in towns of less than two thousand inhabitants in which no municipal courts are hereby established, shall be entered before, transferred to, and heard and determined by such justice of the peace of the county as the plaintiff or prosecutor or his attorney may designate.

Sessions in any
town in county.

SECT. 12. Whenever, in the opinion of the presiding justice of a municipal court, justice requires, he may hold either a civil or criminal session of his court in any place in the county.

Probation officers
in towns.

SECT. 13. Towns in which there is no municipal court may vote to have a probation officer for such town; and upon certification of such vote to the justice of any municipal court in the county, such justice shall appoint such probation officer and fix his compensation, as provided by chapter 125, Laws of 1907.

Disqualifications
for practice.

SECT. 14. No justice or clerk of any municipal court shall be retained or employed as attorney in any action, complaint, or

proceeding pending in his court, or which has been examined or tried therein, nor shall any attorney be permitted to practice before any such court when the justice thereof is connected with or associated with said attorney as partner; *provided, however*, the special justice may act as attorney before said court in any action over which he does not preside.

SECT. 15. All laws heretofore enacted not inconsistent with this act and relating to police courts, their jurisdiction and procedure, and to the powers of justices thereof and their tenure of office, are hereby made applicable to the municipal courts hereby established. Existing statutes applicable.

SECT. 16. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage; Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage. *provided, however*, that each district police court created by chapter 169, Laws of 1913, with the justices thereof, located in a town or city in which a municipal court is established by this act, shall continue with all the powers of such municipal court until a justice of said municipal court shall have been duly appointed and qualified.

SECT. 17. Any town having less than two thousand inhabitants may vote to adopt any of the provisions of this act at the annual meeting of said town to be held in March, 1915, without having inserted an article in the warrant in regard thereto. Adoption by town without article in warrant.

[Approved March 4, 1915.]

CHAPTER 31.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 195 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 113, SECTION 2 OF THE LAWS OF 1901, AND CHAPTER 14, SECTION 1, OF THE LAWS OF 1905, RELATING TO THE RIGHTS OF HUSBAND AND WIFE SURVIVING IN THE ESTATE OF THE DECEASED HUSBAND AND WIFE.

SECTION

1. Widow's share in husband's personalty.
2. Widow's share in husband's realty.
3. Surviving husband's share in wife's personalty.

SECTION

4. Surviving husband's share in wife's realty.
5. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 10, chapter 195, of the Public Statutes, as amended by section 1, chapter 113, Laws of 1901, and section 1, chapter 14, Laws of 1905, by striking out all of said section Widow's share in husband's personalty.

in clause number II after the words "*Provided, however,*" and inserting in place thereof the following: She shall receive out of the remaining portion of his personal estate the sum of five thousand dollars, if the remainder thereof amounts to that sum, and also one half of the remainder above said five thousand dollars, so that said section 10, as amended, shall read as follows:

SECT. 10. The widow of a person deceased, testate or intestate, by waiving the provisions of his will in her favor, if any, shall be entitled, in addition to her dower and homestead right, as her distributive share, to the following portion of his personal estate, remaining after the payment of debts and expenses of administration:

I. One-third part thereof, if he leaves issue surviving him.

II. One-half thereof, if he leaves no issue surviving him. *Provided, however,* she shall receive out of the remaining portion of his personal estate the sum of five thousand dollars, if the remainder thereof amounts to that sum, and also one half of the remainder above said five thousand dollars.

Widow's share in husband's realty.

SECT. 2. Amend section 11, chapter 195, of the Public Statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 113, Laws of 1901, by striking out all of said section in clause number II after the words "*Provided, however,*" and inserting in place thereof the following: She shall receive in value out of the remaining portion of his real estate, five thousand dollars, and also one half in value of the remainder of his real estate above said five thousand dollars, and the same shall be assigned to her in the same manner as dower is now assigned, so that said section 11, as amended, shall read as follows:

SECT. 11. The widow of a person deceased, testate or intestate, by waiving the provisions of his will in her favor, if any, and by releasing her right of dower and her homestead right, shall be entitled instead thereof, in fee, to the following portion of all the real estate of which he died seized, after the payment of debts and expenses of administration:

I. One-third part thereof, if he leaves issue surviving him.

II. One-half thereof, if he leaves no issue whatever surviving him. *Provided, however,* she shall receive in value out of the remaining portion of his real estate, five thousand dollars, and also one half in value of the remainder of his real estate above said five thousand dollars, and the same shall be assigned to her in the same manner as dower is now assigned.

Surviving husband's share in wife's personalty.

SECT. 3. Amend section 12, chapter 195, of the Public Statutes, as amended by section 3, chapter 113, Laws of 1901, by striking out all of said section in clause number II after the words "*Provided, however,*" and inserting in place thereof the following: He shall receive out of the remaining portion of her personal estate the sum of five thousand dollars, if the remainder thereof amounts to

that sum, and also one half of the remainder above said five thousand dollars, so that said section 12, as amended, shall read as follows:

SECT. 12. The husband of a person deceased, testate or intestate, by waiving the provisions of her will in his favor, if any, shall be entitled, in addition to his estate by the curtesy and homestead right, if any, as his distributive share, to the following portion of her personal estate remaining after the payment of debts and expenses of administration.

I. One-third part thereof, if she leaves issue surviving her.

II. One-half thereof, if she leaves no issue surviving her. *Provided, however,* he shall receive out of the remaining portion of her personal estate the sum of five thousand dollars, if the remainder thereof amounts to that sum, and also one half of the remainder above said five thousand dollars.

SECT. 4. Amend section 13, chapter 195, of the Public Statutes, as amended by section 4, chapter 113, Laws of 1901, by striking out all of said section in clause number III after the words "*Provided, however,*" and inserting in place thereof the following: He shall receive out of the remaining portion of her real estate in value five thousand dollars, if the remainder of her real estate amounts to that sum, and also one half in value of the remainder of her real estate above five thousand dollars, and the same shall be assigned to him in the same manner as dower is now assigned to a widow, so that said section 13, as amended, shall read as follows:

Surviving husband's share in wife's realty.

SECT. 13. The husband of a person deceased testate or intestate, by waiving the provisions of her will in his favor, if any, and by releasing his estate by the curtesy and his homestead right, if any, shall be entitled instead thereof to the following portion of all the real estate of which she died seized, after the payment of debts and expenses of administration:

I. One-third part thereof, to hold in fee, if she leaves issue surviving her.

II. One-third part thereof, to hold during life, if she leaves issue surviving her, but not by him, and if he has no estate by the curtesy in her real estate.

III. One-half thereof, to hold in fee, if she leaves no issue whatever surviving her. *Provided, however,* he shall receive out of the remaining portion of her real estate in value five thousand dollars, if the remainder of her real estate amounts to that sum, and also one half in value of the remainder of her real estate above five thousand dollars, and the same shall be assigned to him in the same manner as dower is now assigned to a widow.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 32.

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 7, CHAPTER 169, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES,
RELATING TO AGENTS OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

SECTION 1. Agents to be residents and to be licensed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*Agents to be resi-
dents and to be
licensed.

SECTION 1. Section 7, chapter 169, of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 89 of the Laws of 1907, by chapter 61 of the Laws of 1911, and by chapter 164 of the Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by adding to said section the following words: The term agent in this section shall include an acknowledged agent, or any person, partnership, association, or corporation, who shall in any manner aid in transacting the insurance business of any company authorized to transact business in this state by negotiating for or placing risks, or delivering policies, or collecting premiums, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 7. The agents of such insurance companies shall be residents of the state. No officer or agent thereof shall act or aid in any manner in the negotiation of any insurance with such company until he shall have procured from the insurance commissioner a license so to do. The license shall state in substance that the company is authorized to transact business in this state, and that the person named therein is the constituted agent of the company for that purpose. The term agent in this section shall include an acknowledged agent, or any person, partnership, association, or corporation, who shall in any manner aid in transacting the insurance business of any company authorized to transact business in this state by negotiating for or placing risks, or delivering policies, or collecting premiums.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 33.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PRINTING COMMISSION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION

1. State indexer of records to be clerk.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 76, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and substituting therefor the following: SECTION 1. The duties of the clerk of the public printing commission shall be performed by the state indexer of records. Indexer of records to be clerk.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1915.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 34.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 70, LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO PANDERING.

SECTION 1. Procurement for purpose of prostitution, etc., how punished.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 70, Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by the addition before the clause which reads "shall be guilty of pandering" of the words, or shall receive any money or anything of value from any female person, which was obtained by them for an act or acts, of prostitution, so that the section as amended shall read: SECTION 1. Any person who shall procure a female inmate for a house of prostitution, or who, by promises, threats, violence, or by any device or scheme, shall cause, induce, persuade, or encourage a female person to become an inmate of a house of prostitution; or shall procure a place as inmate in a house of prostitution for a female person; or any person who shall, by promises, threats, violence, or by any device or scheme, cause, induce, persuade, or encourage an inmate of a house of prostitution to remain therein as such inmate; or any person who shall, by fraud Procurement for purpose of prostitution, etc., how punished.

or artifice, or by duress of person or goods, or by abuse of any position of confidence or authority, procure any female person to become an inmate of a house of ill-fame, or to enter any place in which prostitution is encouraged or allowed within this state, or to come into this state or leave this state for the purpose of prostitution, or shall receive or give, or agree to receive or give, any money or thing of value for procuring or attempting to procure any female person to become an inmate of a house of ill-fame within this state, or to come into this state or leave this state for the purpose of prostitution, or shall receive any money or anything of value from any female person, which was obtained by them for an act or acts of prostitution, shall be guilty of pandering, and upon a first conviction for an offense under this act shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail or house of correction for a period of not less than six months nor more than one year, and by a fine of not less than three hundred dollars and not to exceed one thousand dollars, and upon conviction for any subsequent offense under this act shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a period of not less than one year nor more than ten years.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 35.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE SANITATION OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

SECTION

1. State board of health to investigate.
2. Procedure if conditions unsanitary.
3. School board to make changes; expense, how met.

SECTION

4. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Investigation of complaints.

SECTION 1. The state board of health shall upon complaint of any responsible person, investigate the sanitary conditions of any schoolhouse or building used for school purposes.

Procedure if conditions unsanitary.

SECT. 2. If they shall find that such schoolhouse or building is in any respect a menace, or likely to become a menace, to the health or bodily welfare of the pupils or teachers, they shall call the attention of the local board of health to the facts; and if after a reasonable length of time the complaint has not been attended to in a satisfactory way, they shall either order such changes as will in

their judgment make the building safe and sanitary for school purposes, or condemn the same and forbid its further use.

SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of the school board of the district forthwith to make the changes ordered, and the cost of the same shall be a charge upon the district. The selectmen shall assess the cost upon the polls and ratable estate of the district in addition to money voted by the district or required by law for the support of schools. In anticipation of such assessment, the school board may borrow money on the credit of the district to meet the charges incurred. School board to make changes; expense, how met.

SECT. 4. All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 36.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 2 AND 3, CHAPTER 120, LAWS OF 1903, RELATING TO THE USE OF TRADE-MARKS AND NAMES.

SECTION

- 1. Unauthorized use of registered bottle, etc., how punished.
- 2. What deemed evidence of unlawful use.

SECTION

- 3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 2, chapter 120, of the Laws of 1903, by striking out in the second line of said section, after the word "beverage," the words "with intent to sell the same," and by inserting in the seventh line of said section, after the word "sells," the word uses, so that said section as amended shall read: Unauthorized use of registered bottle, etc., how punished.
SECT. 2. Whoever fills with milk, cream, or any manufactured beverage, any bottle, can, or vessel, marked or distinguished as aforesaid, the description of which has been filed and published as provided in the preceding section, or defaces, erases, covers up or otherwise removes or conceals any such name, or the word "registered" thereon, or sells, uses, buys, gives, takes, or otherwise disposes of or traffics in the same, without the written consent of, or unless the same has been purchased from, the person whose name is in or upon the can, bottle, or vessel so filled, defaced, trafficked in, or otherwise used or disposed of, shall, for the first offense, be pun-

ished by a fine of fifty cents for each such can, bottle, or vessel, or by imprisonment for not less than ten days nor more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment; and for each subsequent offense, by a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars for each such vessel, or by imprisonment for not less than twenty days nor more than one year.

What deemed evidence of unlawful use.

SECT. 2. Amend section 3 of said chapter by striking out after the word "person," in the first line of said section, the words "engaged in selling milk or cream, or in manufacturing, bottling, or selling beverages," so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 3. The use by any person of a bottle, can, or vessel, marked or distinguished as aforesaid, the description of which has been filed and published as provided in section 1, without the written consent of, or purchase from, the owner thereof, or the buying, selling, disposing of, or trafficking in such bottles, cans, or vessels by such person without such written consent or purchase, or the possession by any junk dealer or dealer in second-hand articles of any such bottles, cans, or vessels, without the written consent of, or purchase from, the owner thereof, shall be *prima facie* evidence of unlawful use, possession of, or traffic in the same.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 37.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3, CHAPTER 246, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, ENTITLED "ACTIONS AGAINST TENANTS."

SECTION

1. Demand upon and notice to delinquent tenant.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Demand upon and notice to delinquent tenant.

SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 246, of the Public Statutes, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following words: Such demand shall be sufficient if made upon the tenant or occupant at any time after the rent becomes due and prior to the service of such notice to quit. Such notice of a demand and such notice to quit may be served by any person by a true and attested copy of the demand or notice to quit, the return of such service to be shown by an affidavit on the back thereof, and each may be

served upon the tenant or left at his last and usual place of abode; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 3. If a tenant or occupant neglects or refuses to pay the rent due and in arrear, upon demand, seven days' notice shall be sufficient. If the rent is payable more frequently than once in three months, whether such rent is due or not due, thirty days' notice shall be sufficient, and three months' notice shall be sufficient in all cases. Such demand shall be sufficient if made upon the tenant or occupant at any time after the rent becomes due and prior to the service of such notice to quit. Such notice of a demand and such notice to quit may be served by any person by a true and attested copy of the demand or notice to quit, the return of such service to be shown by an affidavit on the back thereof, and each may be served upon the tenant or left at his last and usual place of abode.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 38.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 3, OF CHAPTER 252, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 68, OF THE LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO EXAMINATIONS AND APPEALS.

SECTION 1. Appellant to recognize or surrender for commitment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend said section 3 by adding the following words: or shall surrender himself to the proper authority for the purpose of commitment to the county jail or house of correction, pending such appeal; so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 3. Before the appeal is allowed, the appellant shall enter into recognizance, with sufficient sureties, in such sum as the court shall order, not exceeding five hundred dollars, to appear at the court of appeal, to prosecute his appeal with effect, to abide the order of the court thereon, and, if so required, to be of good behavior in the meantime; or shall surrender himself to the proper authority for the purpose of commitment to the county jail or house of correction, pending such appeal.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 39.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 154, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN MONEYS INTO THE STATE TREASURY.

SECTION

1. Certain state receipts, for what purposes available.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Certain state receipts, for what purposes available.

SECTION 1. Amend section 2 of chapter 154, Laws of 1913, by inserting after the words "revenue of the state" in the second line thereof the words "except as otherwise specifically provided by law," and by striking out all of said section after the words "period next following" and inserting in place thereof the words "except that income from all sources except the state treasury derived by the State Hospital, the School for Feeble-Minded Children, the Industrial School, the State Sanatorium and the Normal Schools shall be available for the use of the institution at which it was derived, in addition to its general maintenance appropriation, to be paid out on the warrant of the governor," so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. Moneys received by the state treasurer as provided in section 1 shall be available for the general revenue of the state, except as otherwise specifically provided by law, and the full amount allowed for maintenance of each such institution and department shall be appropriated by each legislature for the biennial period next following; except that income from all sources except the state treasury derived by the State Hospital, the School for Feeble-Minded Children, the Industrial School, the State Sanatorium, and the Normal Schools shall be available for the use of the institution at which it was derived, in addition to its general maintenance appropriation, to be paid out on the warrant of the governor.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. Strike out section 3 of chapter 154, Laws of 1913 and insert in place thereof the following: SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 40.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE ASSESSMENT OF PUBLIC TAXES.

SECTION

1. Prior act takes effect, when.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The provisions of an act entitled "An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes," approved February 11, 1915, shall be in effect from the passage of this act, and shall be considered to be in effect from the passage of said act of February 11, 1915. Prior act takes effect, when.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 41.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 6, CHAPTER 95, LAWS OF 1903, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REGULATE THE TRAFFIC IN INTOXICATING LIQUORS," AS AMENDED BY SECTION 3, CHAPTER 49, LAWS OF 1905.

SECTION 1. Licenses of fifth class, to whom granted.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend said section 3 by striking out the words and figures "from January 1, 1903," in line 8 of sub-section entitled "Fifth Class," and inserting in place thereof the words for five years, so that said sub-section as amended shall read as follows: Licenses of fifth class, to whom granted.

Fifth Class—For retail druggists and apothecaries to sell liquor of any kind for medicinal, mechanical, chemical, and sacramental purposes only, and for dealers in hardware, paints, and decorating materials to sell alcohol for mechanical and chemical uses only, the same to be sold in accordance with the provisions of this act. Any druggist, not a registered pharmacist, who shall have been continually in active business as a druggist for five years, and who employs a registered pharmacist, shall be entitled to a license in his own name under this sub-division, provided he be otherwise qualified.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 42.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE WHITE HORSE LEDGE RESERVATION.

SECTION

1. Governor may deliver and accept certain deeds.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Governor may deliver and accept certain deeds.

SECTION 1. Whereas there was an error in the description in a deed from the Rev. Daniel Merriman to the state of New Hampshire of a certain tract of land situate in Conway and Bartlett, known as the Cathedral and White Horse Ledge reservation, and whereas to correct said error it is necessary to execute a deed of a certain portion of said land to I. H. Davis and to accept from said Davis a deed of certain adjoining land in exchange therefor, the governor is hereby authorized in the name of the state to execute and to deliver to said Davis a deed of the land in said reservation to which said Davis is entitled and to accept from said Davis in exchange therefor a deed of certain land to which the state of New Hampshire is entitled.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 43.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 102, LAWS OF 1909, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REVISE AND AMEND CHAPTER 59 OF THE LAWS OF 1895, RELATING TO THE MILITIA."

SECTION

1. Certain provisions for discharge repealed.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Certain provisions for discharge repealed.

SECTION 1. Chapter 102 of the Laws of 1909 is hereby amended by striking out of said chapter 102 the following: SECT. 96. An enlisted man who continues in service after the expiration of his term of enlistment or re-enlistment shall, in case he desires a dis-

charge, give thirty days' written notice of application therefor to the officer authorized to grant the same, and such officer may, in his discretion, grant such discharge forthwith, or hold the same until the expiration of thirty days. Every enlisted man shall continue to be held to duty, retain his rank, and be eligible to promotion after the expiration of his term of enlistment or re-enlistment, so long as he, or the commanding officer of his company, omits to apply for his discharge.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 44.

AN ACT TO PUNISH THE MAKING OR USE OF FALSE STATEMENTS TO OBTAIN PROPERTY OR CREDIT.

SECTION

1. False statement to obtain credit, etc., prohibited.
2. Procurement of credit, etc., by such means prohibited.

SECTION

3. Reiteration of prior false statement prohibited.
4. Penalty for violation.
5. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. No person shall knowingly make or cause to be made, either directly or indirectly, or through any agency whatsoever, any false statement in writing, with intent that it shall be relied upon, respecting the financial condition, or means, or ability to pay, of himself or any other person, firm, or corporation in whom he is interested, or for whom he is acting, for the purpose of procuring in any form whatsoever, either the delivery of personal property, the payment of cash, the making of a loan or credit, the extension of a credit, the discount of an account receivable, or the making, acceptance, discount, sale, or indorsement of a bill of exchange or promissory note, for the benefit of himself or such other person, firm or corporation. False statement to obtain credit, etc., prohibited.

SECT. 2. No person, knowing that a false statement in writing has been made respecting the financial condition, or means, or ability to pay, of himself or any other person, firm, or corporation in which he is interested, or for whom he is acting, shall procure upon the faith thereof, for the benefit of himself or such other Procurement of credit thereby prohibited.

person, firm, or corporation, any of the things of benefit specified in section 1.

Reiteration of prior false statement prohibited.

SECT. 3. No person, knowing that a statement in writing has been made respecting the financial condition or ability to pay of himself, or any other person, firm, or corporation in which he is interested, or for whom he is acting, shall falsely represent in writing on a later day that such statement theretofore made, if then again made on said later day would then be true, and thereby procure for the benefit of himself or such other person, firm, or corporation, any of the things of benefit specified in section 1.

Penalty.

SECT. 4. A person who violates a provision of this act shall be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding one year, or both.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 45.

AN ACT RELATING TO PREFERENCES IN STATE CONTRACTS AND STATE WORK.

SECTION

1. Preference to be given New Hampshire bidders.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Preference to New Hampshire bidders.

SECTION 1. In the award of contracts for any construction, repairs, furnishing, or equipment to be paid for by money from the state treasury, preference shall be given to the New Hampshire persons, firms, and corporations submitting bids for the same; *provided*, that the responsibility of the bidders and the quality of the work to be done or articles to be furnished shall be equal to those proposed by bidders from without the state, and that the price demanded therefor is not greater than that proposed by said bidders from without the state.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 46.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 5, LAWS OF 1907, RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF HACKMEN, CARRIAGE DRIVERS, AUTOMOBILE DRIVERS, AND EXPRESSMEN.

SECTION

1. Defrauding of hackmen, etc., how punished.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That section 1 of chapter 5, Laws of 1907, be amended by inserting after the words "carriage driver" the words automobile driver, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. If any person, with intent to cheat or defraud, shall procure the transportation of himself, or of other persons, or of personal baggage or effects, by any hackman, carriage driver, automobile driver, or expressman, without paying therefor, he shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding three months.

Defrauding hackmen, etc., how punished.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 47.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 14, CHAPTER 169, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATIVE TO THE TAXATION OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

SECTION 1. Foreign insurance companies, how taxed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 14, chapter 169, of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 64, Laws of 1899, chapter 67, Laws of 1901, chapter 109, Laws of 1905, and chapter 78, Laws of 1909, by striking out the words "upon business done within" relating to life insurance companies and by inserting in place thereof the words: from residents of; so that said section shall read as follows: SECT. 14. Every such fire, marine, fidelity, and casualty insurance company shall pay to the state treasurer, within one month after receiving notice from the insurance commissioner of the amount

Foreign insurance companies, how taxed.

thereof, a tax of two per cent. upon the gross premiums received by it, less return premiums and reinsurance, when effected in authorized companies by the companies' licensed resident agents or in companies organized under the laws of this state, upon business done within the state, during the year ending on the thirty-first day of the preceding December, as assessed by the commissioner; and every such life insurance company shall pay to the state treasurer, within one month after receiving notice from the insurance commissioner of the amount thereof, a tax of two per cent. upon the gross premiums received by it from residents of the state during said year, less payments to residents of this state on account of death losses paid within the year; *provided, however*, that the tax assessed upon any such life insurance company shall not be less than an amount equal to one and one-half per cent. of the gross premiums received by it from residents of the state during said year.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 48.

AN ACT RELATING TO INJURIES UPON HIGHWAYS, AND IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1, CHAPTER 59, LAWS OF 1893.

SECTION

1. Town liable only if bound to maintain highway.
2. Town not liable for injury on state highway, etc.

SECTION

3. Repealing clause.
4. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Town liable only if bound to maintain highway.

SECTION 1. Amend section 1, chapter 59, Laws of 1893, by adding after the word "highway" in the fourth line the words, which the town has the duty of maintaining, and after the word "caused" in the tenth line the words, upon any highway, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. Towns are liable for damages happening to any person, his team or carriage, traveling upon a bridge, culvert, or sluiceway, or dangerous embankments and defective railings, upon any highway which the town has the duty of maintaining, by reason of any obstruction, defect, insufficiency, or want of repair of such bridge, culvert, or sluiceway, or dangerous embankments and defective railings, which renders it unsuitable for the travel thereon. But any person or

corporation, except municipal corporations, through whose negligence or carelessness any obstruction, defect, insufficiency, or want of repair is caused upon any highway, shall be liable to any person injured by reason thereof, and the damages may be recovered in an action on the case.

SECT. 2. Towns shall not be liable for such damages happening upon state roads within their borders, nor upon highways within their borders which are constructed or repaired in whole or in part by the state or by state aid, while such construction is in process or repairs being made, nor for thirty days after the construction or repairs are completed, but shall thereafter be liable as provided in section 1 of this act. Not liable for injury on state highway, etc.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed. Repealing clause.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 49.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO EXPENDITURES BY STATE DEPARTMENTS.

SECTION 1. To be approved by governor and council.	SECTION 2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The expenditure of any and all moneys appropriated or otherwise provided to carry on the work of any and all departments of the New Hampshire state government shall be subject to the approval of the governor, with the advice of the council, under such general regulations as the governor and council may prescribe with reference to all or any of such departments, for the purpose of securing the prudent and economical expenditures of the moneys appropriated for the use of each department. To be approved by governor and council.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 11, 1915.]

CHAPTER 50.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 155, LAWS OF 1909, IN RELATION
TO HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES ON TRUNK LINES.

SECTION

1. New bridge between Tilton and Belmont provided for.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

New bridge between Tilton and Belmont.

SECTION 1. Whenever, in the judgment of the governor and council, the bridge on the Merrimack Valley trunk-line highway, connecting the towns of Belmont and Tilton, shall appear inadequate for the increased travel due to the improvement of said highway, the governor and council may designate said bridge as a part of said highway, and direct the construction of a new and sufficient bridge at the expense of the state and towns, respectively, in the same manner provided for the construction and maintenance of said highway. The state's portion of the expense shall be a proper charge against any appropriations for the construction and maintenance of trunk lines.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved March 11, 1915.]

CHAPTER 51.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 35, LAWS OF 1905, AND OF CHAPTER 55, LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO STATE HIGHWAYS.

SECTION

1. Highway from Raymond to Massachusetts line provided for.
2. How built and maintained.

SECTION

3. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

Highway from Raymond to Massachusetts line provided for.

SECTION 1. That section 5 [4], chapter 155, Laws of 1909 (being section 15 added to chapter 104, Laws of 1907), as amended by chapter 55, Laws of 1911, be and hereby is amended by adding at the end of said amendment the following provision: The governor

and council are further authorized and empowered, whenever in their opinion the public good so requires, to designate for improvement by suitable description a continuous highway, beginning in Raymond at the cross-state road and running through the towns of Fremont, Kingston, Newton, and Plaistow to the Massachusetts state line.

SECT. 2. Said highway, when so designated by the governor and council, shall be built and maintained under the same provisions as the other highways mentioned in said added section 15.

How built and maintained.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 52.

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13 (b) OF CHAPTER 164, LAWS OF 1909, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 145, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OR LEASE OF A PUBLIC UTILITY.

SECTION

1. Transfer, etc., to be authorized by stockholders.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Sub-section (b) of section 13, chapter 164, Laws of 1911, as amended by section 13, chapter 145, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following words: If such public utility, or the other party to any such transfer, lease, or contract, be a corporation, such transfer, lease, or contract shall first be authorized by the vote of two-thirds of the shares of the capital stock of each of the interested corporations present and voting at meetings duly called to consider the subject; and all statutes regulating, protecting, and determining the rights of a dissenting stockholder of a railroad in the case of a lease or union with another railroad shall be applicable, and the rights of any stockholder of such corporation dissenting from such transfer, lease, or contract, if the same shall be authorized as above provided, shall be regulated, protected, and determined by such statutes; so that said sub-section (b) as amended shall read as follows: (b) Any public utility may transfer or lease its franchise, works, or system, or

Transfer, etc., to be authorized by stockholders.

any part of such franchise, works, or system, exercised or located in this state, or contract for the operation of its works and system located in this state, when the commission shall make an order assenting thereto, but not otherwise. The commission shall make such order in any case where it shall appear that the proposed transfer, lease, or contract would be for the public good, and not otherwise. Any such attempted transfer, lease, or contract shall be void unless the same shall have been approved by the commission. If such public utility, or the other party to any such transfer, lease, or contract, be a corporation, such transfer, lease, or contract shall first be authorized by the vote of two thirds of the shares of the capital stock of each of the interested corporations present and voting at meetings duly called to consider the subject; and all statutes regulating, protecting, and determining the rights of a dissenting stockholder of a railroad in the case of a lease or union with another railroad shall be applicable, and the rights of any stockholder of such corporation dissenting from such transfer, lease, or contract, if the same shall be authorized as above provided, shall be regulated, protected, and determined by such statutes.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 53.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2, CHAPTER 275, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO LARCENY AND RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS.

SECTION

1. Larceny of poultry, how punished.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That section 2, chapter 275, of the Public Statutes, be amended by adding the word poultry after the word "sheep," so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. If any person shall steal, take, and carry away any horse, mule, cattle, sheep, poultry, or swine, the property of another, he shall be imprisoned not exceeding seven years.

Larceny of poultry, how punished.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 54.

AN ACT RELATING TO LICENSES CONCERNING PROPERTY IN THIS STATE GRANTED TO EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, CONSERVATORS, OR GUARDIANS APPOINTED AND ACTING IN ANOTHER STATE.

SECTION

1. Formalities to be observed by foreign executor, etc.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. No license to sell real or personal property located in this state shall be granted by the probate court to an executor, administrator, trustee, conservator, or guardian appointed and acting in another state or foreign country unless such executor, administrator, trustee, conservator, or guardian shall file in the probate court, in the county where the property is situated, authenticated copies of his petition, bond, and appointment, issued by the court of competent jurisdiction of such other state or foreign country, establishing the fact that he is there duly appointed and acting as such executor, administrator, trustee, conservator, or guardian.

Formalities to be observed by foreign executor, etc.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 55.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SUBDIVISION IX OF SECTION 10, CHAPTER 50, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO THE POWERS OF CITY COUNCILS.

SECTION

1. Horses, etc., going at large, regulation of.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Subdivision IX of section 10, chapter 50, of the public Statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting instead thereof the following: IX. To regulate, restrain, or prohibit the keeping or running at large of horses,

Horses, etc., going at large, regulation of.

cattle, sheep, swine, geese, goats, and other poultry and animals, or any of them, to create the limits of districts within which the same may be kept and the conditions and restrictions under which they may be kept, to provide penalties for the violation of any ordinance or regulation relating thereto, not exceeding a fine of twenty dollars or imprisonment not exceeding thirty days for the first offense, or both, and not exceeding a fine of one hundred dollars or imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both, for any subsequent offense.

Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 56.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 35, LAWS OF 1899, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 4, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATORS.

SECTION

1. Conservator for person on his own application.

SECTION

2. Conservator to give bond like guardian.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Conservator for person on his own application.

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 35, Laws of 1899, as amended by chapter 4, Laws of 1913, by striking out the whole of said chapter and inserting in place thereof the following: SECTION 1. Whenever any person shall deem himself unfitted by reason of infirmities of age, or by other mental or physical disability, for the management of his affairs with prudence and understanding, he may apply to the court of probate for the county in which he resides, for the appointment of a conservator of his property, and thereupon the judge of probate for such county may, without notice or public hearing, appoint some suitable person as conservator for him.

Conservator to give bond.

SECT. 2. Such conservator shall give bonds to the judge of probate, with sufficient sureties, give notice of his appointment as guardians are required by law to do, and be subject to all provisions of law now in force as to guardians, so far as they apply to estates of their wards.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 57.

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 16, CHAPTER 220 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES,
RELATING TO THE ATTACHMENT OF BULKY ARTICLES.

SECTION 1. Officer not liable for excessive attachment, when.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 132, Laws of 1911, is further amended by adding after the word "aforesaid" in the last line thereof the following: and the officer shall not be liable for an excessive attachment, although the property so attached exceeds in value the amount of the damage claimed in the writ; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. The officer taking possession to levy upon or attaching grain unthreshed, hay, potatoes, leaf tobacco, lumber, bark, wood or other fuel, bricks, stone, lime, gypsum, ore, manufacturing or other machinery, hides in the process of tanning, any building situate on land not belonging to the owner of the building, portable engines, portable saw-mills, automobiles, doors, blinds, window sash, lumber in process of manufacture, pianos, organs, such hotel furniture and household goods as are not exempt from attachment or levy on execution, railroad cars in the process of building, cattle, sheep, horses, and other live animals which are subject to attachment, wagons, carriages, sleds, sleighs, and all other vehicles, flax in the raw state or in process of curing or manufacturing, tobacco in the process of curing, starch, flour, sugar, cotton in bales or in process of manufacturing, hops, saw-logs, ashes, stone, bark, hives of bees, hay scales, corn on the cob, cornstalks, corn in the husk, staves or shooks, derricks and the tackle and appendages connected therewith, utensils and apparatus kept on a farm for the manufacture of maple sugar, pig iron, bloomed iron, scrap iron, railroad iron, railroad ties, fence posts or rails, iron and steel safes, horse power and other threshing machines, stone channeling or cutting machines, drilling and marble boring machines, boats, launches, and all other articles which by reason of their size, situation, fluidity, explosive or inflammable qualities, are incapable of being conveniently taken into actual possession, may within forty-eight hours thereafter leave an attested copy of the writ and of his return of such taking possession or such attachment thereon at the home or office of the city or town clerk in the same manner as attachment of real estate is made, except as to place of filing the copy of the writ and return thereon; and in such cases the attachment shall not be dissolved or defeated by any neglect of the officer to take actual possession of the property.

Officer not liable
for excessive at-
tachment, when.

Service may be made on the defendant, before or after leaving the attested copy of the writ as aforesaid; and the officer shall not be liable for an excessive attachment, although the property so attached exceeds in value the amount of the damage claimed in the writ.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 58.

AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF BANK COMMISSIONERS AND ABOLISHING THE OFFICE OF STATE AUDITOR.

SECTION

1. Bank commissioner and deputy, tenure terminated.
2. Bank commissioners, appointment and removal of.
3. Duties of chairman.
4. Duties of board.
5. Office of state auditor abolished; state treasurer to perform duties.

SECTION

6. Bank commissioners to examine state accounts.
7. Salaries of commissioners; clerical and traveling expenses.
8. Prior act repealed; act takes effect May 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Tenure terminated.

SECTION 1. The tenure of office of the present bank commissioner and his deputy is hereby terminated upon the appointment of their successors as provided in this act.

Bank commissioners, appointment and removal of.

SECT. 2. The governor, with the approval of the council, shall appoint a board of three bank commissioners having the qualifications prescribed in section 2, of chapter 162, of the Public Statutes, one of whom shall be designated as chairman in his appointment. One commissioner shall be appointed for six years, one for four years, and one for two years, and upon the expiration of their terms of office their successors shall be appointed for a term of six years. In case of a vacancy occurring by death, resignation, or otherwise, it shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term. The commissioners shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. The governor and council may remove any member of the board for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office, after hearing with reasonable notice in writing of the charges against him. Not more than two members of the board shall be members of the same political party.

SECT. 3. The chairman of the board shall have general supervision of the work of the commission, and he shall be held responsible that proper examinations of institutions in charge of the bank commissioners are made, and he shall make the assignments of these examinations to himself and his associates.

Duties of chairman.

SECT. 4. The board of bank commissioners shall perform the duties now imposed by the laws of this state prior to the passage of this act upon the bank commissioner and his deputy, and all institutions now subject to examination by said commissioner and deputy are hereby made subject to a like examination by the board of bank commissioners created by this act.

Duties of board.

SECT. 5. The office of state auditor is hereby abolished and chapter 75, Laws of 1909, and all amendments thereto, are hereby repealed. The state treasurer shall prepare and submit to the governor and council all bills against the state in the same manner that he was required to do before the passage of the act creating the office of auditor, and his annual report shall show the same details of receipts and disbursements that it contained prior to the passage of the act creating the office of auditor. In addition, the treasurer's report shall show the aggregate amount of funded debt of the state, all unexpended appropriations for the year in two classes, namely, unexpended appropriations that have lapsed by the end of the fiscal year in one class and unexpended appropriations which continue as a liability or charge upon the treasury in the other class, and all temporary loans at the beginning and end of each year respectively, and the balance of increase or decrease, and state the cause of such increase or decrease. It shall state whether or not the ordinary expenses of the year have exceeded the income and show the amount of the balance. It shall contain a particular statement of all transactions affecting the funds belonging to or held in trust by the state, including new investments of any portion of the same made during the preceding year. Such report shall include an estimate for two years of the ordinary and other revenues of the state and of the expenses of the departments, boards, commissions, and all persons acting under the authority of the state. The state treasurer is hereby authorized, with the approval of the governor and council, to employ such additional clerical assistance as is required by this transfer of duties to his office.

Office of state auditor abolished; state treasurer to perform duties.

SECT. 6. The board of bank commissioners, whenever directed by the governor and council, shall make an examination of the state treasurer's accounts and of the accounts of such other departments handling the funds of the state as the governor and council may direct.

Examination of state accounts.

SECT. 7. The annual salary of the chairman of the board of bank commissioners shall be three thousand dollars, and the annual salary of each of his associates shall be twenty-five hundred dol-

Salaries: clerical and traveling expenses.

lars. The commission shall have authority to appoint a clerk at an annual salary of one thousand dollars, and they shall be allowed their actual traveling expenses when engaged in their official duties upon approval of the governor and council.

Prior act repealed; act takes effect May 1, 1915.

SECT. 8. Chapter 146, Laws of 1913, is hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect May 1, 1915.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 59.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 264 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE POLICE OF TOWNS.

SECTION

1. Offenses against police of towns, how punished.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Police offenses, how punished.

SECTION 1. Amend section 20, chapter 264, of the Public Statutes, by striking out the words "twenty dollars" and by inserting in place thereof the words ten dollars, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 20. A person convicted of any offense mentioned in the preceding sections shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding six months.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 60.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF "AN ACT ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL COURTS AND ABOLISHING EXISTING POLICE COURTS," APPROVED MARCH 4, 1915.

SECTION

1. Clerks to receive and account for fines, etc.

SECTION

2. Salaries of justices.
3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 3 of an act passed at the 1915 session of the legislature and approved March 4, 1915, entitled "An act establishing municipal courts and abolishing existing police courts," by inserting after the word "shall" and before the word "pay" of said section 3 the words, except in cases where otherwise specifically fixed by statute; so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 3. The clerk shall receive all fines, forfeitures, and costs paid into the municipal court from any source, and after deducting fees of officers and witnesses, cost of clerk's bond, if any, court seal, record books, printing blanks, and such other expenses as may be legally incurred in the maintenance and conduct of said court, shall, except in cases where otherwise specifically fixed by statute, pay the same over to the treasurer of the city or town wherein the said court is located, for the use of said city or town. Such payments shall be made monthly, on or before the fifth day of each month, and shall cover the net receipts as aforesaid of the said court for the month preceding, with a detailed statement of the amount, date, and from whom all moneys have been received. When so required by vote of the city government or the selectmen of a town, the clerk of a municipal court shall give bond in such sum as may be designated and to the satisfaction of such person or persons as by said vote shall be designated, for the proper performance of his duty.

SECT. 2. Amend section 10 of said act by striking out the whole of said section after the words "four hundred dollars" and substituting therefor the following: in towns of not more than five thousand and not less than thirty-five hundred inhabitants, three hundred dollars; in towns of less than thirty-five hundred inhabitants, one hundred dollars and such further sum as such town may vote; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 10. Salaries of justices of municipal courts shall be paid from the treasury of the city or town in which such courts are located, may be paid quarterly or monthly, and shall be in the following sums per annum: in cities of more than fifty thousand inhabitants, eight-

een hundred dollars; in cities of more than twenty-five thousand and less than fifty thousand inhabitants, fifteen hundred dollars; in cities of more than twenty thousand and less than twenty-five thousand inhabitants, twelve hundred dollars; in cities of more than ten thousand and less than twenty thousand inhabitants, eight hundred dollars, except Portsmouth, which shall be one thousand dollars; in cities and towns of not less than seventy-five hundred and not more than ten thousand inhabitants, six hundred dollars; in cities and towns of not less than five thousand and not more than seventy-five hundred inhabitants, four hundred dollars; in towns of not more than five thousand and not less than thirty-five hundred inhabitants, three hundred dollars; in towns of less than thirty-five hundred inhabitants, one hundred dollars and such further sum as such town may vote.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 61.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 9 AND 10, CHAPTER 162, LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO CHILD LABOR.

SECTION

1. Employment certificates, who may issue.
2. Vacation certificates, requisites of.

SECTION

3. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Employment certificates, who may issue.

SECTION 1. Section 9 of chapter 162, Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "superintendent" in the third line of said section the words, or in the absence of the superintendent, so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 9. An employment certificate shall be issued only by the superintendent of schools, or where there is no superintendent, or in the absence of the superintendent, by a person authorized by the school board, *provided, however,* that no person authorized as aforesaid shall have authority to issue such certificate for any child then in or about to enter such person's own employment, or in the employment of a firm or corporation of which he is a member, officer or employee; in the city of Manchester the provisions of chapter 205 of the Ses-

sion Laws of 1905 shall remain in force, but the person appointed under such provisions shall be subject to the terms of this act.

SECT. 2. Section 10 of chapter 162, Laws of 1911 is hereby amended by inserting after the last paragraph thereof the following paragraph: *Provided, however,* that a certificate which shall be valid only during a vacation period of the school year may be issued without requiring any certificate of school record; nor shall an ability to read understandingly and write legibly simple sentences in the English language be a prerequisite to the issuance of such certificate. Said certificate shall plainly state on the face thereof the beginning and ending of the period during which it shall be valid, such period in no case to exceed three months; but in all respects other than the above such certificates shall comply with the provisions of this chapter; so that section 10 as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 10. The person authorized to issue an employment certificate shall not issue such certificate until he has received, examined, approved, and filed the following papers duly executed: (1) The school record of such child properly filled out and signed, as provided in this act. (2) A passport or duly attested transcript of the certificate of birth or baptism or public record, showing the date and place of birth of such child. (3) A certificate from a medical officer of the local board of health, or from a physician designated by the school board, certifying that the child has reached the normal development of a child of his age, and that he is in sufficiently sound health and physically able to perform the work which he intends to do. *Provided, however,* that a certificate which shall be valid only during a vacation period of the school year may be issued without requiring any certificate of school record; nor shall an ability to read understandingly and write legibly simple sentences in the English language be a prerequisite to the issuance of such certificate. Said certificate shall plainly state on the face thereof the beginning and ending of the period during which it shall be valid, such period in no case to exceed three months; but in all respects other than the above such certificates shall comply with the provisions of this chapter.

Vacation certificates, prerequisites of.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 62.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 4, CHAPTER 48, LAWS OF 1907, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR PREVENTING THE MANUFACTURE OR SALE OF ADULTERATED, OR MISBRANDED, OR POISONOUS, OR DELETERIOUS FOODS, DRUGS, MEDICINES, AND LIQUORS."

SECTION 1. False statement as to curative effect is misbranding.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

False statement as to curative effect misbranding.

SECTION 1. Section 4, chapter 48, Laws of 1907, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph: Third. If the package or label shall bear or contain any statement, design, or device regarding the curative or therapeutic effects of such article, or any of the ingredients or substance contained therein, which is false or fraudulent.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 63.

AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE BROKERS, IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 29, LAWS OF 1905.

SECTION

- 1. Insurance brokers, how licensed.
- 2. Limited license provided for.
- 3. Insurer chargeable with broker's knowledge.

SECTION

- 4. Clerks not to be licensed.
- 5. Existing licenses saved.
- 6. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Insurance brokers, how licensed.

SECTION 1. The insurance commissioner may upon the payment of ten dollars issue to any suitable person resident in this state, or resident in any other state granting insurance brokers' licenses to residents of this state, a license to act as an insurance broker to negotiate contracts of insurance or reinsurance, or place risks, or effect insurance or reinsurance, with any qualified domestic insurance company or its agent, or with the authorized agent in this state of any foreign insurance company duly admitted to do busi-

ness in this state, upon the following conditions: The applicant for such a license shall file with the insurance commissioner an application which shall be in writing upon a form to be provided by the commissioner and shall be executed by the applicant under oath and kept on file by the insurance commissioner. Such application shall state the name, age, residence, and occupation of the applicant at the time of making application, his occupation for the five years next preceding the date of filing the application, and shall state that the applicant intends to hold himself out and carry on business in good faith as an insurance broker, and shall give such other information as the commissioner may require. The application shall be accompanied by a statement upon a blank furnished by the insurance commissioner as to the trustworthiness and competency of the applicant, signed by at least three reputable citizens of this state. If the insurance commissioner is satisfied that the applicant is trustworthy and competent and intends to hold himself out and carry on business in good faith as an insurance broker, he shall issue to him the license applied for. The commissioner may at any time after the granting of a broker's license, for cause shown and after a hearing, determine that the licensee has not complied with the insurance laws or is not trustworthy or competent, or is not holding himself out and actually carrying on business as an insurance broker, or is not a suitable person to act as such broker, and he shall thereupon revoke the license of such broker and notify him that his license has been revoked. A broker's license shall remain in force one year from its date, unless sooner revoked by the insurance commissioner for cause. The commissioner shall publish a notice of the revocation of a broker's license in such manner as he deems proper for the protection of the public. No fee for the license aforesaid shall be required of any agent of a foreign insurance company whose license fees as such agent amount to ten dollars; and in case his license fees as such agent are less than ten dollars, then he shall be required to pay such amount as with such fees shall amount to ten dollars. Brokers' licenses issued on applications as herein provided may, in the discretion of the insurance commissioner, be renewed upon the payment of the proper fees without his requiring anew the details required in the original application.

SECT. 2. In addition to issuing licenses giving the full authority Limited licenses. to the licensee as set forth in section 1 of this act, the insurance commissioner is authorized at his discretion to issue insurance broker's licenses which limit the authority of the licensee to the extent agreed upon with the applicant and set forth in the license issued to him.

SECT. 3. Companies issuing policies through their agents on ap- Insurer chargeable with broker's knowledge. plications from brokers shall be charged with the broker's knowledge of facts to the same extent as if he were their agent.

Clerks not to be licensed.

SECT. 4. No license under this act shall be required for salaried office clerks of insurance agents covering acts performed within the offices of such agents.

Existing licenses saved.

SECT. 5. Insurance brokers' licenses in effect at the time of the passage of this act shall remain in force for one year from their date unless sooner revoked by the commissioner for cause.

Repealing clause: act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 6. Chapter 29, Laws of 1905, and all amendments thereto, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 64.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 4, CHAPTER 40, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF TOWNS.

SECTION

1. May appropriate money for anniversary celebrations.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

May appropriate money for anniversary celebrations.

SECTION 1. Section 4, chapter 40, of the Public Statutes, is amended by inserting after the words "history of the town" the words, to appropriate money for the celebration of anniversaries, so that said section 4 as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 4. Towns may, at any legal meeting, grant and vote such sums of money as they shall judge necessary to support schools; to build and repair schoolhouses; to maintain the poor; to lay out, build and repair highways and sidewalks; to build and repair bridges; to light streets; to repair meeting-houses owned by the town so far as to render them useful for town purposes; to aid hospitals; to aid visiting or district nurse associations; to encourage volunteer enlistments in case of war or rebellion; to procure and erect a monument or memorial building to perpetuate the memory of such soldiers belonging thereto as may have sacrificed their lives in the service of their country, including a suitable lot therefor and fence for its protection; to defray the expense of decorating the graves of soldiers and sailors who have served in the army or navy of the United

States in time of war, not exceeding three hundred dollars yearly, to be given to and expended by committees appointed by the Grand Army of the Republic or by committees appointed by the Spanish War Veterans, so long as they shall continue the services of Memorial Day as originally established and at present observed by that organization, and thereafter to such persons or organization as shall continue such services in the several towns; to provide and maintain armories for military organizations stationed therein which form part of the New Hampshire National Guard or reserved militia, not exceeding two hundred dollars yearly for each organization; to provide means for the extinguishment of fires; to establish and maintain public libraries and reading rooms, or to assist in the maintenance of any library or reading room that is kept open for the free use of all the inhabitants of the town; to establish cemeteries, and parks or commons, and to improve the same; to provide and maintain receiving tombs; to set out and care for shade and ornamental trees in highways, cemeteries, commons, and other public places; to issue and distribute circulars, pamphlets, photographs, and other written or printed matter calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of said towns; to provide and maintain suitable coasting and skating places, not exceeding five hundred dollars yearly; to establish, equip, and maintain suitable places for public playgrounds; to aid free public band concerts, not exceeding eight hundred dollars annually; to procure the detection and apprehension of any person committing a felony therein; to prepare and publish the history of the town; to appropriate money for the celebration of anniversaries; to maintain and record weather observations; to defray the expenses of observing Old Home week; and for all necessary charges arising within the town; but no money shall be raised or appropriated at any special town meeting except by vote by ballot, nor unless the ballots cast at such meeting shall be equal in number to at least one half of the number of legal voters borne on the checklist of the town at the annual or biennial election next preceding such special meeting; and such checklist may be used at such meeting upon the request of ten legal voters of the town.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 65.

AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTION 2, CHAPTER 104, LAWS OF 1901, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 1, CHAPTER 1, LAWS OF 1909, RELATING TO THE TRIAL OF PERSONS FOR MURDER, AND TO REPEAL SECTION 5, CHAPTER 278, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 1, CHAPTER 24, LAWS OF 1899, AND BY SECTION 1, CHAPTER 114, LAWS OF 1903, AND TO REPEAL SECTION 3, CHAPTER 278, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES.

SECTION

1. Prior provisions repealed.
2. Arraignment and trial for murder; one justice may preside.

SECTION

3. Murder, how punishable.
4. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Prior provisions repealed.

SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 104, Laws of 1901, as amended by section 1, chapter 1, Laws of 1909, relating to the trial of persons for murder, and section 5, chapter 278, of the Public Statutes, as amended by section 1, chapter 24, Laws of 1899, and by section 1, chapter 114, Laws of 1903, and section 3, chapter 278, of the Public Statutes, are hereby repealed.

Arraignment and trial for murder.

SECT. 2. A person indicted for murder in either degree may be arraigned before the court holden by one justice. If he shall plead guilty of murder in the first degree, the court may immediately impose a sentence of imprisonment for life, or the court may submit to a jury the question of punishment, whether it shall be imprisonment for life or capital punishment. If he shall plead guilty to any offense less than murder in the first degree, the court shall impose sentence according to law, provided such plea shall be accepted by the court. If he pleads not guilty, the court may assign him counsel and take other measures preparatory to a trial. At the trial of a person indicted for murder in any degree one justice may preside.

Murder, how punishable.

SECT. 3. The punishment of murder in the first degree shall be death or imprisonment for life, as the jury may determine, except as provided for in section 2 of this act; and the punishment of murder in the second degree shall be imprisonment for life, or for such term as the court having cognizance of the offense may order. If the jury shall find the respondent guilty of murder in the first degree, the punishment shall be life imprisonment unless the jury shall add to their verdict the words, with capital punishment.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 66.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 168, LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED
 "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE HIGHWAY CONNECTING THE MERRI-
 MACK VALLEY ROAD WITH THE EAST SIDE ROUTE."

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| SECTION
1. Proportion of state aid to towns. | | SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage. |
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
 General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Section 4 of chapter 168, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 4. Towns through which such highway shall pass shall receive from funds herein provided one half the cost of such improvements within their limits; all state roads in said towns are hereby made a part of the system of highways of the town, and are to be town highways. If in the judgment of the highway commissioner towns through which said highway passes are entitled to a greater proportion of state aid than herein provided, said highway commissioner is hereby authorized to allow to said towns such further sums as may be equitable.

Proportion of state aid to towns.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 67.

AN ACT AGAINST FALSE OR FRAUDULENT PRESCRIPTIONS BY PHYSICIANS.

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| SECTION
1. Prescription for intoxicating liquor, form of.
2. Cancellation of prescriptions.
3. False or fraudulent prescription, what deemed. | | SECTION
4. Duty of license commissioners and special agents.
5. Repealing clause; act takes effect May 1, 1915. |
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
 General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Before a physician shall give to any person a prescription for intoxicating liquor, the physician shall make a diagnosis of the disease of the person applying for the prescription, and he shall exercise the same professional skill and care in giving a

Prescription for intoxicating liquor, form of.

prescription for intoxicating liquor as in giving a prescription for any poisonous drug. The prescription for intoxicating liquor for medicinal use shall be in the following form:

State of New Hampshire,
City or Town of.....

I.....a regular practicing physician under the laws of New Hampshire, do hereby certify that I have examined....., a patient under my care, and I do hereby prescribe.....(quantity).....of.....(kind of liquor).....; and I further certify that in my opinion such liquor is necessary to cure or alleviate the disease from which the patient is suffering.
(Signed).....M. D.

Cancellation of prescriptions.

SECT. 2. Every prescription given by a physician for intoxicating liquor for medicinal use shall be cancelled in the manner, and be subject to the regulations, prescribed in sections 22, 23, 24, and 25, of chapter 95, Laws of 1903, and amendments thereto.

False or fraudulent prescription, what deemed.

SECT. 3. The failure or neglect of a physician to make the examination and exercise the care in giving a prescription for intoxicating liquor, as specified in section 1 of this act, or any violation of the provisions of this act, shall be deemed making a false or fraudulent prescription, under the terms and penalties of section 25, of chapter 95, Laws of 1903, as amended by section 15, of chapter 49, Laws of 1905.

Duty of license commissioners and special agents.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the state board of license commissioners, in the administration of the license law in its application to druggists holding licenses of the fifth class, to direct the particular attention of the special agents to sales made by such druggists on physicians' prescriptions; and if there shall be found reason to believe that any physician has violated any of the provisions of this act in giving a prescription for intoxicating liquor, the board of license commissioners shall bring the matter to the attention of the attorney-general for his official investigation and action thereon.

Repealing clause; act takes effect May 1, 1915.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect May 1, 1915.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 68.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2, CHAPTER 88, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 52, LAWS OF 1909, RELATING TO SCHOOL TAXES.

SECTION

1. School money, how raised.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 88, of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 52, Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "enumerated" the following: with such alterations thereof as may be voted by the district; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. The school board of each district in their annual report shall state in detail the sums of money which will be required during the ensuing fiscal year for the purchase of text-books, scholars' supplies, flags, and appurtenances, and for the payment of the tuition of the scholars of the district in high schools and academies, in accordance with chapter 96 of the Laws of 1901, and for the payment of all other statutory obligations of the district. The selectmen of the town, in their next annual assessment, shall assess upon the taxable polls and property of the district a sum sufficient to meet the obligations above enumerated, with such alterations thereof as may be voted by the district, and when collected shall pay the same over to the district treasurer.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 69.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1, CHAPTER 126, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 32, LAWS OF 1901, RELATING TO THE WEIGHT OF LOAVES OF BREAD.

SECTION

1. Weight of bread regulated.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 126, of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 32, Laws of 1901, is hereby amended by strik-

Weight of bread regulated.

ing out all of said section after the words "shall weigh either" and inserting in place thereof the words, twelve ounces, one pound, a pound and a half, twenty-eight ounces, two pounds, two pounds and a half, three pounds, or four pounds, so that said section shall read as follows: SECTION 1. Loaves of soft bread offered for sale shall weigh either twelve ounces, one pound, a pound and a half, twenty-eight ounces, two pounds, two pounds and a half, three pounds, or four pounds.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 70.

AN ACT TO REGULATE OFFICE HOURS IN STATE DEPARTMENTS.

SECTION

1. Office hours prescribed.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Office hours prescribed.

SECTION 1. All state offices and departments in the state house shall be open continuously for the transaction of public business between the hours of eight-thirty o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon each day of the week except Sunday; *provided*, that such offices and departments may be closed on legal holidays and on Saturday afternoons throughout the year, if not incompatible with public business; and *provided, further*, that the provisions of this section may be suspended by the governor and council as to any department when in their judgment the necessities of such department may make such suspension justifiable.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 71.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 43, LAWS OF 1903, RELATING TO STATE NURSERY INSPECTOR.

SECTION

- 1. Nursery inspector, how appointed.
- 2. Violations, how prosecuted.

SECTION

- 3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 1 of chapter 43, Laws of 1903, by striking out the words "state board of agriculture" in the first line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words commissioner of agriculture, and by striking out the word "board" in the fourth line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the word commissioner, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: Nursery inspector, how appointed.

SECTION 1. The commissioner of agriculture shall annually appoint some person qualified by scientific training and practical experience, to be state nursery inspector, and he shall be responsible to the commissioner for the performance of his duties as prescribed in this act. The said inspector may appoint such number of deputies, not exceeding two, as he may deem necessary or expedient.

SECT. 2. Amend section 7 of chapter 43, Laws of 1903, by striking out the words "secretary of the state board" and inserting in lieu thereof the word commissioner, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: Violations, how prosecuted.

SECT. 7. All parties violating this act shall be prosecuted by the commissioner of agriculture.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 72.

AN ACT TO ENLARGE THE POWERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

SECTION

- 1. Districts may raise money, for what purposes.

SECTION

- 2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 3, chapter 89, of the public Statutes, as amended by chapter 55, Laws of 1913, by inserting after the word "outbuildings" the following: and buildings to be used for Districts may raise money, for what purposes.

occupancy by the teachers in the employ of such school district; so that said section shall read: SECT. 3. School districts may raise money to procure land for schoolhouse lots and for the enlargement of existing lots; to build, purchase, rent, repair, or remove schoolhouses and outbuildings, and buildings to be used for occupancy by the teachers in the employ of such school district; to procure insurance; to plant and care for shade and ornamental trees upon schoolhouse lots; to provide suitable furniture, books, maps, charts, apparatus, and conveniences for schools; and to pay debts. School districts may at any legal meeting holden therein, by a majority of the legal voters present and voting at the meeting, authorize its school board to hire money for any of the purposes above mentioned, of individuals living in the town in which such school district is located, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent. per annum, and provided that all moneys thus loaned shall be exempt from taxation.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 73.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3, CHAPTER 169, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATIVE TO FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES AND THEIR AGENTS.

SECTION

1. Mutual insurance company, prerequisites for license.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Mutual insurance company, prerequisites for license.

SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 169, of the Public Statutes, as amended by section 1, chapter 217, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by adding after the words "provided that such a mutual company, if authorized to transact the business of boiler and fly-wheel insurance only, and also by striking out the word "not" as it appears in the nineteenth line of section 1, chapter 217, Laws of 1913, so that said section 3 as amended by this bill shall read as follows: SECT. 3. No such mutual insurance company shall be licensed to do business in the state, unless it shall possess two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,-

000) of cash assets invested as provided in the preceding section, nor unless its assets equal its outstanding liabilities, including reinsurance, to be estimated as in the case of joint stock insurance companies, and including also the amount of its guaranteed capital. *Provided*, that such a mutual company, if authorized to transact the business of fire insurance only, or the business of boiler and fly-wheel insurance only, may be licensed if it possesses a surplus of not less than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000), with also invested assets of not less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), with additional contingent assets of not less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000); or if it possesses a surplus equal to its total liability, with also invested assets of not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), which surplus shall be well invested and immediately available for the payment of losses in this state; *provided further*, that such company shall insure on no single hazard an amount larger than one tenth of its net assets, and that it has transacted business in its home state at least five years prior to the date of applying for admission to this state.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 74.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 3, CHAPTER 137, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO WITNESSES TO DEEDS.

SECTION

1. One witness to deed required.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That section 3, chapter 137, of the Public Statutes, be amended by striking out the word "two" in the third line thereof and inserting in place thereof the word one; so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows: SECT. 3. Every deed or other conveyance of real estate shall be signed and sealed by the party granting the same, attested by one or more witnesses, acknowledged by the grantor before a justice, notary public, or commissioner, or before a minister or consul of the United States in a foreign country, and shall be recorded at length in the registry of deeds in the county in which the land lies.

One witness required.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 75.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE EQUALIZED VALUATION PER PUPIL OF AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN.

SECTION

- 1. Equalized valuation, how determined.
- 2. Apportionment of state aid.

SECTION

- 3. Teachers' fund, how apportioned.
- 4. Takes effect July 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Equalized valuation, how determined.

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 138, Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section, and substituting therefor the following: SECTION 1. The "equalized valuation per pupil of average attendance," as the term is used in chapter 158, Laws of 1909, shall be determined for the town district of Boscawen, and for so much of the town of Boscawen as may be joined in the Union School District of Penacook, in manner following: The equalized valuation of said town district and for the part of said Boscawen joined in the Union School District of Penacook shall be the equalized valuation of the town of Boscawen. The "average attendance" for the purposes of chapter 158, Laws of 1909, shall, applied to said town of Boscawen, be the average attendance of all pupils domiciled with parents or guardians in said Boscawen, who attend school in either the town district, so called, or in the Union School District of Penacook. For the purposes of this act, so much of the town of Boscawen as may be joined in the Union School District of Penacook shall be considered as an independent school district of said Boscawen.

Apportionment of state aid.

SECT. 2. The funds accruing to the town of Boscawen under the provisions of section 2, chapter 158, Laws of 1909, as hereby amended, shall be apportioned to the said school districts in the manner following: To each of said districts a sum in proportion to the total fund received by the town, as the average attendance in such district of pupils domiciled with parents or guardians in said Boscawen may be to the total average attendance of pupils domiciled with parents or guardians in said Boscawen.

Graduate teachers' fund, how apportioned.

SECT. 3. The funds accruing to the town of Boscawen under the provisions of section 3, chapter 158, Laws of 1909, shall be apportioned to each of said school districts according to the number of teachers actually employed in the town district and the number of teachers actually employed in the Union District as described above for the purposes of this act.

Takes effect July 1, 1915.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 1915.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 76.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 187 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO THE PROBATE OF WILLS.

SECTION

1. Executor to give notice of legacy.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Chapter 187 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section: SECT. 15. Every executor shall, within sixty days after his appointment, notify each legatee specifically named in the will, of the fact that such legatee appears to be interested therein; and every executor shall, within ninety days after his appointment, certify to the judge of probate that notice as herein required has been given, stating in what manner and to whom. The notice herein required shall be in form prescribed by the probate court, and shall be delivered by such executor to such legatee in person or by sending the same by mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the last known place of residence or place of business of such legatee. When the legatee is a corporation, association, or institution, notice shall be given to the president or treasurer thereof; provided, however, that if such legatee shall not be living, or such corporation, association, or institution shall have discontinued business, notice by mail as herein required shall be sufficient.

Executor to give notice of legacy.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 77.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 7, CHAPTER 177, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY BY GUARDIANS.

SECTION 1. License to guardian, etc., to sell personalty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 7, chapter 177, of the Public Statutes, by striking out the whole of said section and inserting instead thereof the following: SECT. 7. Any guardian or conser-

License to guardian, etc., to sell personalty.

vator, after the return of the inventory of the personal estate of his ward, may, within six months after the filing thereof, apply to the judge of probate by petition for a license to sell the same, except notes, bonds, stocks, and other written evidences of debt, and the judge of probate shall by license authorize the sale of the same, either by auction or private sale; and if no sale shall be made by license of the judge of probate, the guardian or conservator shall be chargeable for the appraised value thereof, except such goods and chattels as have been kept for the use of his ward. If the guardian has conducted the sale thereof with fidelity, the judge of probate shall charge him in the settlement of his account only for the amount of such sale.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 78.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE RATES OF TELEPHONE COMPANIES.

SECTION

1. To be under supervision of public service commission.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

To be under supervision of public service commission.

SECTION 1. All telephone companies doing business in this state shall, within sixty days after the passage of this act, establish and file with the public service commission schedules of rates and charges for telephone service for periods of from three to eleven months inclusive. Different rates may be established for such service under varying conditions affecting the cost of rendering the same, but all such rates and the practices with respect to such service shall be in all respects just and reasonable and shall be subject to the same supervision and control by the public service commission as other rates and practices of such companies.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. Chapter 141 of the Laws of 1909 is hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 79.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 1 AND 9, CHAPTER 59, LAWS OF 1901, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROTECT AND REGULATE THE USE OF THE NAME OR TITLE OF VETERINARY SURGEON OR V. S."

SECTION

1. Use of title "veterinary surgeon" regulated.

SECTION

2. Unauthorized use, how punished.
3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 1, chapter 59, Laws of 1901, by inserting after the letter "S" in the second line thereof the following words: or practice veterinary medicine or surgery, or any branch thereof, or shall directly or indirectly receive or accept any compensation as a practitioner of veterinary medicine or surgery, under the pretense that he is a regular professional veterinary surgeon; so that said section as amended shall read: SECTION 1. No person shall use the name or title of veterinary surgeon or V. S., or practice veterinary medicine or surgery, or any branch thereof, or shall directly or indirectly receive or accept any compensation as a practitioner of veterinary medicine or surgery, under the pretense that he is a regular professional veterinary surgeon, in this state, after the first day of June, 1901, unless such person shall be registered in accordance with this act.

SECT. 2. Amend section 9 of said chapter by inserting after the letter "S" in the second line thereof the following: or practice as such under false pretense; so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 9. Any person who shall use the name or title of veterinary surgeon or V. S., or practice as such under false pretense, in contravention to the provisions of this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be fined for each offense the sum of fifty dollars.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 80.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE POWERS OF CORPORATIONS, AND IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 150, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY OF CORPORATORS.

SECTION

- 1. Fifty per cent. of authorized capital may be issued.
- 2. Individual liability of stockholders.

SECTION

- 3. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Fifty per cent. of authorized capital may be issued.

SECTION 1. Any corporation now existing or which may hereafter be established under the laws of this state, which has a capital stock and has among its objects a division of profits among its stockholders, may vote to issue shares of its capital stock to an amount not less than fifty per cent. of the total amount lawfully fixed and limited. If any such corporation shall so vote, it shall thereupon cause to be filed in the office of the clerk of the town in which its principal place of business is located and in the office of the secretary of state a certified copy of the vote and a certificate under oath, signed by its treasurer and a majority of its directors, stating the total amount of capital stock which the corporation is authorized to issue, the total amount which it has voted to issue, and that the whole amount of capital stock which the corporation has so voted to issue has been paid in in cash or property at a fair valuation.

Individual liability of stockholders.

SECT. 2. Section 8, chapter 150, of the Public Statutes, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "corporation," in the fourth line thereof, the following words: or in the event that the corporation has voted to issue stock to an amount less than the whole amount of its authorized capital, the amount which the corporation has voted to issue; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 8. Every stockholder, except stockholders in banks and railroads, shall be liable for all debts and contracts of the corporation until the whole amount of the capital fixed and limited by the corporation, or in the event that the corporation has voted to issue stock to an amount less than the whole amount of its authorized capital, the amount which the corporation has voted to issue, shall have been paid in, and a certificate thereof, under oath, signed by the treasurer and a majority of the directors, has been filed and recorded by the clerk of the city or town where such corporation has its principal place of business, and not afterward, except in the cases specified in the preceding section. Stockholders in

railroads shall be liable only to the amount of the par value of their stock therein and not otherwise.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 81.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 43, LAWS OF 1901, RELATING TO THE SALE OF FERTILIZERS.

SECTION 1. Prior provisions amended.		SECTION 2. Takes effect on pasage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 43, Laws of 1901, by striking out all of sections 2, 3, 7, and 8, and inserting in place thereof the following: Prior provisions amended.

SECT. 2. Before any commercial fertilizer is sold or offered or exposed for sale, the manufacturer, importer, or party who causes it to be sold or offered for sale, within this state, shall file with the commissioner of agriculture a certified copy of the statement named in section 1 of this act, and shall also deposit with said commissioner, at his request, a sealed glass jar or bottle containing not less than one pound of the fertilizer, accompanied by an affidavit that it is a fair average sample thereof. Analysis and sample to be furnished.

SECT. 3. The manufacturer, importer, agent, or seller of any brand of commercial fertilizer or fertilizer material shall pay for each brand on or before the first day of March, annually, to the commissioner of agriculture an analysis fee, as follows, namely: ten dollars for the phosphoric acid, five dollars for the nitrogen, and five dollars for the potash, contained or claimed to be in the said brand of fertilizer, but the fee for any brand shall not exceed fifteen dollars; *provided*, that whenever the manufacturer or importer shall have paid the fee herein required, any person acting as agent or seller for such manufacturer or importer shall not be required to pay the fee named in this section. Analysis fees required.

SECT. 7. The commissioner of agriculture shall annually cause to be analyzed at the New Hampshire College agricultural experiment station one or more samples of every commercial fertilizer or Analysis by commissioner of agriculture, how made.

fertilizer material sold or offered for sale under the provisions of this act. Said commissioner shall cause a sample to be taken, not exceeding two pounds in weight, for said analysis, from any lot or package of such fertilizer or fertilizer material which may be in the possession of any manufacturer, importer, agent, or dealer in this state; but said sample shall be drawn in the presence of the parties in interest or their representatives and taken from a parcel or a number of packages, which shall not be less than ten per cent. of the whole lot sampled, and shall be thoroughly mixed and then divided into equal samples and placed in glass vessels and carefully sealed and a label placed on each, stating the name or brand of the fertilizer or material sampled, the name of the party from whose stock the sample was drawn, and the time and place of drawing, and said label shall also be signed by the person taking the sample and by the party or parties in interest, or their representative present at the drawing and sealing of said samples; one of said duplicate samples shall be retained by the commissioner and the other by the party whose stock was sampled, and the sample retained by the commissioner shall be for comparison with the certified statement named in section 1. The result of the analysis of the samples shall be published from time to time, together with such additional information as circumstances may advise, in reports of bulletins by the commissioner of agriculture or by the New Hampshire College agricultural experiment station as the governor and council may determine. All parties violating this act shall be prosecuted by the commissioner of agriculture.

License fees,
how expended.

SECT. 8. The amount of license fees received by said commissioner by virtue of this act shall be paid by him to the treasurer of the state of New Hampshire. The treasurer of the state of New Hampshire shall pay from such amount, when duly approved, the moneys required for the expense incurred in making the inspection required by this act and enforcing the provisions thereof. Said expenses shall include those incurred for laboratory expenses, chemical supplies, traveling expenses, printing, and other necessary matters.

Takes effect on
passage.

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

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 82.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE POWERS OF CORPORATIONS.

SECTION

1. Stock dividends authorized.
2. Certain corporations excepted.

SECTION

3. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Any corporation now existing or which may here-
after be established under the laws of this state, which has a capital
stock and has among its objects a division of profits among its stock-
holders, may capitalize its undivided surplus profits by issuing to
its stockholders certificates of stock representing their respective
shares of the whole, or such part thereof as the corporation may
determine, of any surplus profits belonging to the corporation and
represented by cash or property. For this surplus the corporation
may increase its capital stock within the limits provided by law; but
no issue of stock representing undivided surplus profits shall be
authorized to be issued at less than par, nor until a certified copy
of the vote authorizing the same, and a certificate as hereinafter
provided, shall have been recorded in the office of the clerk of the
town in which its principal place of business is located and in the
office of the secretary of state. The certificate aforesaid shall be
under oath and signed by the treasurer and a majority of the di-
rectors, and shall state the number of shares and the par value
thereof issued to represent surplus profits, and that said stock rep-
resents cash or property at a fair valuation owned by the corpora-
tion.

Stock dividends
authorized.

SECT. 2. The provisions of section 1 shall not apply to railroad
corporations and public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the
public service commission.

Certain corpora-
tions excepted.

SECT. 3. So much of section 11, chapter 273, of the Public Stat-
utes, as is inconsistent with this act, and all other acts and parts of
acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed, and this act shall
take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause;
act takes effect on
passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 83.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE TAXATION OF SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS.

SECTION

1. Certain state and municipal bonds to be deducted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Certain bonds to be deducted.

SECTION 1. In determining the amount of savings deposits bearing interest upon which any savings bank or trust company shall be required to pay the excise tax of three-fourths of one per cent., as now required by law, there shall be deducted from the amount of such savings deposits the portion thereof invested in bonds or notes of this state or any of the counties, municipalities, school districts, and village precincts of this state, which by virtue of any law of this state would be exempt from taxation if held by a citizen of the city or town in which such institution shall be located.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 84.

AN ACT TO RESTRICT THE USE OF COMMON TOWELS.

SECTION

1. Use prohibited in certain places.
2. Penalty for violation.

SECTION

3. Takes effect June 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Use prohibited.

SECTION 1. In order to prevent the spread of communicable diseases, the use of the common towel is hereby prohibited in all public places, vehicles, or buildings, and the state board of health is hereby authorized to enforce this act.

Penalty.

SECT. 2. Whoever violates the provisions of this act, or any rule or regulation of the state board of health made under authority hereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each offense.

Takes effect June 1, 1915.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of June, 1915.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 85.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CERTAIN DISEASES OF THE EYES OF INFANTS.

SECTION

- 1. Certain cases to be reported.
- 2. Duties of state board of health.

SECTION

- 3. Weekly report to state board.
- 4. Penalty for violation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Should one or both eyes of an infant become inflamed, swollen, and red, and show an unusual discharge at any time within two weeks after its birth, it shall be the duty of the attending midwife, nurse, relative, or other attendant treating or having charge of such infant, to report in writing, within six hours thereafter, to the board of health of the city or town in which the parents of the infant reside, the fact that such inflammation, swelling, and redness of the eyes and unnatural discharge exist, except that if a legally qualified physician is in attendance, he shall report as required by this section within twenty-four hours.

Certain cases to be reported.

SECT. 2. Upon receipt of a report as set forth in section 1 of this act, the board of health, if no physician is in attendance, shall at once direct the parents, or whoever has charge of such infant having such inflammation, swelling, redness, or unnatural discharge of the eyes, immediately to place it in charge of a legally qualified physician, or in charge of the city or town physician if unable to pay for medical services.

Duties of state board of health.

SECT. 3. The board of health of every city and town in the state shall make a weekly report to the state board of health, upon blanks furnished for that purpose, of all cases reported under the provisions of section 1 of this act, and the state board of health is authorized to adopt such rules, regulations, and instructions as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

Weekly reports.

SECT. 4. Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each offense.

Penalty.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 86.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1, CHAPTER 170, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES RELATING TO THE FORM OF INSURANCE CONTRACTS.

SECTION 1. Insurance commissioner may prescribe shape and size.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Commissioner may prescribe shape and size.

SECTION 1. Amend section 1, chapter 170, of the Public Statutes, by inserting after the words "He is authorized" in said section the following: to prescribe the shape and size and; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. The form of policy and insurance contract now in force in the state is continued until the insurance commissioner shall change it. He is authorized to prescribe the shape and size and to change the form of such contracts from time to time as he may think the public good requires. Any company using any other form of policy than the one prescribed shall forfeit its license.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 87.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 66, LAWS OF 1899, RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE NATIONAL AND STATE FLAGS.

SECTION

1. Desecration of flag defined; penalty.

SECTION

2. Takes effect April 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Desecration of flag defined; penalty.

SECTION 1. Chapter 66 of the Laws of 1899, relating to offences against the national and state flags, is amended by striking out the entire chapter after the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: SECTION 1. If any person shall in any manner, for exhibition or display, place or cause to be placed any inscription, design, device, symbol, name, advertisement, words, character marks, or notice whatsoever, upon the national flag, or upon any flag, standard, color, or ensign of the United States, or upon the

state flag of this state, or upon any state flag or ensign of any of the several states of the United States, or upon any flag or ensign evidently purporting to be either of said flags, standards, colors, or ensigns, or who in any manner appends, annexes, or affixes or causes the same to be done, to any such flag, standard, color, or ensign, any inscription, design, device, symbol, name, advertisement, words, marks, or notice whatsoever, or who exhibits or displays, or causes to be exhibited or displayed, the national flag, or any flag, standard, color, or ensign of the United States, or the state flag of this state, or the state flag of any of the several states of the United States, or any flag or ensign evidently purporting to be either of said flags, standards, colors, or ensigns, upon which shall in any manner be placed, attached, annexed, or affixed any inscription, design, device, symbol, name, advertisement, words, marks, or notice whatsoever, or who shall expose or cause to be exposed to public view, manufacture, sell, expose for sale, give away, or have in possession for sale, or to give away, or for use for any purpose, any article, or substance, being an article of merchandise, or a receptacle of merchandise, or article or thing for carrying or transporting merchandise, upon which shall have been printed, painted, attached, or otherwise placed, a representation of any such flag, standard, color, or ensign, to advertise, call attention to, decorate, mark, or distinguish the article or substance on which so placed, or who publicly mutilates, tramples upon, defiles, defaces, or casts contempt upon, either by words or acts, any of said flags, standards, colors, or ensigns, whether any of said flags, standards, colors, or ensigns are public or private property, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding fifty dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment; *provided, however*, that flags, standards, colors, or ensigns, the property of or used in the service of the United States or of this state, may have inscriptions, names, actions, words, marks, or symbols placed thereon, pursuant to law or authorized regulations; and flags displayed with names, symbols, pictures, or mottos representing political parties and used for such purposes alone, and flags used by societies of a religious or fraternal nature, shall be exempt from the provisions of this act.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of April, 1915.

Takes effect April
1, 1915.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 88.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 184 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO TIMES AND PLACES OF HOLDING COURTS OF PROBATE.

SECTION 1. For Grafton county, when and where held.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

For Grafton county.

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 184 of the Public Statutes by striking out the whole of section 9 and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 9. For the county of Grafton,—at Lebanon, on the third Tuesday of January, April, July, and October; at Plymouth, on the second Tuesday of February, May, and November, and the fourth Tuesday of July; at Woodsville, on the third Tuesday of March, June, September, and December; at Littleton, on the first Tuesday of May and November; at Canaan, on the first Tuesday of June.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 89.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 61, LAWS OF 1909, RELATING TO THE SALE OF SEEDS.

SECTION
1. Prior provisions amended.SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

Prior provisions amended.

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 61, Laws of 1909, by striking out all of sections 2, 3, and 6, and inserting in place thereof the following:

Guarantees, how based.

SECT. 2. Sellers or dealers in seeds may base their guarantees upon tests or analyses conducted by themselves, their agents, or by the commissioner of agriculture or his agents; *provided*, that such tests or analyses shall be made in such a manner and under such conditions as the said commissioner may prescribe.

Publication of tests.

SECT. 3. The results of all tests or analyses of seeds made by the said commissioner, together with the names and addresses of the

persons from whom the samples of seed were obtained, shall be published in reports of bulletins by the commissioner of agriculture or the New Hampshire College experiment station, as the governor and council may determine. The report may contain equitable standards of purity and vitality, together with such information concerning agricultural seeds as may be of public benefit.

SECT. 6. The commissioner of agriculture shall diligently enforce the provisions of sections 1 and 4 of this act, and in his discretion prosecute offenses against the same. Enforcement.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 90.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF THE WATER-POWER OF THE STATE AND FOR DETERMINING THE BEST METHODS OF UTILIZING THE SAME.

SECTION

- 1. Expenditure authorized.
- 2. Coöperative agreement authorized.

SECTION

- 3. Funds, how disbursed.
- 4. Annual report.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Such sums as may from time to time be appropriated by the legislature, or so much thereof as shall be required, may be expended for the determination of the amount of water-power available on streams of the state, and for investigating the best methods of utilizing the same, for the purpose of providing the people of the state with information that will further industrial development. Expenditure authorized.

SECT. 2. The governor is hereby empowered to enter into co-operative agreement with the director of the United State Geological Survey for the purpose of making the investigation aforesaid. Co-operative agreement authorized.

SECT. 3. The moneys appropriated for this purpose shall be paid out of the treasury on vouchers approved by the governor and council, and, in the case of co-operative work, by said director. Funds, how disbursed.

SECT. 4. A progress report of the co-operative work done in each year under the foregoing sections shall be made to the governor by the director of the United States Geological Survey during the month of January following the completion of such year. Annual report.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 91.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF WOMEN AS POLICE MATRONS.

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| SECTION
1. Police matrons, appointment and powers of. | | SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage. |
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Police matrons, appointment and powers of.

SECTION 1. Any official or board which in any city or town may be empowered to appoint constables and police officers may appoint one or more women, as police matrons. Such women shall have, within the limits of such city or town, all the powers conferred by law upon constables and upon the police; *provided, however,* that such women shall have no power in relation to the service of civil process.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 92.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 205 OF THE LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED " AN ACT TO CONTROL THE FURTHER POLLUTION OF STREAMS, LAKES, AND RIVERS AND THE PROTECTION OF WATER SUPPLIES.

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| SECTION
1. Prior provisions amended. | | SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage. |
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Prior provisions amended.

SECTION 1. Chapter 205 of the Laws of 1913, entitled "An act to control the further pollution of streams, lakes, and rivers and the protection of water supplies," is hereby amended by striking out sections 3 and 4, and inserting in place thereof the following:

Unapproved auxiliary supply, use regulated; powers of state board of health.

SECT. 3. No person, corporation, or association, supplying water to the public for domestic use, shall have resort to, hold in reserve, or maintain a connection through which water may be received from, any auxiliary or emergency source of supply, the

quality of which has not been approved by the state board of health and under regular inspection thereby, unless such source shall have been duly declared to and registered by the said board. Every valve, gate, or other device for controlling or preventing the inflow of water of such unapproved character to the public supply-pipe system must be of such construction as to permit of effective sealing or inspection, and such valves, gates, or other devices shall be kept under or subject to the seal and inspection of the state board of health. Whenever it shall become necessary to break such seal or to resort to an unapproved emergency source, notice thereof within twenty-four hours shall be conveyed to the said board by telephone or telegraph and also by mail. The state board of health shall have full control and oversight of emergency intakes. It may, when feasible and deemed necessary for the protection of public health, upon reasonable notice require the abandonment of any existent emergency source and the adoption of other means of supply; and if in its judgment the circumstances warrant, it may order the permanent installation and continuous maintenance in connection therewith of some approved form of disinfecting apparatus or equipment. In case said board shall require the abandonment of any such emergency source, the person, corporation, or association aggrieved thereby shall have an appeal to the superior court in term time or vacation, said appeal to be taken within thirty days from the receipt of the order from said board, and said court may make such orders thereon as justice may require.

SECT. 4. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this act, or ^{Penalty.} fails to comply with the lawful orders and requirements of the state board of health duly made and provided herein, or whoever hinders or obstructs any inspector in the pursuit of his lawful duty, shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars.

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

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 93.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF CROSS-STATE HIGHWAYS.

SECTION

- 1. Highways provided for.
- 2. Routes and order of construction.
- 3. Change of existing highways.
- 4. State aid, what towns entitled.
- 5. Apportionment of fund.

SECTION

- 6. Apportionment of state aid.
- 7. Maintenance of highways.
- 8. Expenditure authorized.
- 9. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Highways provided for.

SECTION 1. The highway commissioner may designate for improvement by suitable description, whenever in his opinion the public good so requires, a system of continuous highways which shall include the following, and file the same with the secretary of state: From Claremont to Rochester, or to Dover; from Claremont to Plymouth; from Plymouth to Haverhill; from Lebanon to Franklin; from Laconia to Rochester; from Concord to the Massachusetts line in Cheshire county; from Lancaster to Gorham; from Waterford bridge in Littleton to Franconia Notch; from the East Side road in Ossipee, through Wolfboro and Alton, to the Merrimack Valley road at Suncook in Pembroke; from the South Side road in Keene or Marlborough to the Massachusetts state line in Fitzwilliam; from Taylor's Falls bridge in Hudson to Derry Depot in Derry.

Routes and order of construction.

SECT. 2. The highway commissioner shall determine the route to be followed by each of the highways enumerated in section 1 of this act and the order in which work thereon shall be begun, prosecuted, and completed, subject to appeal as provided by law.

Change of existing highways.

SECT. 3. The routes of such highways may be changed from existing highways by the highway commissioner to such extent as in his opinion the public good may require, and for that purpose he is authorized to designate such changes, and the governor and council may take or purchase land and have damages assessed therefor, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 35, Laws of 1905.

State aid, what towns entitled.

SECT. 4. No city or town through which said highways may be designated to pass shall receive any state aid for highway improvement other than on highways heretofore designated for improvement, except on such highways until said improvement thereon shall have been completed within such city or town. No part of the funds hereinafter provided shall be used within the compact part of any city or town having a population of twenty-five hun-

dred or more, such compact part to be determined by the highway commissioner.

SECT. 5. The highway commissioner shall apportion the fund hereinafter provided to the several cities and towns through which said highways shall pass. In making such apportionment, preference shall be given to such parts of said highways as have not heretofore been improved under state aid, and to such portions as shall be in such condition as to require immediate improvement. If, in the opinion of the highway commissioner, any part or parts of such highways shall be in such condition as to require immediate improvement, the money hereby appropriated may be used wholly or in part in improving such part or parts, and the highway commissioner shall have authority to make all contracts for the immediate improvement of such part or parts.

SECT. 6. The highways enumerated in section 1 of this act shall be improved by that city, town, or place within which they are located, at the expense of such city, town, or place, and to the satisfaction of the highway commissioner; and such city, town, or place shall receive from the state one half the cost of such improvement, and such further sums, in towns unable to pay that proportion, as in the opinion of the highway commissioner may be equitable. In case any city, town, or place shall neglect to improve said roads, after being so requested by the highway commissioner, such improvements shall be made under the direction of the highway commissioner at the expense of the state, and one half of the cost thereof, less such further sums, in towns unable to pay one half the cost thereof, as in the opinion of the highway commissioner may be equitable, shall be added to the state tax for such city or town; *provided*, that such sum so added shall not exceed one fourth of one per cent. of the valuation of the ratable estate on which other taxes are assessed by such city or town, nor in any event exceed an average of twenty-five hundred dollars per mile of highway improved.

SECT. 7. The highways designated by section 1 of this act shall be maintained in accordance with the provisions of section 20, chapter 35, Laws of 1905 (added to said chapter by chapter 155, Laws 1909), as amended by section 2, chapter 192, Laws of 1911.

SECT. 8. The highway commissioner is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, such part as he may see fit of the appropriation made at this session for the completion of the three trunk lines (known as the East Side, West Side, and Merrimack Valley roads) and the three cross-lines (known as the Rockingham road, South Side road, and the road from Meredith to Ossipee connecting the East Side and Merrimack Valley roads), as the aggregate amount

of the state funds applied for by the towns, on May 1, 1916, and May 1, 1917, through which said highways shall pass, shall be less than the sum appropriated for that year.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 9. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 94.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF NEDDY BLIND.

SECTION

- 1. "Needy blind" defined.
- 2. Who entitled to relief.
- 3. Claim, how filed.
- 4. Evidence required.
- 5. Aid, how limited.

SECTION

- 6. Surgical or medical treatment.
- 7. Annual examination.
- 8. Withdrawal or modification of aid.
- 9. False statement, how punished.
- 10. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

"Needy blind" defined.

SECTION 1. Any person of either sex who, by reason of loss of eyesight, is unable to provide himself with the necessities of life, who has not sufficient means of his own to maintain himself, and who, unless relieved as authorized by these provisions, would become a charge upon the public or upon those not required by law to support him, shall be deemed a needy blind person.

Who entitled to relief.

SECT. 2. In order to receive relief under these provisions, a needy blind person must become blind while a resident of this state, and shall be a resident of the county for one year and of the state for five years.

Claim, how filed.

SECT. 3. At least ten days prior to action on any claim for relief hereunder, the person claiming shall file with the county commissioners a duly verified statement of the facts bringing him within these provisions. The list of claims shall be filed in a book kept for that purpose, in the order of filing, which record shall be open to the public.

Evidence required.

SECT. 4. No certificate of qualification of drawing money hereunder shall be granted until the county commissioners shall be satisfied, from the evidence of at least two reputable residents of the county, one of whom shall be a registered physician, that they know the applicant to be blind, and that he has the residential qualifications to entitle him to the relief asked. Such evidence

shall be in writing, subscribed to by such witnesses, and be subject to the right of investigation by the county commissioners.

SECT. 5. If the county commissioners be satisfied that the applicant is entitled to relief hereunder, they shall furnish aid to said applicant in such sum as they find needed, not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, to be paid from the county treasury, and such relief shall be in place of all other relief of a public nature. Aid, how limited.

SECT. 6. If the county commissioners, in the examination of the qualifications of any person filing a claim for relief hereunder, or who may have been allowed relief by such commissioners, shall determine upon the evidence of a registered physician and surgeon that any person or persons making such claims or then on such lists might have such disability benefited or removed by proper surgical operation or medical treatment, and such person entitled to such relief files his consent in writing thereto, then the county commissioners may expend for the purpose of such surgical operation or medical treatment all or any portion of the relief which the county commissioners may award to such person for one year under the provisions of this act; and in such case shall pay the sum so awarded to the persons entitled to pay for such surgical operation or medical treatment, instead of being paid to the person entitled to such relief. Surgical or medical treatment.

SECT. 7. The county commissioners annually shall make examination as to qualifications of anyone on the blind list, and increase or decrease the amount within the limits herein prescribed. If not satisfied that the person on the list is qualified to draw his money, said commissioners shall remove such person from the list. Annual examination.

SECT. 8. The county commissioners may at any time during the year inquire into the qualifications and examine as to the disability and needs of any person theretofore placed on such blind list; and in case said commissioners find that any person is not qualified to draw further relief, or that such disability has been removed in whole or in part, then said commissioners may at any time thereafter during such year modify or change the amount theretofore found necessary for such relief, or remove such person from the list qualified to draw any money for relief. Withdrawal or modification of aid.

SECT. 9. Whoever, to secure for himself or another the benefit provided in this chapter for needy blind persons, makes a false statement shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of perjury. False statement, how punished.

SECT. 10. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 95.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 74, LAWS OF 1909, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF ICE IN CERTAIN CASES."

SECTION

- 1. Rivers, etc., may be closed to fishing.
- 2. Notice of hearing, how given.
- 3. Expense of warning, how borne.

SECTION

- 4. Penalty for violation.
- 5. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Rivers, etc., may be closed to fishing.

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 74, Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by inserting in the third line thereof, after the word "ponds," the word rivers, and by inserting in the seventh line thereof, after the word "such," the word river, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. Upon application of any person, corporation, or copartnership interested in the cutting or harvesting of ice for domestic or commercial purposes in any of the public ponds, rivers, or lakes in the state, or interested in fishing therein, the fish and game commissioners may, upon hearing, close to fishing, for such period or periods of time as they may order, in whole or in part, any such river, lake, or pond, as they may deem necessary to protect the crop of ice thereon while the same is being formed, cultivated, cut, and harvested.

Notice of hearing, how given.

SECT. 2. Section 2 of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting in the fifth line thereof, after the word "such," the word river, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. The fish and game commissioners shall give notice of such hearing by posting notice thereof, stating the date, place, and hour of such hearing, and the purpose thereof, at least five days before the date of said hearing, in at least three public places in the town or towns where such river, pond, or lake is located.

Expense of marking, how borne.

SECT. 3. Section 3 of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting in the second line thereof, after the word "such," the word rivers, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 3. The expense of separating by suitable marks, or monuments, or boundaries, the space on such rivers, ponds, or lakes left open for fishing, shall be borne by the petitioner.

Penalty.

SECT. 4. Section 4 of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting in the second line thereof, before the word "ponds," the word rivers, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 4. Any person who shall fish through the ice, or cut holes in the ice for fishing, on such portions of such rivers, ponds, and lakes as under the provisions of this act have been closed to fishing,

shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars (\$20), or imprisoned not more than sixty days, or both.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3, CHAPTER 125, LAWS OF 1907, RELATING TO THE TRIAL OF DEPENDENT, NEGLECTED, AND DELINQUENT CHILDREN.

SECTION

1. Publication of certain facts regulated.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 125, Laws of 1907, is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence—"It shall be unlawful for any newspaper to publish any of the proceedings of any juvenile court"—and substituting for it the following: It shall be unlawful for any newspaper to publish the name, or address, or any other particular information serving to identify any juvenile delinquent arrested, without the express permission of the court, and it shall be unlawful for any newspaper to publish any of the proceedings of any juvenile court; so that said section shall read: Publication of certain facts regulated.

SECT. 3. Courts shall designate suitable times for the hearing of cases of juvenile offenders, and dependent or delinquent children, which shall be called the session for children, for which a separate docket shall be kept. Said session shall be separate from that for the trial of criminal cases, and as far as practicable shall be held in rooms not used for such trials. No minor shall be allowed to be present at any such hearing unless his presence is necessary, either as a party or witness, or, in the opinion of the court, in the interests of justice. It shall be unlawful for any newspaper to publish the name, or address, or any other particular information serving to identify any juvenile delinquent arrested, without the express permission of the court, and it shall be unlawful for any newspaper to publish any of the proceedings of any juvenile court.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 97.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 68, LAWS OF 1911, IN RELATION TO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST AND THE LIQUIDATION OF INSTITUTIONS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE BANK COMMISSIONERS.

SECTION

1. Procedure if examination resisted or unsafe methods employed.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Procedure if examination resisted or unsafe methods employed.

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 68, Laws of 1911, by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 2. If any institution to which the act applies shall refuse to permit an examination of its affairs by the commissioners, or shall refuse to furnish the necessary facilities therefor, or shall violate its charter or any law of this state after having been notified in writing by the commissioners of such violation, or if at any time it appears to the commissioners that its business is being conducted in an unsafe or unauthorized manner, or that it is necessary for the public safety that it should not continue to transact business, the bank commissioners may represent the fact by petition to some justice of the superior court, who may issue an injunction prohibiting as far as may be thought necessary the transaction of any business of said bank, and the said commissioners shall cause the same to be duly served. Such injunction may be modified by said justice, and any justice of the superior court, upon petition and notice to the bank commissioners, may dissolve, modify, continue, or extend the same as equity may require. If in the opinion of said justice of the superior court the public good requires, he may direct the bank commissioners to take possession forthwith of the property and business of such institution, and they may retain possession thereof until the bank shall resume business, or until its affairs shall finally be liquidated as herein provided, and upon completing such liquidation the charter of such institution shall be vacated.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 98.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SUBDIVISION VII OF SECTION 10, CHAPTER 50, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO POWERS OF CITY COUNCILS, AND OF SECTION 9, CHAPTER 43, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO DUTIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SECTION

- 1. Powers of city councils as to streets, etc.
- 2. Powers of selectmen as to sidewalks, etc.

SECTION

- 3. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Subdivision VII of section 10, chapter 50, of the Public Statutes, is hereby amended by adding the words, by traffic thereon or in any other manner, after the word "ground" in the seventh line, and by adding the words, or the city subjected to expense thereby, after the word "incommoded" in the eighth line, so that said subdivision as amended shall read as follows: VII. To regulate all streets and public ways, wharves, docks, and squares, and the use thereof, and the placing or leaving therein any carriages, sleds, boxes, lumber, wood, or any articles or materials, and the deposit of any waste or other thing whatever; the removal of any manure or other material therefrom; the erection of posts, signs, steps, or awnings; the digging up the ground by traffic thereon or in any other manner, or any other act by which the public travel may be incommoded or the city subjected to expense thereby; the securing by railings or otherwise any well, cellar, or other dangerous place in or near the line of any street; to prohibit the rolling of hoops, playing at ball, or flying of kites, or any other amusement or practice having a tendency to annoy persons passing in the streets and sidewalks, or to frighten teams and horses within the same; and to compel persons to keep the snow, ice, and dirt from the sidewalks in front of the premises owned or occupied by them.

Powers of city councils as to streets, etc.

SECT. 2. Section 9, chapter 43, of the Public Statutes, is hereby amended by adding the words, and amendments thereto, after the word "Statutes" in the fifth line, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 9. The selectmen may regulate the use of public highways, sidewalks, and commons in their respective towns, and for this purpose may exercise all the powers conferred upon city councils by section 10, subdivision 7, chapter 50, of the Public Statutes, and amendments thereto, and by any other provisions of law upon the subject.

Powers of selectmen as to sidewalks, etc.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage. **SECT. 3.** All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 99.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 164, LAWS OF 1911, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 145, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

<p>SECTION</p> <p>1. Disqualification to sit at hearing.</p> <p>2. Clerk provided for.</p> <p>3. Fees and expenses in certain cases.</p>	}	<p>SECTION</p> <p>4. Orders, continuance of; how served.</p> <p>5. Extension of street railways.</p> <p>6. Takes effect on pasasge.</p>
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Disqualification of commissioner to sit at hearing.

SECTION 1. Paragraph (h) of section 2, chapter 164, Laws of 1911, as amended by section 4, chapter 145, Laws of 1913, is amended by striking out the following: “(h) No commissioner shall sit upon the hearing of any question which the commission is to decide in a judicial capacity who would be disqualified for any cause, except exemption from service, to act as a juror upon the trial of the same question between the same parties in an action at law. This shall not be construed to apply to inquests in accident cases.” and by inserting in place thereof the following: (h) No commissioner shall sit upon the hearing of any question which the commission is to decide in a judicial capacity who would be disqualified for any cause, except exemption from service and knowledge of the facts involved gained in the performance of his official duties, to act as a juror upon the trial of the same question between the same parties in an action at law; so that said paragraph as amended shall read: (h) No commissioner shall sit upon the hearing of any question which the commission is to decide in a judicial capacity who would be disqualified from any cause, except exemption from service and knowledge of the facts involved gained in the performance of his official duties, to act as a juror upon the trial of the same parties in an action at law. A majority of the commission shall constitute a quorum to transact business, and any hearing or investigation may be held or conducted by two commissioners or by a single commissioner, but no order, rule, or regulation shall be made and promulgated except by the full commission

or a majority thereof; *provided, however*, that no hearing or investigation, except in accident cases, shall be held or conducted by a single commissioner if any party whose interests may be affected shall five days before the date of hearing file a request in writing that the same be held or conducted by the full commission, or a majority thereof.

SECT. 2. Paragraph (o) of section 2 of said chapter 164, as amended by section 6 of said chapter 145, is amended by striking out the following: “(o) The commission may employ an assistant clerk, and any record, order, certificate, or other process, document, or paper issued or made by said commission may be signed by the clerk, or by said assistant clerk, or by any commissioner,” and by inserting in place thereof the following: (o) The commission may employ a clerk, and any record, order, certificate, or other process, document, or paper issued or made by the commission may be signed by the clerk, or by any commissioner.

SECT. 3. Section 19 of said chapter 164, as amended by section 18 of said chapter 145, is amended by striking out the following: “SECT. 19. Sections 1 and 2 of chapter 50 of the Laws of 1905, entitled ‘An act relating to the inspection and licensing of boats, and the examination and licensing of their captains, masters, engineers and pilots.’ are hereby repealed. Until otherwise provided by law, the powers and duties imposed by that act upon inspectors appointed thereunder, and upon the board of railroad commissioners, shall be exercised and performed by the public service commission, and said commission, subject to the same supervision by the governor and council as shall be provided by law with reference to its other employees, may employ such inspectors and assistants as it may require for the proper performance of said duties. All fees collected under the provisions of said act shall be paid into the state treasury as provided by chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by this act,” and by inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 19. (a) In each case arising under paragraph (e) of section 13, chapter 164, Laws of 1911, as amended by section 13, chapter 145, Laws of 1913, the commission shall charge and collect fees as follows: For the entry of each petition, twenty-five dollars; for the making of each order of notice for service upon the owner or owners of each parcel of land described in said petition in which rights are sought to be taken, one dollar; and for the entry of each order granting land, rights, or easements in any such case, ten dollars for each tract of land granted or affected.

(b) In the case of an appeal from an order or decision of the commission, the commission shall collect from the party making the appeal a fee of ten cents per folio of one hundred words for the copy of the record and such testimony and exhibits as shall be transferred, and five cents per folio for manifold copies, and shall not be

required to certify the record upon any such appeal, nor shall said appeal be considered until fees for copies shall have been paid.

(c) The commission may fix and collect reasonable fees for copies of the records of the commission, certified or otherwise, and for copies of testimony taken before the commission, and for publications of the commission.

(d) Whenever any investigation shall be necessary to enable the commission to pass upon any petition for authority to issue stock, bonds, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness, or for authority to sell, transfer, or lease the plant, works, or system of any railroad corporation or public utility, or any part of the same, the petitioner or petitioners shall pay the extra expense to the state involved in the investigation of the matters covered by said petition, including the amounts expended for experts, accountants, or other assistants, but not including any part of the salaries of the commissioners and regular employees, such payment to be made at such time as may be fixed by rule of the commission, but before any order upon such petition shall be made.

Orders, continu-
ance of; how
served.

SECT. 4. Section 20 of said chapter 164, as amended by paragraphs (a) and (d) of section 20 of said chapter 145, is amended by striking out the following: "SECT. 20. (a) Section 17 of said act in its original form is repealed, but said repeal shall not affect the rights of any party to any proceeding pending in the superior court at the time of the passage of this act. Sections 18 and 19 of said act are amended by renumbering the same as sections 23 and 24 respectively. (d) All acts and parts of acts in any way in conflict with this act are hereby repealed so far as they do so conflict, and this act shall take effect upon its passage; *provided*, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to amend or repeal 'An act to provide a method for adjusting the maximum rates for fares and freights on steam railroads,' approved April 29, 1913," and by inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 20. (a) Every order of the commission requiring any railroad corporation or public utility to do or not to do anything shall take effect at the time therein specified, and, except as otherwise in this act especially provided shall continue in effect for such period as shall be therein designated, and if no period shall be designated, until the same shall be altered, amended, suspended, annulled, set aside, or otherwise modified by the commission or by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Orders of the commission granting authority or permission to do any act or thing shall not require to be served, but the exercise in any part of the authority or permission granted in any such order shall charge the railroad corporation, public utility, or person so exercising such authority or permission with full knowledge of said order; and such railroad corporation, public utility, or person

shall comply with all the requirements thereof, and fully conform thereto.

Every order requiring to be served shall in every case where the railroad corporation or public utility affected has an agent in the city of Concord, appointed as provided in this section, be served upon said agent by giving a certified copy thereof to him in hand, or by leaving a like copy at his office or residence. If no agent has been so appointed, service may be made by giving a like copy to any person upon whom service could be made in an action at law against such railroad corporation or public utility, or by sending the same by mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such railroad corporation or public utility at any usual post-office address of the same.

Any railroad corporation or public utility may, by writing filed with the commission, appoint an agent who shall reside and have an office in the city of Concord, upon whom service for and on behalf of such railroad corporation or public utility may be made by the commission. Thereupon, service of any such notice, order, or process shall be made upon such agent. In default of such appointment, service may be made as hereinbefore provided. Such appointment may at any time be revoked or a new appointment made by like writing similarly filed with the commission.

At any time after the making and entry thereof, the commission may, after notice and hearing, alter, amend, suspend, annul, set aside, or otherwise modify any order made by it.

SECT. 5. Paragraph (b) of section 11 of said chapter 164, as amended by section 11 of said chapter 145, is amended by adding thereto the following words: Said commission, after notice and hearing, may order any just and reasonable extension of any street railroad within the limits of any city or town within which said railroad, or any part thereof, may be located, and thereafter it shall be the duty of the railroad corporation owning said street railroad to comply with said order and construct such extension; so that said paragraph as amended shall read: (b) Whenever the commission shall be of the opinion, after a hearing had upon its own motion or upon complaint, that any part of any railroad within the state reasonably requires alteration or reconstruction, or that the regulations, practices, equipment, appliances, or service of any railroad corporation or public utility operating as a common carrier of passengers or freight in respect to transportation of persons or property within the state are unjust, unreasonable, unsafe, improper, or inadequate, the commission shall determine the reconstruction or alteration reasonably required, or the just, reasonable, safe, adequate, and proper regulations, practices, equipment, appliances, and service thereafter to be in force or to be provided, and shall fix and prescribe the same by order to be served upon every railroad corporation or such public utility to be bound

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thereby; and thereafter it shall be the duty of every such railroad corporation or such public utility to observe and obey each and every requirement of every such order so served upon it, and to do everything necessary or proper in order to secure absolute compliance with, and observance of, every such order by all of its officers, agents, and employees. Said commission, after notice and hearing, may order any just and reasonable extension of any street railroad within the limits of any city or town within which said railroad, or any part thereof, may be located, and thereafter it shall be the duty of the railroad corporation owning said street railroad to comply with said order and construct such extension.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 100.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 6, CHAPTER 155, LAWS OF 1913,
RELATING TO THE CLEARING OF LUMBER SLASH ALONG HIGHWAYS.

SECTION

1. Disposal of slash regulated.

SECTION

2. Takes effect July 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Disposal of slash regulated.

SECTION 1. Section 6 of chapter 155, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting instead thereof the following: SECT. 6. On and after July 1, 1915, any person, firm, or corporation cutting wood or lumber on property adjacent to the right of way of any steam or electric railroad or public highway shall dispose of the slash caused by such cutting in such a manner that the inflammable material shall not remain on the ground within forty feet of the right of way of any steam railroad, or within twenty feet of the right of way of any electric railroad or the traveled part of any public highway. Any operator of wood or timber on such land, or any owner of such land where cutting is done, may be fined not more than ten dollars for each acre of such land or fraction thereof from which the inflammable material is not properly disposed of within sixty days from the cutting of the trees thereon; *provided*, that any owner or operator who cuts wood or timber during the winter, after November 1, shall have until May 1 in Grafton, Carroll, and Coos counties, and until April

1 in other counties, to remove the slash in accordance with the provisions of this section. If such slash is destroyed by burning, such burning shall be done with the permission of the town forest fire warden. The forestry commission is hereby charged with the execution of this section. All owners or operators shall be required to use due care in clearing such land, and shall not be relieved of liability for damage imposed by chapter 128, Laws of 1909, and amendments thereto; but no owner of such land shall be liable for damages resulting from fires not set by himself or his agents.

SECT. 2. This amendment shall take effect July 1, 1915.

Takes effect July 1, 1915.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 101.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ANTITOXIN.

SECTION

1. State board of health to distribute; annual appropriation of \$2,400.
2. To be furnished to physicians.

SECTION

3. Unauthorized sale, how punished.
4. Takes effect September 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The state board of health is hereby authorized to purchase antitoxin for the treatment of diphtheria and to distribute the same free of charge under such rules and regulations as said board may prescribe; and a sum not exceeding twenty-four hundred dollars for each of the years ending August 31, 1916 and 1917, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses thereof, upon vouchers duly approved according to law.

Distribution; annual appropriation of \$2,400.

SECT. 2. The antitoxin shall be kept at stations designated by the state board of health and shall be furnished physicians duly registered and licensed under the state law, upon application by prescription of regular form.

To be furnished to physicians.

SECT. 3. A person selling or disposing of any antitoxin purchased or distributed under the provisions of this act, for personal gain, shall be fined ten dollars for each offense.

Unauthorized sale, how punished.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect September 1, 1915.

Takes effect September 1, 1915.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 102.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 49, CHAPTER 43, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATIVE TO CHOICE AND DUTIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SECTION

1. Claremont fiscal year ends January 31.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Claremont fiscal year to end January 31.

SECTION 1. Section 49, chapter 43, of the Public Statutes, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words: except the town of Claremont, where the fiscal year shall end on the thirty-first day of January; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 49. The fiscal year of towns shall end with the fifteenth day of February, except the town of Claremont, where the fiscal year shall end on the thirty-first day of January.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 103.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

SECTION

- 1. Highway department created.
- 2. Highway commissioner provided for.
- 3. Salary of commissioner.
- 4. Powers and duties of commissioner.
- 5. Appeals from commissioner.

SECTION

- 6. Report of commissioner.
- 7. Expense of administration.
- 8. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Department created.

SECTION 1. The office of state engineer, as provided for in section 2, chapter 35, Laws of 1905, is hereby terminated, and there is hereby created a department for the laying out, construction, and maintenance of highways constructed or maintained in whole or in part by the use of state funds, which shall be known as the state highway department.

SECT. 2. Within thirty days after the passage of this act, the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint and commission a highway commissioner, who shall be skilled in the construction and maintenance of highways. He shall hold office for a term of five years from the date of his appointment and until his successor is appointed and qualified. The governor and council may at any time remove said highway commissioner for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office, but he shall not be so removed without a hearing, after reasonable notice in writing of the charges against him. In case of vacancy, or incapacity of the commissioner, the governor and council are hereby invested with power to appoint an acting commissioner, fix his compensation, limit his term of office, and so qualify his powers and duties under this act as they may from time to time deem to be expedient.

Highway commissioner provided for.

SECT. 3. The annual salary of said highway commissioner shall be fixed by the governor and council at not to exceed four thousand five hundred dollars, payable in equal monthly installments, together with his actual expenses when on official duty elsewhere than in the office of the department. He shall be provided with suitable quarters for his office and that of the department in the state house, and may employ such expert and clerical assistance as in his opinion is necessary, subject to the approval of the governor and council as to compensation.

Salary of commissioner.

SECT. 4. Said highway commissioner shall have all the powers and perform all the duties imposed by the laws of the state in force next prior to the passage of this act upon the governor and council so far as the same relate to highway matters. He shall exercise general supervision, control, and direction, on behalf of the state, over all matters pertaining to the location, construction, maintenance, and abandonment of highways, now or hereafter built or maintained either in whole or in part with money appropriated from the state treasury. He shall have the power to fix and decide upon the location and route of any highways now or hereafter authorized to be so built, whether the same be wholly within one town, or between places adjacent or remote; the order in which work thereon shall be begun, prosecuted, and completed; the method of construction to be employed; the kind and quality of materials to be used; the manner in which any such highway shall be maintained; and all other matters pertinent thereto, including the awarding of all contracts for the construction or maintenance of such highways, and the supervision of the work done thereunder. He shall have the same powers heretofore delegated to the governor and council in regard to the purchase of land or material necessary for the construction or maintenance of highways, as provided by section 9, chapter 35, Laws of 1905; but the taking of land or

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material for such purposes by the exercise of the process of eminent domain, and the sale and conveyance of land included in any discontinued portion of a highway, shall remain with the governor and council as provided in said section.

Appeals.

SECT. 5. Appeals may be taken by county commissioners in behalf of unincorporated places, by the mayor and aldermen for cities, by the selectmen for towns, or by not less than ten voters of a town affected, from decisions of the highway commissioner as to location and route, to be taken within thirty days from the filing of the same, and as to the method of construction, grade, kind and quality of materials, including bridges and culverts, to be taken within ten days after the beginning of the work, by petition to the governor and council. The governor and council, upon the filing with them of such appeal petition, shall issue notice to the interested parties of the time and place of a hearing thereon, and the decision of the governor and council in the matter shall be final.

Report.

SECT. 6. Said highway commissioner shall make a biennial report to the governor and council containing a statement of all work done and expenditures incurred by this department, together with such other information as may be of public interest.

Expenses.

SECT. 7. The expenses of administration of this act shall be provided for as defined in chapter 114, Laws of 1913.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 8. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 104.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR COMPLETING A DORMITORY AT THE PLYMOUTH NORMAL SCHOOL.

SECTION

- 1. Appropriation of \$65,000.
- 2. Disposal of Normal Hall.

SECTION

- 3. Expenditure authorized.
- 4. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of \$65,000.

SECTION 1. That the sum of sixty-five thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated for completing the dormitory for the Plymouth normal school—said dormitory to include a gymnasium with suitable accessories, together with the necessary heating and light-

ing equipment and furnishings—and for the moving of present buildings as may be necessitated thereby; said sum to be expended under the direction of whatever body is delegated with powers and duties as to the construction of state buildings.

SECT. 2. The governor and council are hereby authorized to dis- Normal Hall.
pose of the building known as Normal Hall.

SECT. 3. The governor is authorized to draw his warrant for Expenditure au-
said appropriation out of any money in the treasury not otherwise thorized.
appropriated.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 105.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2, CHAPTER 51, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO PUBLIC CEMETERIES AND PARKS.

SECTION

1. Cemetery location restricted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Amend section 2, chapter 51, of the Public Statutes, Cemetery location
restricted.
by inserting after the word "dwelling-house" in the second and
fifth lines of said section the following words: schoolhouse or school
lot; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2.
No cemetery shall be laid out within twenty rods of any dwelling-
house, schoolhouse or school lot, store, or other place of business,
without the consent of the owner of the same, nor any enlargement
of existing cemeteries within twenty rods, except when the land so
laid out is at a greater distance from any dwelling-house, school-
house or school lot, store, or public place than the original cemetery
for the enlargement of which such lands shall be taken.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 106.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 40, LAWS OF 1905, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 68, LAWS OF 1907, AND CHAPTER 42, LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO A TAX ON LEGACIES AND SUCCESSIONS.

SECTION

1. Prior provisions repealed; new provisions substituted.

SECTION

2. Application of act limited.
3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Provisions repealed and enacted.

SECTION 1. Chapter 40, Laws of 1905, as amended by chapter 68, Laws of 1907, and chapter 42, Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by striking out sections 1, 5, 16, 18, 19, and 20 and inserting new sections in place thereof, which shall read as follows:

What legacies and inheritances taxable.

SECTION 1. All property within the jurisdiction of the state, real or personal, and any interest therein, belonging to inhabitants of the state, and all real estate within the state, or any interest therein, belonging to persons who are not inhabitants of the state, which shall pass by will, or by the laws regulating intestate succession, or by deed, grant, bargain, sale, or gift, made in contemplation of death, or made or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after the death of the grantor or donor, to any person, absolutely or in trust, except to or for the use of the father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, lineal descendant, adopted child, the lineal descendant of any adopted child, the wife or widow of a son, or the husband of a daughter, of a decedent, or to or for the use of educational, religious, cemetery, or other institutions, societies, or associations of public charity in this state, or for or upon trust for any charitable purpose in the state, or for the care of cemetery lots, or to a city or town in this state for public purposes, shall be subject to a tax of five per cent. of its value, for the use of the state; and administrators, executors, and trustees, and any such grantees under a conveyance made during the grantor's life, shall be liable for such taxes, with interest, until the same have been paid. An institution or society shall be deemed to be in this state, within the meaning of this act, when its sole object and purpose is to carry on charitable, religious, or educational work within the state, but not otherwise.

Tax to be deducted or collected by executor, etc.

SECT. 5. An executor, administrator, or trustee holding property subject to said tax shall deduct the tax therefrom or collect it from the legatee or person entitled to said property, and he shall not deliver property or a specific legacy subject to said tax until he has collected the tax thereon. When a specific bequest of per-

sonal property other than money is subject to a tax under the provisions of this act, and the legatee neglects or refuses to pay the tax upon demand, the executor or trustee may upon such notice as the probate court may direct be authorized to sell such property, or, if the same can be divided, such portion thereof as may be necessary, and shall deduct the tax from the proceeds of such sale, and shall account to the legatee for the balance, if any, of such proceeds, in lieu of the property. An executor or administrator shall collect taxes due upon land which is subject to tax under the provisions hereof from the heirs or devisees entitled thereto, and he may be authorized to sell said land according to the provisions of section 8 if they refuse or neglect to pay said tax. When a conveyance made by a decedent in his lifetime is subject to said tax, and the property thus conveyed, being personal property, is without the state, or is removed from the state before the tax is paid, such tax shall become a lien upon all the property of the decedent and shall be chargeable as an expense of administration; and the executor or administrator shall collect taxes due on account of such conveyances and may be authorized to sell any property subject to the lien of such tax, for the payment thereof, as in other cases.

SECT. 16. No account of an executor, administrator, or trustee shall be allowed by the probate court until the certificate of the state treasurer has been filed in said court, that all taxes imposed by the provisions of this act upon any property or interest therein belonging to the estate to be included in said account, and already payable, have been paid, and that all taxes which may become due on said property or interest therein to be included in said account have been paid, or settled as hereinbefore provided, or that the payment thereof to the state is secured by deposit, or by lien on real estate. The certificate of the state treasurer as to the amount of the tax and his receipt for the amount therein certified shall be conclusive as to the payment of the tax to the extent of such certification.

SECT. 18. When real estate within the state, or any interest therein, belonging to a person who is not an inhabitant of the state, shall pass by will or otherwise so that it may be subject to tax under the provisions of section 1, and an executor or administrator of the estate of said decedent is appointed by a probate court of this state upon ancillary proceedings, or otherwise, such executor or administrator shall, for the purposes of this act, have the same powers and be subject to the same duties and liabilities with reference to such real estate as though the decedent had been a resident of this state; but the provisions of this act, in so far as they refer to personal property, shall not apply to such executor or administrator.

Account not to be allowed until tax paid.

Real estate of non-resident, powers of executor concerning.

Procedure if no administrator of non-resident owner appointed here.

SECT. 19. In the absence of administration in this state upon the estate of a non-resident, the state treasurer may, at the request of an executor or administrator duly appointed and qualified in the state of the decedent's domicile, or of a grantee under a conveyance made during the grantor's lifetime, and upon satisfactory evidence furnished him by such executor, administrator, or grantee, or otherwise, determine whether or not any real estate of said decedent within this state is subject to tax under the provisions of this act, and if so, may determine the amount of such tax and adjust the same with such executor, administrator, or grantee, and for that purpose may appoint an appraiser to appraise said property as provided in section 13, and the expense of such appraisal shall be a charge upon said real estate in addition to the tax. The treasurer's certificate as to the amount of such tax and his receipt for the amount therein certified may be filed in the probate office in the county where the real estate is located, and when so filed shall be conclusive evidence of the payment of the tax, to the extent of such certification, as provided in section 16. Whenever in such a case the tax is not adjusted within four months after the death of the decedent, the proper probate court, upon application of the state treasurer, shall appoint an administrator in this state as provided in section 15.

State treasurer may appear, when.

SECT. 20. The state treasurer shall be entitled to appear in any proceeding in any court in which the decree may in any way affect the tax; and no decree in any such proceeding, or upon appeal therefrom, shall be binding upon the state unless personal notice of such proceeding shall have been given to the state treasurer.

Application limited.

SECT. 2. This act shall not apply to the estates of persons deceased prior to the date when it takes effect, nor to property of such decedents passing by deed, grant, bargain, sale, or gift, as set forth in section 1; but such estates and property shall remain subject to the provisions of the laws in force prior to the passage of this act.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 107.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 5, CHAPTER 82, LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF POLL TAXES, AND IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTERS 55 AND 59 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES," AND OF SECTIONS 8 AND 9, CHAPTER 60, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES.

SECTION

1. Commitment of poll-tax delinquent.
2. Earnings during confinement, how applied.

SECTION

3. Copy of warrant, what to contain.
4. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 5 of chapter 82, Laws of 1913, by striking out the words "common jail" in the last line of said section and inserting in place thereof the words, house of correction; so that said section shall read: SECT. 5. For want of goods and chattels whereon to make distress, the collector may take the body, wherever in this state found, of any person neglecting or refusing to pay the tax assessed against him, and commit him to the house of correction. Commitment of
poll-tax delinquent.

SECT. 2. Amend section 8, chapter 60, of the Public Statutes, by adding after the words "common jail" the following: or house of correction, and when any person is so committed to any jail or house of correction where there is a workshop connected, he shall be credited for his labor therein at the rate of fifty cents per day, to be applied on the amount of his tax and costs of commitment; *provided, however,* that he shall be required to pay to the jailer or keeper of the institution in which he is so confined board at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per week, the same to be earned in the employ of said institution; and *provided, further,* that the net amount so earned by any person so committed shall be refunded by the county to the town from which such person is committed; so that said section shall read: SECT. 8. For want of goods and chattels whereon to make distress, the collector may take the body of any person neglecting or refusing to pay the tax assessed against him, and commit him to the county jail or house of correction, and when any person is so committed to any jail or house of correction where there is a workshop connected, he shall be credited for his labor therein at the rate of fifty cents per day, to be applied on the amount of his tax and costs of commitment; *provided, however,* that he shall be required to pay the jailer or keeper of the institution in which he is so confined board at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per week, the same to be earned in Earnings during
confinement, how
applied.

the employ of said institution; and *provided, further*, that the net amount so earned by any person so committed shall be refunded by the county to the town from which such person is committed.

Copy of warrant, what to contain.

SECT. 3. Amend section 9, chapter 60, of the Public Statutes, by inserting the words, or keeper, after the word "jailer" in the first and fifth lines and by adding at the end thereof the words, *provided, however*, that such attested copy of his warrant shall not include the list of taxes directed to him for collection; so that said section shall read: SECT. 9. In such case the collector shall give to the jailer or keeper an attested copy of his warrant, and thereupon certify the sums such person is taxed in his list, and that he has taken his body for want of goods and chattels whereon to make distress, and the jailer or keeper shall receive and detain such person in his custody until he pays such tax, cost of commitment, and charges of imprisonment, or until he is otherwise discharged by due course of law; *provided, however*, that such attested copy of his warrant shall not include the list of taxes directed to him for collection.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 108.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AND CHANGING THE PRESENT LOCATION OF THE ROCKINGHAM ROAD CONNECTING THE MERRIMACK VALLEY ROAD WITH THE MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY AT THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE LINE AT SALEM, N. H.

SECTION

1. New location established.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

New location established.

SECTION 1. That so much of the Rockingham Road located and designated by the governor and council under the provisions of chapter 162, Laws of 1913, extending from a point in Manchester to a point on the Massachusetts state line at Salem, N. H., be and hereby is changed as follows: Beginning at the junction of Elm and Hayward streets in Manchester, thence easterly on Hayward street to Willow street; thence southeasterly on Willow street to the

Mammoth road in Londonderry. The governor and council are hereby authorized and instructed to designate the width of said road and file the same with the secretary of state.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 109.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCORPORATION AND MANAGEMENT OF TRUST COMPANIES AND SIMILAR CORPORATIONS.

SECTION

1. Incorporation board, how composed.
2. Corporation, how created.
3. Articles of agreement.
4. Petition for incorporation and hearing; notice, how given.
5. First meeting; organization.
6. Certificate of directors; certificate of incorporation, form of.
7. Issuance of stock regulated; transaction of business, how authorized.
8. Amendments to certificates and charters.
9. To begin business within one year.
10. Limitations on capital stock.
11. Officers of corporation.
12. Treasurer, how chosen; to give bond.
13. Director, qualifications of.
14. What business may be conducted.
15. May act as trustee, etc.
16. May act as registrar of securities, etc.
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SECTION

18. Surplus fund provided for.
19. Dividends, how declared.
20. Savings department to be separate.
21. Taxation of corporation.
22. Right to hold real estate.
23. Assessment if capital impaired.
24. Loan on or purchase of own stock regulated.
25. Loan to director or officer.
26. Loans, how limited in amount.
27. Reserve provided for.
28. Federal reserve provisions.
29. Hiring of money regulated.
30. Individual liability of stockholders.
31. Reports to bank commission.
32. Procedure if law violated, unsafe methods adopted, etc.
33. Application of act; repealing clause.
34. Corporation not to act as executor, etc.
35. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The bank commissioners and the attorney-general shall constitute a board for the incorporation of trust companies, loan and trust companies, loan and banking companies, and all other corporations of a similar character, shall be known as the board of trust company incorporation, and shall receive no compensation for services on this board. Incorporation board.

SECT. 2. Ten or more persons who associate themselves by an agreement in writing for the purpose of forming such a corporation, Corporation, how created.

tion may, upon compliance with the provisions of this act, become a corporation, 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 such corporations.

Articles of agree-
ment.

SECT. 3. Said agreement shall set forth that the subscribers thereto associate themselves with the intention of forming a corporation, and shall specifically state:

First—The name by which the corporation shall be known.

Second—The purpose for which it is formed.

Third—The city or town, which shall be within this state, where its business is to be transacted.

Fourth—The amount of its capital stock, and the number of shares into which the same is to be divided.

Each associate shall subscribe to the articles his name, residence, post-office address, and the number of shares of stock which he agrees to take.

Petition for incor-
poration and
hearing; notice,
how given.

SECT. 4. A petition setting forth said agreement of association or the terms thereof, signed by the subscribers thereto and praying for a decision of the question whether the public convenience and advantage will be promoted by the establishment of such corporation shall be filed with the board of trust company incorporation. A notice of a public hearing in such form as said board shall approve shall then be published at least once a week for three successive weeks, in one or more newspapers to be designated by said board, one of which shall be a newspaper published in the city or town in which it is proposed to establish the corporation, if there be such, otherwise one published in the county in which said city or town is situated, the first publication of such notice to be within thirty days after said petition is filed with said board, and a copy of such notice shall be mailed to every bank, trust company, or similar corporation located in said city or town, at least fourteen days before such hearing. Such notice shall specify the names of the incorporators, the name of the corporation and the location of the same, as set forth in said agreement, and shall designate the time and place of the hearing, at which the public and all persons interested may be heard upon said question. The board shall then decide the question and make a record of its decision. If the decision is adverse to the petitioners, the petition shall be dismissed and no further proceedings shall be had, but a new petition may be filed after one year from the date of the decision. If in any case the board of incorporation, after such hearing, shall be of opinion that the public convenience and advantage will not be promoted by the exercise by the proposed corporation of all the powers and privileges which are included in said agreement of association, but that the same would be promoted by the exercise of a part of those powers and privileges, it shall so notify the petitioners; and in such

case the petitioners may have leave to withdraw and may at once file another petition setting forth a new agreement of association, upon which the same procedure shall be had as upon an original petition.

SECT. 5. The first meeting of the subscribers to the agreement of association shall be called by a notice signed either by that subscriber to the agreement who is designated therein for the purpose, or by a majority of the subscribers, and such notice shall state the time, place, and purpose of the meeting. Seven days at least before the day appointed for the meeting, a copy of the notice shall be given to each subscriber, or left at his residence or usual place of business, or deposited in the post-office, postage prepaid, and addressed to him at his residence or usual place of business, and another copy thereof and an affidavit of one of the signers that the notice has been duly served shall be recorded with the records of the corporation. If all the incorporators shall, in writing indorsed upon the agreement of association, waive such notice and fix the time and place of the meeting, no notice shall be required. The subscribers to the agreement of association shall hold the franchise until the organization has been completed. At such first meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the incorporators shall organize by the choice by ballot of a temporary clerk, by the adoption of by-laws, and by the election by ballot of directors. All other officers, including a clerk, shall be chosen as provided by law, or, in default of such provision, as the by-laws may prescribe. All the officers so elected shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The temporary clerk shall make and attest a record of the proceedings until the clerk has been chosen and sworn, including a record of such choice and qualification.

First meeting; organization.

SECT. 6. A majority of the directors who are elected at such first meeting shall sign and make oath to a certificate setting forth:

Certificate of directors; certificate of incorporation, form of.

(1) A true copy of the agreement of association, the names of the subscribers thereto, and the name, residence, and post-office address of the officers of the corporation.

(2) The date of the first meeting and the successive adjournments thereof, if any.

(3) A copy of the records.

Such certificate shall be submitted to said board of incorporation, who shall examine the same, and may require such amendment thereof or such additional information as they may consider necessary. If they find that the public convenience and advantage will be promoted by the establishment of such corporation and that the proceedings in other respects conform to the provisions of this act relative to the organization of such corporations, they shall so certify and indorse their approval upon said certificate. Thereupon said certificate shall be filed in the office of the secretary of

state, who, upon payment of a fee equal to one tenth of one per cent. of the capital stock of said corporation as set forth in said articles, shall cause the same, with the indorsement thereon, to be recorded, and shall thereupon issue a certificate of incorporation in the following form :

State of New Hampshire.

Be it known, that whereas (the names of the subscribers to the agreement of association) have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of (the name of corporation), for the purpose (the purpose declared in the agreement of association), with a capital stock of (the amount fixed in the agreement of association), and have complied with the provisions of the statutes of this state in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of a majority of the directors of said corporation, duly approved by the board of trust company incorporation and recorded in this office: Now, therefore, I (the name of the secretary), secretary of state, do hereby certify that said (the names of the subscribers to the agreement of association), their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as, and are hereby made, an existing corporation under the name of (name of corporation), with the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties, and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

Witness my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the seal of the state hereunto affixed, this.....day of..... in the year.....(the date of the filing of the articles of organization).

The secretary of state shall sign the certificate of incorporation and cause the seal of the state to be thereto affixed, and such certificate shall have the force and effect of a special charter. The existence of such corporation shall begin upon the filing of the certificate of the directors in the office of the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall also cause a record of the certificate of incorporation to be made, and such certificate, or such record, or a certified copy thereof, shall be conclusive evidence of the existence of such corporation.

Issuance of stock regulated; trans- action of business, how authorized.

SECT. 7. Such corporation shall not issue any shares of stock until the par value of such shares, together with a surplus equal to twenty per cent. of said par value, shall have been actually paid in in cash. When the whole capital stock has been issued, a complete list of the stockholders, with the name, residence, and post-office address of each, and the number of shares held by each, shall be filed with the bank commission, which list shall be verified by

the president and clerk of the corporation. Upon receipt of such list, said commission shall cause an examination to be made; and if, upon such examination, it appears that the whole capital stock and said surplus fund have been paid in in cash, and that all requirements of law have been complied with, said commission shall issue a certificate authorizing such corporation to begin the transaction of business.- The transaction of business by such corporation prior to the granting of such certificate shall make the incorporation void; and in such case the stockholders shall be liable as partners for the contracts, debts, and engagements of the corporation.

SECT. 8. Any such corporation organized under this act or chartered prior to the passage thereof may file with said board of incorporation a petition setting forth an amended certificate of incorporation or an amended charter, as the case may be, within the provisions of this act, and praying for a decision of the question whether the public convenience and advantage will be promoted by the proposed amendment. A notice of a public hearing approved by said board, similar to that prescribed in section 4, shall be given in the manner provided in that section. The board shall, after said hearing, decide said question and make a record of its decision. If the decision is adverse to the petition, the petition shall be dismissed and no further proceedings shall be had, but a new petition may be filed after one year from the date of the decision. If the decision is favorable to the petition, a copy of the said amended certificate or charter, certified by the clerk of the corporation, with the approval of said board indorsed thereon, shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state, accompanied by a fee equal to one tenth of one per cent. of any increase in the capital stock provided for by such amended certificate or charter, and thereupon the secretary of state shall cause the same, with the indorsement thereon, to be recorded as provided in section 6, and shall issue a certificate of such amended incorporation, which shall conform as nearly as may be to the form prescribed in said section 6 and shall have the same force and effect, and thereafter such corporation shall have all the powers and privileges provided for by such amended certificate or charter and shall be subject to all the provisions of this act.

Amendments to certificates and charters.

SECT. 9. Any corporation organized under this act shall begin business within one year from the date of its incorporation; otherwise, its charter shall become void.

To begin business within one year.

SECT. 10. The capital stock of such corporation shall in no event be less than fifty thousand dollars, and in towns and cities of more than six thousand inhabitants it shall not be less than one hundred thousand dollars, and in towns and cities of more than fifty thousand inhabitants it shall not be less than two hundred thousand dollars, and in no event shall the capital stock exceed five hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Limitations on capital stock.

Officers.

SECT. 11. The officers of such corporation shall be a president, a clerk, a board of not less than five directors, a treasurer, and such other officers as may be prescribed in its by-laws and the laws of the state. Such officers, except the treasurer, shall be chosen annually.

Treasurer.

SECT. 12. The treasurer shall be elected by the board of directors, shall hold office during their pleasure, and shall give bond to the satisfaction of said board for the faithful performance of his duties.

Director, qualifications of.

SECT. 13. No person shall be a director of any such corporation unless he is a stockholder thereof, owning in his own right not less than ten shares of unpledged stock. A majority of the directors shall be citizens of and residents in the town or city where said corporation is located.

What business may be conducted.

SECT. 14. Such corporation may be authorized and empowered to receive on deposit, storage, or otherwise, money, government securities, bonds, stocks, coin, jewelry, plate, valuable papers and documents, evidences of debt, and other personal property of a similar character, for safe keeping, upon such terms or conditions as may be agreed upon, which said deposits may be made by corporations and persons acting individually or in any fiduciary capacity; to collect and disburse the income and principal of said property when due; to advance or loan money or credits on personal security or property; to advance or loan not exceeding twenty-five per cent. of its capital and surplus on notes secured by first mortgage of real estate situated in the New England States, but no such loan shall exceed seventy per cent. of the value of the security; to negotiate, purchase, and sell notes, stocks, bonds, and other evidences of debt; to do a general banking business; and to conduct a savings bank business.

May act as trustee, etc.

SECT. 15. Such corporation may be authorized and empowered to act as trustee of estates and under wills, mortgages, or other similar instruments, or as receiver, assignee, or agent for any person, firm, association, or corporation, public or private; and in all proceedings in court or elsewhere in relation to any of said trusts or agencies, all accounts and other papers may be signed and sworn to in behalf of the corporation by any officer duly authorized.

May act as registrar of securities, etc.

SECT. 16. Such corporation may be authorized and empowered to act as agent for the purpose of issuing, registering, or counter-signing certificates of stock, bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness of any corporation, association, municipal corporation, county or state government, on such terms as may be agreed upon.

Prior provisions repealed; outstanding charters amended.

SECT. 17. Any provision of law regarding trust companies, loan and trust companies, banking companies, loan and banking companies, or similar corporations, whether contained in the general statutes or in the charter of any institution incorporated by this state,

which authorizes or permits such company to issue, sell, or negotiate its own bonds or mortgage securities, or its own choses in action secured by mortgage of real estate, which are to be issued, sold, or negotiated as investments, or which authorizes or permits it to guarantee the bonds, mortgage securities, or other choses in action of other persons or corporations issued, sold, or negotiated as investments, or which authorizes or permits it to engage in the business of marine, fire, or life insurance, or fidelity, surety, accident, health, liability, credit, title, or other form of casualty insurance, is hereby repealed; and to that extent this act shall be an amendment to the charter of every trust company or similar corporation, and it shall not be necessary for such companies, or any of them, to accept said amendment. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any corporation or company actually engaged, on the first day of January, 1911, in the business of fidelity and surety insurance, in so far as the right of such company to continue such business of fidelity and surety insurance is concerned.

SECT. 18. Every such corporation shall set aside annually not ^{Surplus fund.} less than ten per cent. of its net earnings as a surplus fund, until such fund amounts to twenty-five per cent. of its capital stock; but no part of this fund shall be used in the payment of dividends on the stock of the corporation.

SECT. 19. The directors of any such corporation, in determining ^{Dividends.} dividends on its capital stock, shall vote thereon by yeas and nays, which vote shall be entered on the records of the corporation; and no such corporation shall declare any dividend except from its earnings remaining after deducting all losses, all sums for expenses, and all overdue debts upon which no interest has been paid for a period of six months unless the same are well secured and in process of collection. Each director voting for any dividend declared in violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be fined one hundred dollars.

SECT. 20. Any such corporation receiving savings deposits or ^{Savings department to be separate.} transacting the business of a savings bank shall conduct that business as a separate department, and that department shall be amenable to the laws of this state governing savings banks, including the taxation of savings banks.

SECT. 21. The real estate of such corporations shall be taxed in ^{How taxed.} the city or town where situated, as real estate of other owners is taxed, and every such corporation shall pay annually, on October 1, an excise tax for the privilege of conducting its business, equal in amount to one per cent. upon its capital stock and surplus after deducting the value of all real estate owned by the corporation and not already deducted from the amount of its savings deposits, and such tax, together with the tax upon its savings deposits, if any, or upon the privilege of conducting its savings department, if any,

shall be in lieu of all other taxes upon the property of such corporations and against the stockholders and savings depositors on account of their interest therein; but property held by such corporations upon deposit or otherwise as provided in section 14, or in trust or otherwise as provided in section 15, shall be subject to taxation in the same manner and to the same extent as though such property were deposited with or held under the same conditions or upon the same trust by an individual.

Right to hold real estate.

SECT. 22. Every such corporation may acquire and hold real estate for its own use, in whole or in part, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five per cent. of its capital and surplus, exclusive of such real estate as may be taken in good faith for debt or held as collateral security.

Assessment if capital impaired.

SECT. 23. Any such corporation whose capital stock shall in the opinion of the bank commission have become impaired by losses or otherwise shall within three months after receiving notice from said commission pay the deficiency in the capital stock by assessment upon the stockholders *pro rata* to the shares held by each. If any stockholder of such corporation shall neglect or refuse after three months' notice to pay such assessment, the directors shall cause an amount of his stock sufficient to make good his assessment to be sold at public auction after thirty days' notice to him in writing.

Loan on or purchase of own stock regulated.

SECT. 24. No such corporation shall make a loan or discount on the security of the shares of its own capital stock, nor be the purchaser or holder of such shares unless such security or purchase shall be necessary to prevent loss upon a debt previously contracted in good faith; and stock so purchased or acquired shall within six months after its purchase be sold or disposed of at public or private sale, unless such time is extended by the bank commission.

Loan to director.

SECT. 25. No loan shall be made to any officer or director of such corporation except by the unanimous approval of the board of directors in writing.

Loans, how limited.

SECT. 26. The total liabilities of a person, firm, or corporation, including in the liabilities of a firm the liabilities of its several members, for money borrowed of the commercial department of such corporation, shall at no time exceed ten per cent. of its capital stock actually paid in and surplus, nor shall such corporation purchase or hold, by way of investment, the stocks and bonds of any corporation to an amount in excess of said ten per cent., but the discount of bills of exchange drawn in good faith against actually existing values, and the discount of commercial or business paper actually owned by the person negotiating it, shall not be considered as money borrowed; *provided, however*, that this limitation shall not apply to securities described in subdivisions 6, 7, 8, and 9, of section 1, chapter 114, Laws of 1901.

SECT. 27. Every such corporation shall at all times have on hand as a reserve an amount equal to at least fifteen per cent. of the aggregate amount of its deposits in its commercial department. Not less than one third of such reserve shall consist either of lawful money of the United States, gold certificates, silver certificates, federal reserve notes, or national bank notes. Two thirds of such reserve may consist of net balances due the corporation from other banks approved by the bank commission. No new loan or investment shall be made by such a corporation when its reserve is not in accordance with the requirements of this section.

Reserve provided for.

SECT. 28. A trust company which becomes a stockholder in a federal reserve bank within the federal reserve district where such trust company is situated may have and exercise any and all of the corporate powers and privileges incident thereto which may be exercised by member banks under the provisions of the United States "federal reserve act," approved December 23, 1913, or any acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto; and while such trust company continues as a member bank under the provisions of said federal reserve act, or any acts in amendment thereof, it shall be subject to the provisions thereof relative to bank reserves, in substitution for the requirements of section 27 of this act and of section 4, chapter 120, Laws of 1911.

Federal reserve provisions.

SECT. 29. No such corporation shall hire money or give its note except by vote of the directors thereof, duly recorded; and all notes given by any such corporation shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the president and at least two members of the board of directors.

Hiring of money regulated.

SECT. 30. The stockholders in any such corporation shall be personally liable, equally and ratably, and not one for another, for all contracts, debts and engagements of the corporation to the amount of their stock therein at the par value thereof, in addition to the amount invested in such shares; *provided, however*, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to any such corporation which was actually engaged in the transaction of business on the first day of January, 1911, unless its charter shall have been amended under the provisions of this act. The officers and stockholders of corporations established under this act shall be excepted from the provisions of chapter 150 of the Public Statutes in the same manner and to the same extent that the officers and stockholders of banks are excepted.

Individual liability of stockholders.

SECT. 31. Every such corporation organized under this act, or chartered prior to the passage of this act, shall in such form and at such time as the bank commission may require, but not exceeding five times within any calendar year, make a report to said bank commission, signed and sworn to by its president or treasurer and attested by the signatures of not less than three of its directors, show-

Reports to bank commission.

ing accurately the condition of such corporation. Such report shall be made within ten days of receipt of notice, and shall exhibit in detail and under appropriate heads the resources and liabilities of the corporation at the close of business on any past day specified by said bank commission, and shall be published by and at the expense of such corporation in a newspaper in the place where such corporation is established, or if there is no newspaper in the place, then in one published nearest thereto in the same county, at such times and in such form as may be directed by said bank commission.

Procedure if law violated, unsafe methods adopted, etc.

SECT. 32. If in the opinion of the bank commission any such corporation or its officers have violated any law relative thereto, the said commission may forthwith report such violation to the attorney-general, who shall forthwith, in behalf of the state, institute a prosecution therefor. If in the opinion of the bank commission any such corporation is conducting any part of its business in an unsafe or unauthorized manner, the commission shall direct in writing that such unsafe or unauthorized practice shall be discontinued; and if any such corporation shall refuse or neglect to comply with any such direction of the commission, or if in the opinion of the commission an officer of such corporation has abused his trust, or has used his official position in a manner contrary to the interests of such corporation or its depositors or clients, or has been negligent in the performance of his duties, the commission may forthwith report the facts to the attorney-general, who may, after granting a hearing to said corporation or officer, institute proceedings in the superior court, which shall have jurisdiction in equity of such proceedings, for the removal of one or more of the officers, or such other proceedings as the case may require; or the commission may, in any such case, after giving a hearing to the directors of the corporation, either report to the shareholders thereof, or, with the consent in writing of the attorney-general, publish such facts relative thereto as in the opinion of the commission the public interests may require.

Application of act; repealing clause.

SECT. 33. The provisions of this act shall not apply to such corporations which were incorporated before its passage, except in so far as such corporations are in terms made subject thereto by its provisions. Otherwise such corporations shall remain subject to the laws in force prior to the passage of this act. Corporations organized under the provisions of this act shall be subject to all existing laws affecting such corporations, except in so far as the same are inconsistent with this act; but all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, in so far as they might otherwise affect corporations organized or which are or may become subject to the provisions of this act.

Not to act as executor, etc.

SECT. 34. No trust company, loan and trust company, loan and banking company, bank or banking company, or similar corpora-

tion, shall hereafter be appointed administrator of an estate, executor under a will, or guardian or conservator of the person or property of another.

SECT. 35. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 8, 1915.]

CHAPTER 110.

AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF EXCISE COMMISSIONERS.

SECTION

- 1. Excise commissioners provided for.
- 2. Clerks, assistants, etc.
- 3. Special agents, appointment and duties.

SECTION

- 4. Salaries; report; to act as board.
- 5. License commission abolished; duties transferred to excise commissioners.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened;

SECTION 1. Within ten days from the passage of this act, the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint a board of excise commissioners. Said board shall consist of three members, not more than two of whom shall be of the same political party, one of whom shall be appointed for a term ending on the thirty-first day of August, 1916, one for a term ending on the thirty-first day of August, 1918, and one for a term ending on the thirty-first day of August, 1920, each of said terms to begin upon the qualification of the person appointed therefor. Upon the expiration of the terms of the three members of said board first appointed as aforesaid, each succeeding member shall be appointed and hold his office for the term of six years from the expiration of the term of his predecessor, except in the case of a vacancy as hereinafter provided, and each member shall hold his office until his successor shall have been appointed and qualified. Removal from the state by any member of said board shall create a vacancy. Whenever a vacancy occurs, an appointment shall be made for the unexpired portion of the term.

Excise commissioners provided for.

SECT. 2. Said board shall be provided with suitable offices in the state house. They are hereby empowered to appoint a confidential clerk at such compensation as they may deem appropriate, and, with the approval of the governor and council, they shall appoint such other clerks, accountants, and assistants as may be deemed neces-

Clerks, assistants, etc.

sary and shall fix their compensation, which shall be paid from the treasury in equal monthly instalments upon warrant of the governor.

Special agents.

SECT. 3. Said board, with the approval of the governor and council, shall appoint one or more special agents and fix their compensation, which shall be paid from the state treasury in equal monthly instalments upon warrant of the governor. Said special agents shall hold office for one year following their appointment, and may be removed for cause by said board, with the approval of the governor and council, after due notice and hearing thereon. It shall be the duty of said special agents, under the direction of the board, to investigate all matters relating to the collection of license fees or penalties under chapter 95, Laws of 1903, and amendments thereto, and in relation to compliance with law by persons holding licenses under the terms of said chapter and its amendments. Any member of the board or any special agent may enter any place where liquor is sold, at any time, and may examine any license certificate issued or purporting to have been issued under the terms of said chapter. He may investigate any other matters in connection with the sale of liquor and shall make complaints for violations of the provisions of said chapter. Said special agents shall make all their complaints to the attorney-general, who shall investigate or authorize investigation of the same, and, if satisfied that they are well founded, shall bring such complaints before the board of excise commissioners for hearing and shall prosecute or order prosecution of the same before the board. Said special agents in the performance of their duties shall have the powers of constables in criminal cases within the limits of the state, and section 20, chapter 212, of the Public Statutes, shall not apply to them when acting as constables as aforesaid.

Salaries; report;
to act as board.

SECT. 4. One member of said board shall be designated and commissioned as chairman, and another member shall be designated and commissioned as clerk and treasurer. The chairman shall receive an annual salary of twenty-five hundred dollars, and the other two members shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars each. The clerk and treasurer shall file with the secretary of state a bond to the people of the state in the sum of fifty thousand dollars, with sureties approved by the governor and council, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duty. Said board shall keep a record of their doings and hearings, and shall make an annual report to the governor and council during each calendar year, which shall contain such statements, facts, and explanations as will disclose the actual workings of this act and its bearing upon the welfare of the state, including a statement of all receipts collected under this act and all expenses incurred, and also such suggestions as to the general policy of the state and such amendments

of this act as said board may deem best. In all matters relating to the issuance of a license for the sale of intoxicating liquors, to the fixing of fee therefor or the terms thereof, to proceedings under complaints made by the special agents, or for the forfeiture of a license or the bond thereon, or for the cancellation or transfer of a license, the three commissioners shall act together as a board, and no action shall be taken by them except by a majority vote.

SECT. 5. The tenure of office of the board of license commissioners created by and under the provisions of chapter 219, Laws of 1913, shall cease and determine July 1, 1915; and except as otherwise provided in this act, all powers and duties of the board of license commissioners, as provided by the laws of this state in force next prior to the passage of this act, shall be vested in the board of excise commissioners, and all existing law relative to the payment of the expenses of this department out of moneys received from license fees and paid into the state treasury shall remain in force.

License commis-
sion abolished;
transfer of duties.

[Approved April 8, 1915.]

CHAPTER 111.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

SECTION

1. Appointment of commissioner provided for.

SECTION

2. Salary of commissioner.
3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Upon the death, resignation, or removal of the secretary of state, the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint some suitable person as commissioner who shall administer the duties of that office until a secretary of state is elected and qualified. Before entering upon the discharge of his duties the commissioner shall give bond as provided for the secretary of state.

Commissioner provided for.

SECT. 2. Said commissioner shall receive the same salary as may be fixed by law for the secretary of state and it shall be paid in the same manner.

Salary.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 112.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF WHITE POND TO WHITE LAKE.

SECTION 1. Name changed to White lake.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Name changed.

SECTION 1. The name of White pond, situated in the town of Tamworth, is hereby changed to White lake.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 113.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 24 OF THE LAWS OF 1907, RELATING TO MEASUREMENT AND DESCRIPTION OF PRISONERS.

SECTION

1. County solicitor may order; when destroyed.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

County solicitor may order; when destroyed.

SECTION 1. Chapter 24 of the Laws of 1907 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

SECT. 2. The county solicitor in his discretion may order such officer or keeper of a prison, lock-up, or other place of detention to make such measurements and description of any prisoner so held; and when so ordered the expense of such measurements and description shall be paid to said officer or keeper by the county commissioners for said county.

SECT. 3. If, upon trial, any person who has been measured and described as provided for in section 1 of this act shall be found not guilty, or if the case is dismissed, or nol prossed by the county solicitor or attorney-general, said description, measurements, photographs, and finger prints shall be forthwith destroyed by the officer or keeper having the same in his custody.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 114.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO LEGISLATIVE TRANSPORTATION.

SECTION

1. Permitting improper use, penalty.
2. Attorney-general to prosecute.

SECTION

3. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. If any member of the general court, or any employee thereof, to whom railroad transportation is issued by and at the expense of the state of New Hampshire, shall allow, suffer, permit, or make possible the use by any other person of a legislative ticket issued in the name of said member or employee, he shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offense and shall forfeit his right to receive railroad transportation as such member or employee.

Permitting improper use, how punished.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the attorney-general to prosecute persons guilty of violations of this act.

Attorney-general to prosecute.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 115.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUE OF SECURITIES BY PUBLIC UTILITIES.

SECTION

1. Purposes for which securities may be issued.
2. Statement to be filed; amount of issue, how determined.

SECTION

3. Prior enactments saved.
4. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. A public utility lawfully engaged in business in this state may, with the approval of the public service commission, but not otherwise, issue its stock, bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness payable more than twelve months after the date thereof, for the purpose of defraying the cost of acquiring property of any kind which is reasonably requisite for present or

Purposes for which securities may be issued.

future use in the conduct of its business in this state, or of constructing, completing, extending, or improving its plant, equipment, or facilities for doing such business, or of maintaining or improving its service to the public within this state, or for any other purpose now authorized by law, including the payment or refunding of any outstanding indebtedness or securities issued for any such purpose.

Statement to be filed; amount of issue, how determined.

SECT. 2. Any such public utility which may apply to the public service commission for authority to issue such securities shall file with its application a statement in reasonable detail showing the actual amount of items of expense already incurred and the estimated amount of items of expense to be incurred for any of the purposes defined in the preceding section which it may desire to capitalize. The commission, after hearing and such reasonable investigation and inquiry as it may deem proper, shall determine the actual or probable cost of such items; and if in its judgment the issue of such securities upon the terms proposed is consistent with the public good, it shall authorize the same to an amount sufficient, at the price fixed in accordance with the laws applicable thereto, to provide funds for defraying the cost as so determined. Upon consideration of any such application, the commission may take into account all facts and circumstances which may be relevant to the question whether the proposed issue of securities may be made consistently with the public good; but upon any application for authority to issue securities for the purpose of providing funds for discharging any indebtedness incurred by a public utility in good faith prior to July 1, 1914, in acquiring property, or accomplishing any of the other purposes specified in the preceding section, no deduction shall be made from the cost thereof, as determined by the commission, on account of any estimated depreciation of plant and properties, beyond the portion, if any, of such cost which it may appear has been paid out of the depreciation reserve of said public utility, if any, or out of earnings to make good depreciation.

Prior enactments saved.

SECT. 3. This act shall not be construed to affect the provisions of section 14 of chapter 164, Laws of 1911, as amended by sections 14 and 15 of chapter 145, Laws of 1913, except in so far as said sections may be inconsistent with this act.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 116.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO COLLATERAL LEGACIES AND SUCCESSIONS AND
TO PROVIDE FOR AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

SECTION

1. Assistant attorney-general, appointment and salary of.
2. To conduct legacy tax litigation, etc.
3. Further duties prescribed.

SECTION

4. Acting attorney-general, when.
5. Legacy-tax expense provided for.
6. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is hereby authorized and directed to appoint an assistant attorney-general, at an annual salary of three thousand dollars and the reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of his duties, who shall hold office for the term of five years and until his successor is in like manner appointed and qualified. The governor and council may remove the assistant attorney-general at any time for proper cause.

SECT. 2. The assistant attorney-general shall conduct all litigation and shall advise and assist the state treasurer upon all questions of law arising in the administration of the legacy tax laws and in the general oversight of such administration, including the computation of the tax, and he may employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary to the proper performance of his duties as the governor and council may approve.

SECT. 3. It shall also be the duty of the assistant attorney-general to perform such service in connection with the advising of the executive departments of the state government and in the prosecution of litigation to which the state is a party as the attorney-general shall direct.

SECT. 4. In case the attorney-general shall become incapacitated, the assistant attorney-general shall be acting attorney-general until the governor and council shall appoint an acting attorney-general as now provided by section 7, chapter 190, Laws of 1911.

SECT. 5. Section 22 of chapter 40, Laws of 1905, as amended by chapter 104, Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 22. The expenses of the execution of this act, except the salaries of the assistant attorney-general and his assistants, shall be paid by the state treasurer, and the bills therefor shall be submitted to the governor and council for their approval.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect on its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 117.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 185 OF THE LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO THE INSPECTION AND LICENSING OF BOATS, AND THE EXAMINATION AND LICENSING OF THEIR CAPTAINS, MASTERS, ENGINEERS, AND PILOTS.

SECTION

1. Assistant inspectors provided for; duties of inspecting officers.
2. Rules and regulations.
3. One certificate to act in several capacities, when.

SECTION

4. Fees, how collected and accounted for.
5. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Assistant inspectors provided for; duties of inspecting officers.

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 185, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following: The commission may also, subject to the approval of the governor and council, appoint such assistant inspectors of boats as may in their judgment be required, who shall perform such part of the duties of the inspector of boats as may be assigned to them by the commission. The inspector and assistant inspectors of boats, in addition to their duties heretofore in this section prescribed, shall, under the direction of the commission, assist in the enforcement of the laws and the rules and regulations prescribed by the commission governing the inspection and licensing of boats, and the operation and equipment thereof, and the classification, examination, and certification of captains, masters, engineers, and pilots of all such boats; and in the enforcement of such laws and of such rules and regulations each of them shall have all the powers of a deputy sheriff in any county of the state. Boats kept principally for the purpose of letting, either by themselves or in connection with camps, cottages, or other real estate, shall be deemed to be kept for hire.

Rules and regulations.

SECT. 2. Section 2 of chapter 185, Laws of 1913, is amended to read as follows: SECT. 2. The public service commission shall prescribe rules and regulations governing the inspection and licensing of all such boats and the equipment and operation thereof, except as otherwise provided, copies of which rules and regulations shall be furnished to all owners of such boats. They may also prescribe rules and regulations for the classification, examination, and certification of captains, masters, engineers, pilots, and operators of all such boats. In conducting such examinations, the inspector and assistant inspector of boats shall have authority to administer the oath. All rules and regulations prescribed by the commission governing the equipment and operation of such boats shall apply to

boats of the classes above described, though not operated as common carriers or kept for hire, and shall be binding on the persons owning, leasing, or operating them, except as may be otherwise provided in such rules and regulations. All such rules and regulations shall be subject to modification from time to time as occasion may require. Until other rules and regulations shall be prescribed, the existing rules and regulations shall be in full force and effect.

SECT. 3. Section 4 of chapter 185, Laws of 1913, is amended by adding the following at the end of said section: Only one certificate shall be required to entitle the holder thereof to act in any or all the above capacities on any motor boat or boats permitted to carry a maximum of not exceeding twenty-five passengers. One certificate to act in several capacities, when.

SECT. 4. Chapter 185 of the Laws of 1913 is further amended by striking out the words "to the state treasurer" in lines 1 and 32 of section 4, by striking out the words "by the state treasurer" in line 31 of section 4, by renumbering sections 6 and 7, and by inserting a new section, to be numbered 6, as follows: SECT. 6. All fees payable under this act shall be paid to the public service commission and receipted for by the inspector or an assistant inspector of boats or by the chief engineer of the commission, and shall be promptly paid into the state treasury. Fees, how collected and accounted for.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 118.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE AND TO STANDARDIZE THE STRENGTH AND PURITY OF FUNGICIDES AND INSECTICIDES.

SECTION

- 1. Packages, how to be marked.
- 2. Samples and statements to commissioner of agriculture.
- 3. Analysis of samples.
- 4. Illegal sale, how punished.

SECTION

- 5. Prosecution of offenses.
- 6. Adulteration, what constitutes.
- 7. Misbranding, what constitutes.
- 8. Takes effect September 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Every lot or package of fungicide or insecticide which is manufactured, sold, distributed, or offered or exposed for sale in this state shall have affixed in a conspicuous place on the outside thereof a plainly printed statement clearly and truly stating Packages, how to be marked.

the net ounces or pounds in the package or container, the name or trademark under which the article is sold, the name and address of the manufacturer or shipper, the place of manufacture, and also a statement of the chemical or physical composition of the material as follows: First, in case of Paris green and lead arsenate, the minimum per centum of total arsenic and the maximum per centum of water-soluble arsenic which it contains; second, in the case of fungicides and insecticides, other than Paris green and lead arsenate, the name and per centum of active ingredients, or the quality or strength under which the material is sold, and in addition the per centum of inert materials which it contains, as hereinafter provided.

Samples and statements to commissioner of agriculture.

SECT. 2. Every manufacturer, company, corporation, or person shall, before selling, offering, or exposing for sale or distribution in this state any fungicide or insecticide, file annually during the month of December with the commissioner of agriculture a certified copy of the statement specified in the preceding section, said certified copy to be accompanied, when the commissioner shall so request, by a sealed glass jar or bottle containing at least one pound of the fungicide or insecticide sold or offered for sale; and the company or person furnishing said sample shall thereupon make affidavit that said sample corresponds to the statement as printed upon all packages or containers sold or offered for sale or distribution. At the time of filing such certificate there shall be paid to the commissioner of agriculture a registration fee of ten dollars. Whenever the manufacturer, company, corporation, or person shall have filed the statement required in section 2 of this act and paid the registration fee, no agent or seller shall be required to file such statement or pay such fee.

Analysis of samples.

SECT. 3. The commissioner of agriculture may cause to be analyzed, or otherwise tested, at the New Hampshire agricultural experiment station, samples of fungicides or insecticides sold or offered for sale under the provisions of this act, the cost of said analysis or test to be defrayed from funds received for registration under section 2. The result of the analyses or tests, together with such additional information as may be deemed necessary, may be published in bulletins from time to time by the commissioner of agriculture or by the Agricultural College experiment station, as the governor and council may direct.

Illegal sale, how punished.

SECT. 4. Any manufacturer, company, corporation, or person who sells, or offers or exposes for sale, any adulterated or misbranded goods, or who shall refuse to comply with or conform to the provisions of this act, shall upon conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction be fined not more than fifty dollars for the first offense and not more than one hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.

SECT. 5. Whenever the commissioner becomes cognizant of the violation of any of the provisions of this act, he shall prosecute the party or parties thus reported; but it shall be the duty of the commissioner, upon ascertaining any violations of this act, to forthwith notify the manufacturer or dealer in writing and give him not less than thirty days to comply with such provisions.

Prosecution of offenses.

SECT. 6. For the purposes of this act, any brand of fungicide or insecticide shall be deemed to be adulterated:

Adulteration, what constitutes.

In case of Paris green: (1) If it does not contain at least fifty per centum of arsenious oxide (As_2O_3). (2) If it contains arsenic in water-soluble forms equivalent to more than three and one half per centum of arsenious oxide (As_2O_3). (3) If any substance has been mixed or packed with it so as to reduce or injuriously affect its quality or strength.

In case of lead arsenate paste: (1) If it contains more than fifty per centum water. (2) If it contains total arsenic equivalent to less than twelve and one half per centum of arsenic oxid (As_2O_5). (3) If it contains arsenic in water-soluble forms equivalent to more than seventy-five one hundredths per centum of arsenic oxid (As_2O_5). (4) If any substances have been mixed with it so as to reduce or injuriously affect its quality or strength; *provided, however*, that extra water may be added to lead arsenate paste if the resulting mixture is labeled lead arsenate and water, the percentage of extra water being plainly and correctly stated on the label.

In case of lead arsenate powder: (1) If it contains total arsenic equivalent to less than twenty-five per centum of arsenic oxid (As_2O_5). (2) If it contains arsenic in water-soluble forms equivalent to more than one and one half per centum of arsenic oxid (As_2O_5). (3) If any substances have been mixed with it so as to reduce or injuriously affect its quality or strength.

In the case of fungicides or insecticides, other than Paris green and lead arsenate: (1) If its strength or purity fall below the professed standard or quality under which it was sold. (2) If any substance has been substituted wholly or in part for the article. (3) If any valuable constituent of the article has been wholly or in part abstracted.

SECT. 7. For the purposes of this act, any brand of fungicide or insecticide shall be deemed to be misbranded: (1) If it be an imitation, or offered for sale under the name of another article. (2) If it be labeled or branded so as to deceive or mislead the purchaser, or if the contents of the package as originally put up shall have been removed in whole or in part and other contents shall have been placed in such package. (3) If the name of the article and the weight or measure are not plainly and correctly stated on the outside of the package.

Misbranding, what constitutes.

In the case of fungicides and insecticides, other than Paris green and lead arsenate: (1) If it contains arsenic in any of its combinations or in the elemental form, and the total amount of arsenic present (expressed as per centum of metallic arsenic) is not stated on the label. (2) If it contains arsenic in any of its combinations or in the elemental form, and the amount of arsenic in water-soluble forms (expressed as per centum of metallic arsenic) is not stated on the label. (3) If it consists partially or completely of an inert substance or substances which do not prevent, destroy, repel, or mitigate insects or fungi, and does not have the names and per centum amounts of each and every one of such inert ingredients plainly and correctly stated on the label; *provided, however*, that in lieu of naming and stating the per centum amount of each and every inert ingredient, the producer may at his discretion state plainly upon the label the correct names and per centum amounts of each and every ingredient of the fungicide or insecticide having fungicidal or insecticidal properties, and make no mention of the inert ingredients, except in so far as to state the total per centum of inert ingredients present.

Takes effect September 1, 1915.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect September 1, 1915.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 119.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 10, CHAPTER 78, LAWS OF 1897,
RELATING TO THE BALLOTS FOR USE AT BIENNIAL ELECTIONS.

SECTION

1. Ballots, how prepared and what to contain.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Ballots, how prepared and what to contain.

SECTION 1. Section 10 of chapter 78, Laws of 1897, as amended and as at present in force, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 10. Ballots for use in biennial elections and in all other elections for national and state officers shall be prepared by the secretary of state, and printed and delivered at the expense of the state. Every ballot shall contain the name and residence of each candidate who has been nominated in accordance with law, and shall contain no other name except party appellation and names

of candidates for president and vice-president of the United States. In case a nomination is made by nomination papers, the words Nom. Papers shall be added to the party appellation. The names of candidates nominated by any party or by petition shall be arranged upon the ballot in perpendicular columns. The candidates of each party shall be arranged in separate columns, and the candidates of the party receiving the largest number of votes at the last preceding general election shall be placed in the first column; *provided, however*, that in case only a part of a full list of candidates is nominated under a political designation, two or more such lists may be arranged whenever practicable in the same column. The order in which the officers to be voted for shall be placed in the party columns aforesaid shall be as follows: Electors of president and vice-president of the United States, governor, United States senator, representative in congress, councilor, state senator, representative in the general court, county officers, town or ward officers. Immediately above the name of each candidate shall be printed the political designation of the office for which he is nominated, as For Governor, For Senator, and the like, and at the right of the name of each candidate and on the same line there shall be a square, except that in the case of electors of president and vice-president of the United States one square shall suffice for each group of electors. In the last or right-hand column of each ballot there shall be no circle or device, but there shall be printed in the regular order the political designation of each office, as For Governor, For Senator, and the like, and beneath each designation there shall be left as many blank lines as there are persons to be elected to such office. Above each column or list of candidates shall be printed in large, plain letters the name of the political party by which the candidates in such column or list were nominated. Above the party designation shall be printed a circle not less than three fourths of an inch in diameter, and such circle shall be surrounded by the following words printed in plain letters: For a straight ticket make a cross (X) within this circle. In case a voter desires to vote for a candidate whose name is not printed under the circle in which he has marked, he shall erase or cancel the name of the candidate in such column for whom he refuses to vote, and may vote for the candidate of his choice by marking a cross (X) in the square opposite the name of such candidate, or by writing in the name of the person for whom he desires to vote in the right-hand column prepared for the purpose. In such case the vote so marked in the square, or so inserted in the right-hand column, shall be counted, and such ballot shall not be counted for the candidate for the same office whose name is erased. Unless cancelled or erased, all names in the party columns under the circle marked by the voter shall be counted to the exclusion of all others. One mark in

the square opposite the names of candidates for electors of president and vice-president shall be counted as a vote for each. *Provided, however,* that a voter may omit to mark in any circle and may vote for one or more candidates by marking a cross (X) in the square opposite the names, or he may insert the names of the candidates of his choice in the blank or right-hand column, and such votes shall be counted. Whenever the approval of a constitutional amendment or other question is submitted to the vote of the people, such question shall be printed upon the ballots after or beneath the lists of candidates. The ballots shall be so printed as to give to each voter an opportunity to designate by a cross mark (X) in a square his answer to the question submitted. The ballots shall be printed on plain white paper, in weight not less than that of ordinary printing paper, and there shall be no impression or mark to distinguish one ballot from another. The names of all candidates shall be printed in uniform type, and the ballots for each town or ward shall be so folded that their width and length when folded shall be uniform. Upon the back of each ballot shall be printed the words Official ballot for, followed by the name of the town or ward for which the ballot is prepared, the date of the election, and a *fac-simile* of the signature of the officer who prepares the ballot. Above each circle shall be placed an emblem or device designating or distinguishing the political party assigned to that column. The emblem or device shall be selected by the secretary of state or other officer preparing the ballots, for each political party represented upon the ballots, shall be different for each of such parties, and may be the representation of a star, an animal, an anchor, or any other appropriate symbol; but neither the coat of arms or the seal of any state, or of the United States, nor the national flag, nor any religious emblem or symbol, nor the portrait of any person, nor the representation of a coin or of the currency of the United States shall be chosen as a distinguishing emblem.

Takes effect on
passage.

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

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 120.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF MOTOR BOATS AND THE PROVISION AND CARE OF LIGHTS, BUOYS, AND OTHER AIDS TO NAVIGATION.

SECTION

1. Registration provided for.
2. How effected; fees, certificates, etc.
3. Illegal operation, penalties.
4. Fees, how expended.

SECTION

5. Lights and buoys, location and maintenance of.
6. Repealing clause; act takes effect August 31, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. No person shall operate upon any of the waters of this state any boat propelled by electric, naphtha, gasoline, steam, or other mechanical power, not operated as a common carrier or kept for hire, unless said boat has been registered and the registration fee paid as provided in this act. This act shall not, however, apply to any boat operated on any river, lake, or pond on which in the same year less than five such boats are kept. Registration provided for.

SECT. 2. Every person owning any boat described in section 1 shall annually, before putting the same in operation, apply to the public service commission for registration of said boat, and shall pay to said commission, at the time of making such application, a fee of one dollar. Such application and payment may be made in person at the office of the commission, or to the inspector of boats or any assistant inspector, or by mail addressed to the commission. Application shall be made on blanks provided for that purpose by the commission. Each boat shall be registered by the commission and shall be given a distinguishing number. A plate or plates bearing the proper number shall be furnished the boat-owner by the commission, and shall be attached to the boat in such manner as the commission shall prescribe. The commission shall also give to the boat-owner a certificate that the boat has been legally registered, which certificate shall at all times be kept upon said boat while in operation, and shall be open to examination by the inspector or any assistant inspector of boats, upon request. How effected; fees, certificates, etc.

SECT. 3. If any person shall operate any boat described in section 1 of this act, in any year in which said boat has not been registered as required by this act, or without having attached thereto the number plate or plates furnished by the public service commission, he, and the owner of said boat if the same is operated with his permission or assent, shall be liable to a fine of not exceeding one hundred dollars, or imprisonment for not more than one year, or to both such fine and imprisonment, for each offense. Operation of un-registered boat, etc., how punished.

If any person operating any such boat shall refuse or fail to exhibit to any inspector or assistant inspector of boats the certificate of registration of said boat when thereto requested, while such boat is in operation, he shall be fined not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each such offense. If any such boat is owned by a corporation, for any offense against the provisions of this act, in connection with the operation of such boat, a fine may be imposed upon said corporation, and sentence of fine or imprisonment, as provided in this section, may also be imposed upon any officer or agent of said corporation having the custody and control of said boat and committing, or permitting or assenting to the commission of, such offense.

Fees, how expended.

SECT. 4. All fees collected under this act shall be paid into the state treasury, and shall stand appropriated (1) for defraying the expenses of administration of this act and (2) for paying the expense of administering and enforcing the provisions of chapter 185 of the Laws of 1913, and amendments thereto. Any balance remaining from the fees collected under this act and under chapter 185 of the Laws of 1913, together with the balance now in the treasury from fees received under the provisions of chapter 185 of the Laws of 1913, shall stand appropriated to the use of the public service commission, to be expended in placing and maintaining lights and buoys, removing obstructions to navigation, and otherwise improving the navigability of the public inland waters of the state. Such appropriation shall not lapse at the close of any fiscal year.

Lights and buoys, location and maintenance of.

SECT. 5. All lights and buoys now maintained at public expense on the inland waters of the state are hereby placed under the jurisdiction of the public service commission. Said commission shall make such alterations and improvements in existing lights and buoys as may be desirable, place additional lights and buoys where required to promote the safety of navigation, remove obstructions tending to impede navigation, and, through its inspector and assistant inspectors of boats and such other persons as it may be necessary to employ for that purpose, subject to the approval of the governor and council, shall maintain all lights and buoys under its jurisdiction; it being the purpose of this act that the fees received under this act and under the provisions of chapter 185 of the Laws of 1913 shall all be available for the purpose of improving the safety and comfort of the public in navigating the inland waters of the state.

Repealing clause; act takes effect August 31, 1915.

SECT. 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect August 31, 1915.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 121.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE EQUIPMENT OF FREIGHT CARS.

SECTION

1. Railroads to equip lumber cars with stakes and wires.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect October 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. All railroads transporting lumber within this state which is loaded therein shall equip all cars with proper stakes and wire such as shall be ordered by the public service commission, when such cars are used as require the same. Stakes and wires for lumber cars.

SECT. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on the first day of October, 1915. Repealing clause; act takes effect October 1, 1915.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 122.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 126 OF THE LAWS OF 1907, RELATING TO WATER-WORKS OWNED BY TOWNS.

SECTION

1. Contracts with other towns and non-residents authorized.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 3 of chapter 126, Laws of 1907, by inserting, after the word "not," the following words: and also with other municipalities and with individuals and corporations located in other municipalities; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 3. Said towns and precincts are authorized and empowered to contract with individuals and corporations, whether citizens of said towns or precincts or not, and also with other municipalities and with individuals and corporations located in other municipalities, for supplying them with water for any of the purposes herein named or contemplated, and to make such contracts, and establish such regulations and Contracts with other towns and non-residents authorized.

tolls for the use of water for any of said purposes, as may from time to time be deemed proper and necessary to enjoy the provisions of this act.

Repealing clause:
act takes effect on
passage.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 123.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO FIRE-ESCAPES.

SECTION

1. Certain buildings to have; form prescribed.
2. Exits, how to be marked.

SECTION

3. Penalties for violation.
4. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Certain buildings
to have fire-
escapes; form
prescribed.

SECTION 1. No building three or more stories in height used or occupied above the second story as a hotel, transient lodging house, schoolhouse, orphan asylum, theatre, hall for public assembly, factory, mill, or workshop, and no building used in part for commercial purposes and occupied above the second story as a lodging or boarding house, and no building used as an apartment or tenement house above the third story, shall be let, leased, or occupied for such purposes, except school dormitories which are otherwise provided with safe and adequate fire-escapes, unless provided with a steel or wrought-iron balcony and stairway fire-escape attached to the outer wall in such manner and place as to render egress from said building easy and safe, and shall be subject to the approval as to location of the selectmen of towns or of such city officials as may be designated by the city governments for that purpose. If any such building be of a length greater than one hundred and fifty feet, it shall be provided with one additional such fire-escape for each additional one hundred and fifty feet or fractional part thereof. Every building in which laborers are employed shall be provided with sufficient means of escape in case of fire by more than one exit, each of which shall be at all times free from obstruction and ready for immediate use. Every door leading into any such building shall be so constructed as to open outward when practicable, and shall not be so locked,

bolted, or fastened during working hours as to prevent free egress. This act shall not apply to buildings which contain an approved sprinkler system and stairways enclosed with fire-proof walls, or other means of exit duly approved in writing by the selectmen of towns or by such city officials as may be designated by city governments for that purpose. But it shall not be necessary to secure the approval of said officers for any such building as has been theretofore duly approved by officials authorized at the time of such approval to grant the same.

SECT. 2. Such fire-escapes shall reach within eight feet of the ground, and the locations of the exits thereto shall be designated by red lights during such hours of the night as the building is occupied for the purposes designated in section 1 of this act. Exits, how to be marked.

SECT. 3. If any person shall violate any of the provisions of this act, he shall be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars or be imprisoned not exceeding six months, or both, and it shall be the duty of said officers to enforce the provisions of this act. Penalties.

SECT. 4. Chapter 137 of the Laws of 1907, chapter 164 of the Laws of 1909, chapter 43 of the Laws of 1911, and chapter 215 of the Laws of 1913 are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 124.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 167, LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS BY DIRECT VOTE OF THE PEOPLE."

SECTION

1. Elections, when to be held.

SECTION

2. How conducted in towns and cities.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Chapter 167, Laws of 1913, entitled "An act to provide for the election of delegates to national conventions by direct vote of the people," is hereby amended by striking out the words "third Tuesday in May" in section 1 of said act and inserting in place thereof the words, second Tuesday in March, so that said section as amended shall read: SECTION 1. On the second Tuesday in March in the year 1916, and each year thereafter when a president of the United States is to be elected, a Elections, when to be held.

primary shall be held for the election of delegates at large, alternate delegates at large, delegates, and alternate delegates to the national conventions of the various political parties to be held to nominate party candidates for president and vice-president of the United States.

How conducted in towns and cities

SECT. 2. Section 2 of said act is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 2. Said primary election in towns shall be held in connection with the regular March meeting; said primary election in cities shall be held at the regular polling places in the various wards; and in all cases the said primary election shall be conducted by the regular election officers.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 125.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 113 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO DISEASES OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

SECTION

1. Diseased horses or swine, sale of, how punished.

SECTION

2. Tubercular animals, examination, etc.
3. Diseased bovines, sale restricted.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Diseased horses or swine, sale of, how punished.

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 113 of the Public Statutes by striking out the whole of section 18 and substituting the following: SECT. 18. Any person who shall sell, offer for sale, trade, or barter any horse infected by the disease known as glanders, or swine infected by the disease known as hog cholera, or expose the same or allow them to be exposed upon any highway or in any public place or pasture, shall be fined a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars or confined thirty days in jail, or both, for each offense.

Tubercular animals, examination and disposition of.

SECT. 2. The commissioner of agriculturè may make an examination of any animal or animals, owned by any person or persons within this state, reported to him as being tubercular; and if in his judgment he deems necessary, he may cause to be made a tuberculin test, provided that the owner or agent shall agree in writing to improve sanitary conditions, to disinfect his premises should diseased cattle be found, to agree to slaughter animals responding to such test or hold them in quarantine pur-

suant to the directions of the commissioner of agriculture, and to follow instructions designed to prevent the reinfection of the herd, or to suppress the disease or prevent the spread thereof. Any bovine animal in which tuberculosis is diagnosed by a physical examination or the tuberculin test, or both, which is not immediately slaughtered, shall be marked by inserting in the left ear a metal tag or button, upon which is stamped a number and the capital letter T; and a record of each number, with a full and complete description of each animal, shall be kept by the commissioner of agriculture, and he is authorized to make regulations whereby animals reacting to the tuberculin test, which show no marked physical indications of disease, may be retained by the owner and used for breeding purposes, and the dairy products of such animals may be sold under regulations made by the state board of health; *provided, however*, that any bovine animal slaughtered by order of the commissioner shall not be appraised more than one hundred dollars.

SECT. 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, offer for sale, trade, or barter any bovine animal known to have a communicable, infectious, or contagious disease, except for immediate slaughter under the inspection of state or federal authorities, or by written permit from the commissioner of agriculture under such regulations which may be hereafter made and provided.

Diseased bovines,
sale restricted.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 126.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 6 OF CHAPTER 96, LAWS OF 1901,
RELATING TO HIGH SCHOOLS AND ACADEMIES, AS AMENDED BY
CHAPTER 90, LAWS OF 1905.

SECTION

1. Assignment of scholars to high schools regulated.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause: act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 6 of chapter 96, Laws of 1901, as amended by chapter 90, Laws of 1905, is hereby amended by adding the following: *Provided, however*, that the board of education may, upon application in writing and hearing, assign any child in such district to

Assignment of
scholars to high
schools regulated.

another high school or academy other than that with which such contract shall be made, and the district in which the child with parent or guardian resides shall be liable to the academy or high school to which such child is assigned for tuition of such child, as provided by chapter 96, Laws of 1901, and amendments thereto; and *provided, further*, that the person making application to the board of education as provided in this act may, whenever such application is denied, refer the matter to the state superintendent of public instruction for review and final decision; so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 6. Any school district may make contracts with any academies or high schools or other literary institutions located in the state for furnishing instruction to its scholars; and such school district may raise and appropriate money to carry into effect any contracts in relation thereto. Every such academy or high school or literary institution shall then be deemed a high school maintained by such district, if approved by the superintendent of public instruction in accordance with section 4 of this act. *Provided, however*, that the board of education may, upon application in writing and hearing, assign any child in such district to another high school or academy other than that with which such contract shall be made, and the district in which the child with parent or guardian resides shall be liable to the academy or high school to which such child is assigned for tuition of such child, as provided by chapter 96, Laws of 1901, and amendments thereto; and *provided, further*, that the person making application to the board of education as provided in this act may, whenever such application is denied, refer the matter to the state superintendent of public instruction for review and final decision.

Repealing clause;
act takes effect on
passage. SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 127.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 128, LAWS OF 1909, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 166, LAWS OF 1911, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE STATE SYSTEM OF FOREST PROTECTION."

SECTION 1. Conferences of forest fire wardens.	SECTION 2. Takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 25 of chapter 128, Laws of 1909, as amended by chapter 166, Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 25. The state forester, under the direction of the forestry commission, may call conferences of the forest fire wardens, deputy forest fire wardens, and other employees of the forestry department in different sections of the state for the purpose of improving the service. Those summoned by the state forester shall be allowed their traveling expenses in attending such conferences. He may, with the consent of the forestry commission, secure the attendance at such conferences of expert foresters from without the state, the said experts to be paid their necessary traveling expenses.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 128.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE OF LIGHTNING RODS.

SECTION 1. License required. 2. Prerequisites for license. 3. Agents, how licensed. 4. Exhibit of license, etc.	SECTION 5. Sale without license, how punished. 6. Suit on guarantee, how brought. 7. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. No manufacturer, person, firm, or corporation shall sell or offer for sale material used for the protection of buildings from damage by lightning until authorized to do so by a license obtained from the insurance commissioner under the provisions of this act.

Prerequisites for
license.

SECT. 2. No such license shall be issued until the insurance commissioner has approved of the material made by such manufacturer for the purpose of protecting from lightning, and of the manner and system of installing such material, nor until such manufacturer, person, firm, or corporation referred to in section 1 of this act has filed a bond with the insurance commissioner in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, with security satisfactory to the insurance commissioner, for the purpose of securing the payment of any final judgment that may be recovered against such manufacturer in any court of competent jurisdiction in this state, together with a written stipulation that legal process affecting such manufacturer or his agent, served upon the insurance commissioner for the time being, shall have the same effect as if personally served upon such manufacturer or his agent within the state. When the insurance commissioner is satisfied that the manufacturer has complied with such requirements and is safe and reliable as to assets, business standing, and methods, and is entitled to confidence, he shall require to be filed with him a copy of the guarantee agreement issued by such manufacturer, which guarantee agreement must provide that, in the event of damage by lightning to property rodded by said manufacturer or his agent, money for the rodding of said building shall be returned to the owner thereof, or the damage to said building repaired. The form of such guarantee agreement shall be approved by the insurance commissioner before the issuance thereof; and upon the payment to him of a fee of fifty dollars he may issue a license to such manufacturer, to continue in force one year from date of issue. The license may be revoked at any time by the insurance commissioner for good cause, after a hearing.

Agents, how
licensed.

SECT. 3. Upon written notice from a licensed manufacturer under this act of the appointment of a suitable person to act as his agent in this state, and upon the presentation of a certificate of his good reputation and moral character, signed by the mayor or selectmen of the city or town of which he is a resident, the insurance commissioner may, if he is satisfied that the appointee is a suitable person, issue to him a license as such agent, upon the receipt of a fee of two dollars. Such license shall continue in force one year from date of issue, but may be revoked at any time by the insurance commissioner for good cause and after a hearing. Such agents shall be residents of the state.

Exhibit of license,
etc.

SECT. 4. Every agent shall, upon demand, exhibit his license to any mayor, selectman, sheriff or his deputy, constable, or police officer, and to any person to whom he sells or offers to sell lightning rods, and shall furnish a copy of this act to every person to whom he sells such lightning rods. If he neglects or refuses to do so, he

shall be liable to the penalty provided by this act for acting as such agent without a license.

SECT. 5. Any person not licensed as provided by this act, selling or offering for sale such lightning rods or other material, shall be punished by a fine of not over two hundred dollars or six months' imprisonment for each offense, or both. The licenses provided for by this act are good for only one person, firm, or corporation, and are not transferable.

Sale without license, how punished.

SECT. 6. The holder of any guarantee agreement issued under the provisions of this act may bring suit in the name of the insurance commissioner upon the bond provided by this act, and have the same procedure and remedies thereon as in the case of official bonds of county officers. Whenever legal process against such manufacturer is served upon the commissioner, he shall take such action as is provided in the case of the service of legal processes against foreign companies.

Suit on guarantee, how brought.

SECT. 7. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 129.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 133 OF THE LAWS OF 1911, ENTITLED "AN ACT REPEALING CHAPTER 86 OF THE LAWS OF 1905 AND CHAPTER 154 OF THE LAWS OF 1909, AND ENACTING A MOTOR VEHICLE LAW," AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 81 AND CHAPTER 171 OF THE LAWS OF 1913.

SECTION

- 1. Meaning of terms used.
- 2. Seals for motor cycles.
- 3. Seals for motor cycles of non-residents.
- 4. Seals for motor cycles of dealers.
- 5. Motor cycle to display seal.

SECTION

- 6. Headlights to be dimmed, when.
- 7. Management of motor vehicle near street cars, etc.
- 8. Fees for registrations, licenses, etc.
- 9. No fees for certain motor vehicles.
- 10. Takes effect, when.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of said chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911 as amended is hereby stricken out and the following is substituted therefor: SECTION 1. Terms used in this act shall be construed as follows, unless a different meaning is clearly apparent from the

Meaning of terms used.

language or context, or unless such construction is inconsistent with the manifest intention of the legislature:

“Secretary” shall mean the secretary of state for the state of New Hampshire.

“Automobile” shall include all motor vehicles except motor cycles.

“Chauffeur” shall mean any person who operates a motor vehicle other than his own, and who directly or indirectly receives compensation therefor.

“Dealer” shall include every person who actually is engaged in the business of buying, selling or exchanging motor vehicles, on commission or otherwise.

“Garage” shall mean every place where five or more motor vehicles are stored or housed at any one time, except only such places in which motor vehicles are kept by the owners thereof without payment for storage.

“Intersecting way” shall mean any way which joins another at an angle, whether or not it crosses the other.

“Motor cycle” shall apply only to motor vehicles having but two wheels in contact with the ground and with pedals and a saddle on which the driver sits astride, but a motor cycle may carry a one-wheel attachment for the conveyance of a passenger.

“Motor vehicles” shall include automobiles, motor cycles, and all other vehicles used upon highways, propelled by power other than muscular power, except railroad and railway cars and motor vehicles running only upon rails or tracks.

“Non-resident” shall apply to residents of states, districts, or countries who have no regular place of abode or business in this state for a period of more than three months continuously in the calendar year.

“Number plate” shall mean the sign or marker furnished by the secretary, on which is displayed the register number or mark of a motor vehicle assigned to such motor vehicle by the secretary.

“Operator” shall mean any person who operates a motor vehicle, other than a chauffeur.

“Person,” wherever used in connection with the registration of a motor vehicle, shall include all corporations, associations, partnerships, companies, firms, or other aggregations of individuals who own or control such vehicles, in any capacity, or for any purpose.

“Police officer” or “officer” shall include any constable or other officer authorized to make arrest or serve process.

“Register number” shall apply to the number or mark assigned by the secretary to a motor vehicle.

“Thickly settled or business part of a city or town” shall mean the territory of a city or town contiguous to any way which is built up with structures devoted to business or the territory of a city or

town contiguous to any way where the dwelling-houses are situated at such distances as will average less than one hundred feet between such dwelling-houses for a distance of a quarter of a mile or over.

“Way” shall mean any public highway, street, avenue, road, alley, park, or parkway, or any private way laid out under authority of statute.

SECT. 2. Section 2 of said chapter 133 is hereby amended by striking out the words “but no such number plates shall be furnished by the secretary of state for motor cycles” and substituting therefor the following: The secretary shall furnish in like manner to every person whose motor cycle is registered as aforesaid a seal circular in form, approximately two inches in diameter, bearing thereon the words Registered Motor Cycle No. ———, N. H., together with the year of the issue thereof and with the register number of the motor cycle stamped or otherwise suitably inscribed thereon; so that said section 2 as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Application for the registration of motor vehicles may be made by the owner thereof, by mail or otherwise, to the secretary, upon blanks prepared under his authority. The application shall contain in addition to such other particulars as may be required by the secretary, a statement of the name, place of residence, and street address of the applicant, with a brief description of the motor vehicle, including the name of the maker, the number, if any, affixed by the maker the character of the motor power, and the amount of such motor power stated in figures of horse-power. The proper registration fee, as provided in section 26, shall be deposited before said application is granted. The secretary or his duly authorized agent shall then register in a book, or upon suitable index cards to be kept for the purpose, the motor vehicle described in the application, giving to said vehicle a distinguishing number or other mark to be known as the register number for said vehicle, and shall thereupon issue to the applicant a certificate of registration. Said certificate shall contain the name, place of residence and address of the applicant, and the register number or mark, and shall be in such form and contain such further information as the secretary shall determine. An applicant for the registration of a motor vehicle who does not file his application therefor until after the thirtieth day of September in any year shall be entitled to a reduction in the fee for such registration as provided in section 26. Upon the transfer of ownership of any motor vehicle, its registration shall expire, and the person in whose name such vehicle is registered shall return forthwith the certificate of registration to the secretary with a written notice containing the date of such transfer of ownership and the name, place of residence, and address of the new owner. A person who transfers the ownership of a registered motor vehicle owned by him to another, upon

Seals for motor cycles.

the filing of a new application, and upon the payment of the fee as provided in section 26, may have registered in his name another motor vehicle for the remainder of the calendar year, provided the horse-power of said motor vehicle is the same or less than that of the motor vehicle first registered by him; but if the horse-power of the motor vehicle is greater than that of the motor vehicle first registered by him, the applicant shall pay, in addition to the said fee, the difference between the fee paid by him for the said vehicle first registered and the fee for the registration of a motor vehicle of the higher horse-power, as provided in section 26. The secretary, at his discretion, may assign to the motor vehicle of any person who surrenders his registration certificate, as herein provided, and who desires to register another motor vehicle, the register number of the motor vehicle described in the surrendered certificate. Said secretary shall furnish at his office, without charge, to every person whose automobile is registered as aforesaid, two number plates of suitable design, each number plate to have displayed upon it the register number assigned to such vehicle, the letters N. H., and figures showing the year of the issue. The secretary shall furnish in like manner to every person whose motor cycle is registered as aforesaid a seal, circular in form, approximately two inches in diameter, bearing thereon the words Registered Motor Cycle No. ———, N. H., together with the year of the issue thereof and with the register number of the motor cycle stamped or otherwise suitably inscribed thereon. The horse-power of every motor vehicle sought to be registered shall be determined by the secretary, and such determination shall be final. In determining such horse-power the secretary may employ the rating established by the Association of Licensed Automobile Manufacturers, so far as the same may be applicable, or any other test or formula by which such horse-power may be mathematically ascertained; and if no such test or formula can be had, the secretary may use the highest rated power as given by the manufacturer, or otherwise cause the horse-power to be tested. The registration of every motor vehicle shall expire at midnight upon the thirty-first day of December of each year, unless otherwise provided.

Seals for motor
cycles of non-
residents.

SECT. 3. Section 3 of said chapter 133 as amended is hereby amended by striking out of said section 3 the words "but no such number plates shall be furnished by the secretary for motor cycles" and substituting therefor the following: The secretary shall furnish in like manner to every person whose motor cycle is registered as aforesaid a seal, circular in form, approximately two inches in diameter, bearing thereon the words Registered Motor Cycle No. ———, N. H., together with the year of issue thereof and with the register number of the motor cycle stamped or otherwise suitably inscribed thereon; so that said section 3 as amended shall read

as follows: SECT. 3. (a) A motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this state, who has complied with the laws of his state, district, or country, relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, may be operated upon the ways of this state for a period not exceeding ten days in any one calendar year without registration, except as otherwise provided in section 9. In estimating the number of days of use by a non-resident under the foregoing privilege, any fractional part of a day's use within this state shall be held to be a day. Every such vehicle so operated shall have displayed upon it the distinguishing number or mark of the state, district, or country in which the owner thereof resides, and none other, until the vehicle is registered in accordance with the provisions of this act. A motor vehicle so owned may be operated also in this state during the months of July, August, and September in any year if application for the registration thereof is made in accordance with the provisions of section 2 and the proper fee provided for in section 26 is paid, and the said vehicle is duly registered by the secretary or his authorized agent. The secretary shall furnish at his office, without charge, to every person whose automobile is registered as aforesaid, two number plates of suitable design, and triangular in shape, each number plate to have displayed upon it the register number assigned to such vehicle, the letters N. H., and figures showing the year of the issue. The secretary shall furnish in like manner to every person whose motor cycle is registered as aforesaid a seal, circular in form, approximately two inches in diameter, bearing thereon the words Registered Motor Cycle No. ———, N. H., together with the year of the issue thereof and with the register number of the motor cycle stamped or otherwise suitably inscribed thereon. Every such registration shall expire at midnight upon the thirtieth day of September in each year.

(b) A motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this state who has complied with the laws of his state relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, who has a *bona fide* actual residence in a state granting like privileges to residents of this state, which residence is located within fifteen miles by highway of the border line of this state, may be operated upon any ways of this state distant not more than fifteen miles from the border line of his state, if application for the registration thereof is made in accordance with the provisions of section 2 and the proper fee provided for in section 26 is paid and the said motor vehicle is duly registered by the secretary or his authorized agent. The secretary shall furnish at his office, without charge, to every person whose automobile is registered as aforesaid, a metal tag of suitable design, and oval in shape, to have displayed upon it the register number assigned to such motor vehicle, the letters N. H., and figures showing the year of the issue, but no such tag shall be furnished by the secretary for motor

cycles. Such tag shall at all times be conspicuously displayed on the front of such motor vehicle. Every application filed under the provisions of (a) and (b) of this section shall be sworn to by the applicant before a justice of the peace or a notary public.

Seals for motor
cycles of dealers.

SECT. 4. Section 4 of said chapter 133 is hereby amended by striking out of said section 4 the words "but no such number plate shall be furnished by the secretary for motor cycles," and substituting therefor the following: The secretary shall furnish at the price stated in section 26, to every person whose vehicles are registered as aforesaid, as many seals for motor cycles as such person shall apply for, said seals to be circular in form, approximately two inches in diameter, bearing thereon the words Registered Motor Cycle No. ———, N. H., together with the year of the issue thereof and with the register number or mark of the manufacturer or dealer stamped or suitably inscribed thereon, and each seal so furnished shall also bear a different letter or letters; so that said section 4 as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 4. Every manufacturer or dealer in motor vehicles may make application upon a blank provided by the secretary, for a general distinguishing number or mark, instead of registering each motor vehicle owned or controlled by him, and with such application shall be deposited the registration fee as herein provided, and the secretary may grant such application if satisfied of the facts stated therein, and issue to the applicant a certificate of registration, containing the name, business address of the applicant, and the distinguishing number or mark assigned to him, and made in such form and containing such further information as the secretary may determine; and all motor vehicles owned or controlled by such manufacturer or dealer shall be regarded as registered under such general distinguishing number or mark until sold, or loaned for a period of more than ten successive days.

The secretary shall furnish at his office, without charge, to every manufacturer of or dealer in motor vehicles whose vehicles are registered under the provisions of this section, six pairs of number plates of suitable design, the plates to have displayed upon them the register number which is assigned to the motor vehicles of such manufacturer or dealer, with a different letter or letters or mark on each pair of number plates. The secretary shall furnish, at the price stated in section 26, to every person whose vehicles are registered as aforesaid, as many seals for motor cycles as such person shall apply for, said seal to be circular in form, approximately two inches in diameter, bearing thereon the words Registered Motor Cycle No. ———, N. H., together with the year of the issue thereof and with the register number or mark of the manufacturer or dealer stamped or suitably inscribed thereon, and each seal so furnished shall also bear a different letter or letters.

SECT. 5. Section 6 of said chapter 133 as amended is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and substituting in place thereof the following: SECT. 6. Every motor cycle operated in or on any way shall have displayed conspicuously the seal bearing the register number furnished in accordance with the provisions of sections 2, 3 (a) and 4 of this act for such vehicle. Said seal shall be fastened securely to some part of the vehicle or to some contrivance firmly attached thereto, in the rear of the saddle.

Motor cycle to display seal.

SECT. 6. Section 7 of said chapter 133 as amended is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: It shall be the duty of any person having control or charge of a motor vehicle which is equipped with electric headlights to dim or extinguish such headlights when approaching an electric street railway car or another automobile, whenever there is a reasonable opportunity so to do without danger to himself and the occupants of his motor vehicle; so that said section 7 as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 7. Every motor vehicle, operated or driven upon the ways of this state, shall be provided with adequate brakes in good working order and sufficient to control such vehicle at all times when the said vehicle is in use, a muffler, a suitable and adequate bell, horn or other device for signaling, and suitable lamps. Every automobile operating during the period from one half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise, shall display at least two lighted lamps on the front and one on the rear of such vehicle, which shall also display a red light visible from the rear. The rays of such rear lamp shall shine upon the number plate carried on the rear of such vehicle in such manner as to render the numerals thereon visible for at least fifty feet in the direction from which the motor vehicle is proceeding. The light on the front lamps shall be visible at least two hundred feet in the direction in which the motor vehicle is proceeding. It shall be the duty of any person having control or charge of a motor vehicle which is equipped with electric headlights to dim or extinguish such headlights when approaching an electric street railway car or another automobile, whenever there is a reasonable opportunity so to do without danger to himself and the occupants of his motor vehicle.

Headlights to be dimmed, when.

SECT. 7. Section 12 of said chapter 133 as amended is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section 12 the following: The driver of any motor vehicle approaching or passing a car of a street railway which has been stopped to allow passengers to alight or embark, shall slow down such vehicle, and if it be necessary for the safety of the public, shall bring said vehicle to a full stop. Upon approaching a pedestrian who is upon a traveled part upon a highway and not upon a sidewalk, such vehicle shall be slowed down and timely signal shall be given with his bell, horn, or device for signaling; so that said section 12 as amended shall read as fol-

Management of motor vehicles near street cars, etc.

laws: SECT. 12. Every person having control or charge of an automobile or motor cycle shall, whenever upon any public street or way and approaching any vehicle drawn by a horse or horses, or approaching any horse upon which any person is riding, operate, manage, and control such automobile or motor cycle in such a manner as to exercise every reasonable precaution to prevent the frightening of such horse or horses and to insure the safety and protection of any person riding or driving the same. And if such horse or horses appear to be frightened the person in control of such automobile or motor cycle shall reduce its speed, and if requested by the raising of a hand by the rider or driver of such horse or horses shall not proceed further toward such animal, and in cases of extreme fright shall upon request reduce the motive power to a full stop. Upon approaching any intersecting way or a curve or corner in a way, every person operating a motor vehicle shall slow down and give timely signal with his bell, horn, or other device for signaling; *provided*, that in the thickly settled parts of a city or town no bell, horn, or other device for signaling shall be sounded so as to make an unreasonable noise, except in the case of fire and police department vehicles; and *provided further*, that no operator or chauffeur of any motor vehicle shall on any way permit any unreasonable amount of smoke to escape from said motor vehicle, nor shall any operator or chauffeur on any way permit said motor vehicle to make any unnecessary noise, by cutting out the muffler or otherwise. The driver of any motor vehicle on any highway, approaching a crossing of ways, shall slow down and keep to the right of the intersection of the centers of both ways when turning either to the right or to the left. The driver of any motor vehicle approaching or passing a car of a street railway which has been stopped to allow passengers to alight or embark, shall slow down such vehicle, and if it be necessary for the safety of the public, shall bring said vehicle to a full stop. Upon approaching a pedestrian who is upon a traveled part upon a highway and not upon a sidewalk, such vehicle shall be slowed down and timely signal shall be given with his bell, horn, or device for signaling.

Fees for registrations, licenses, etc.

SECT. 8. Section 26 of said chapter 133 as amended is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section 26 and substituting therefor the following: SECT. 26. The secretary or his authorized agents shall collect fees as follows:

For the registration of every motor cycle, \$2. For the substitution of the registration of a motor cycle for that of a motor cycle previously registered in accordance with the provisions of section 2 of this act, \$1.

For the registration of every automobile not exceeding fifteen horse-power, \$10.

For the registration of every automobile exceeding fifteen horse-power and not exceeding thirty horse-power, \$15.

For the registration of every automobile exceeding thirty horse-power and not exceeding forty horse-power, \$20.

For the registration of every automobile exceeding forty horse-power and not exceeding fifty horse-power, \$25.

For the registration of every automobile exceeding fifty horse-power and not exceeding sixty horse-power, \$30.

For the registration of every automobile exceeding sixty horse-power, \$40.

For the substitution of the registration of an automobile for that of an automobile previously registered in accordance with the provisions of section 2 of this act, \$2.

For the registration of a tractor or log hauler, \$10.

For the registration of every motor vehicle owned by a non-resident who applies for registration under the provisions of section 3 (a) of this act, and for the registration of every automobile during the period beginning with the first day of October and ending on the thirty-first day of December, in any year, in accordance with the provisions of section 2 of this act, one half of the foregoing fees.

For the registration of every motor vehicle owned by a non-resident who applies for registration under the provisions of section 3 (b) of this act, \$2.

For the registration of motor vehicles owned by or under the control of a manufacturer of or dealer in motor vehicles, \$25; *provided, however*, that every dealer shall separately register each motor vehicle which he lets for hire.

For the registration of all the motor cycles owned by or under the control of a manufacturer of or dealer in motor cycles who does not manufacture or deal in automobiles, including three seals to be furnished with the certificate of registration, \$5.

For every additional seal furnished to replace such seals as have been lost or mutilated, or which are illegible, and for every seal furnished to a manufacturer of or dealer in automobiles for use on motor cycles owned by or under the control of such persons, fifty cents.

For every additional number plate furnished to replace such as have been lost or mutilated or which are illegible, and for every additional number plate furnished to a manufacturer of or dealer in motor vehicles whose business requires more than six pairs of such plates, \$1.

For each operator's original license and examination, \$3; for each chauffeur's original license, examination and badge, \$5; for all subsequent operators' and chauffeurs' licenses, \$1.

For every additional copy of a certificate of registration or license, fifty cents.

For the operation of all cars bearing the neutral zone registration, the operator's or chauffeur's license issued by the state of residence shall be deemed sufficient. The fee for a neutral zone registration shall be \$2.

For the operation of all motor vehicles registered for the months of July, August, and September as non-resident motor vehicles, special non-resident certificates shall be issued, good only during the period of three months as above stated, and no buttons shall be issued to chauffeurs. For original special non-resident certificate and examination the fee shall be \$2, and for all subsequent certificates and all certificates issued to drivers who had previously been examined in the state of their residence, \$1. *Provided, however,* that said secretary or his authorized agents may furnish without charge copies of certificates of registration and licenses to operate and copies of other documents relating thereto to officers of the state, or of any court thereof, or of a city or town therein, and said secretary may issue certificates of registration for motor vehicles and licenses to operate the same to any member of the foreign diplomatic corps without payment of the fees therefor. Motor vehicles owned and operated by the state, or by any county, city, or town, shall be exempt from registration fees, but shall be registered as any other motor vehicles are registered.

No fees for certain motor vehicles.

SECT. 9. Said chapter 133 as amended is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following: SECT. 29. The secretary of state may issue certificates of registration for motor vehicles and licenses to operate the same to the president of the United States and members of his executive staff without the payment of fees therefor.

Takes effect, when.

SECT. 10. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9 of this act shall take effect on May 1, 1915, and section 6 shall take effect January 1, 1916.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 130.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1916.

SECTION

1. Appropriations for sundry purposes.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the state, for the purposes specified, for the fiscal year ending on the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, to wit:

For the executive department, \$39,300, as follows: For salary Executive. of governor, \$3,000; for salary of governor's secretary, \$800; for council, per diem and expenses, \$5,000; for governor's contingent fund, \$1,500; for transportation, \$600; for incidentals, \$150; for printing blanks, \$250; for emergency fund to protect interests of the state, \$25,000; for provincial records, as per authority chapter 123, Laws of 1881, \$3,000.

For secretary of state department, \$19,100, as follows: For Secretary of state. salary of secretary, \$4,000; for salary of deputy secretary, \$1,500; for clerical expense, \$1,500; for incidentals, \$400; for printing blanks, \$250; for printing report, \$500; for express, \$650; for postage, \$250; for indexing province records, \$900; for Australian ballot, \$100; for direct primary, \$2,000; for purchase of New Hampshire Law Reports, \$1,050; for copying ancient records, \$6,000.

For treasury department, \$9,600, as follows: For salary of State treasury. treasurer, \$2,500; for salary of deputy, \$1,500; for clerical expenses, \$3,600; for compiling statistics, \$200; for incidentals, \$800; for printing blanks, \$400; for printing report, \$600.

For insurance department, \$7,900, as follows: For salary of Insurance commis-
sioner. commissioner, \$2,000; for clerical expenses, \$2,600; for incidentals, \$1,000; for printing blanks, \$700; for printing report, \$1,600.

For bank commission, \$12,000, as follows: For salaries of Bank commission. commissioners, \$8,000; for clerical expenses, \$1,000; for expenses of commissioners, \$1,200; for incidentals, \$600; for printing report and blanks, \$1,200.

For public service commission, \$31,700, as follows: For salaries Public service
commission. of commissioners, \$10,700; for experts, clerks, and assistants, \$15,000; for expenses of commissioners, \$1,000; for incidentals and printing, \$5,000.

- Tax commission.** For tax commission, \$14,000, as follows: For salaries of commissioners, \$8,000; for clerical expense, \$1,000; for expenses of commissioners, \$1,000; for incidentals and printing, \$3,000; for printing report, \$500; for expense of gathering county and town financial statistics, \$500.
- Public printing commission.** For public printing commission, \$2,350, as follows: For clerk, \$200; for incidentals, \$100; for printing blanks, \$50; for purchase of paper stock, \$2,000.
- Indexing.** For department of indexing: For salaries, \$1,000.
- Control of state institutions.** For board of management and control of state institutions, \$15,500, as follows: For salary of purchasing agent, \$3,000; for salary of business manager, \$4,000; for clerical expenses and expenses of trustees and manager, \$3,500; for acquiring lands under the provisions of the act creating the board, \$5,000.
- State house.** For state house department, \$15,300, as follows: For salaries and pay-roll, \$6,500; for fuel, \$2,500; for light and power, \$2,500; for water, \$300; for miscellaneous repairs, furniture and incidentals, \$2,000; for telephone and operator, \$1,500.
- Legislature.** For legislature: For expenses, \$500.
- Supreme court.** For supreme court, \$26,830, as follows: For salaries of justices, \$22,500; for salary of clerk, \$500; for salary of messenger, \$200; for salary of state reporter, \$1,800; for justices' expenses, \$700; for transportation, \$100; for examination of students, \$400; for incidentals, \$600; for transportation of state reporter, \$30.
- Superior court.** For superior court, \$26,300, as follows: For salaries of justices, \$22,500; for justices' expenses, \$3,000; for incidentals, \$300; for transportation, \$500.
- Attorney-general.** For attorney-general's department, \$13,000, as follows: For salary of attorney-general, \$3,000; for salary of assistant attorney-general, \$3,000; for clerical expenses, \$2,400; for incidentals, \$1,000; for copies of wills and records, \$1,300; for supplies, \$400; for printing, \$200; for traveling expenses, \$1,200; for enforcement of liquor laws, \$500.
- Probate courts.** For probate court department, \$9,900, for salaries of judges, as follows: Rockingham county, \$1,200; Strafford county, \$800; Belknap county, \$600; Carroll county, \$700; Merrimack county, \$1,200; Hillsborough county, \$2,000; Cheshire county, \$900; Sullivan county, \$600; Grafton county, \$1,000; Coos county, \$900.
- Registers of probate and deputies.** For salaries of registers of probate and deputies, \$11,200, as follows: Rockingham county, register, \$1,200; Rockingham county, deputy, \$600; Strafford county, register, \$1,000; Belknap county, register, \$600; Carroll county, register, \$600; Merrimack county, register, \$1,200; Merrimack county, deputy, \$600; Hillsborough county, register, \$1,500; Hillsborough county, deputy, \$800; Cheshire County, register, \$600; Sullivan county, register,

\$600; Grafton county, register, \$1,000; Coos county, register, \$900.

For public instruction department, \$22,350, as follows: For **Public instruction.** salary of superintendent, \$4,000; for salaries of deputies, \$6,500; for traveling expenses of deputies, \$1,400; for clerical expenses, \$2,000; for truant officer, attendance, \$1,000; for incidentals, \$1,500; for printing blanks, \$1,000; for child-labor act, salaries, \$2,400; for child-labor act, travel and printing, \$1,400; for courses of study, \$550; for ten thousand Registers, \$600.

For schools: For support and encouragement, \$105,100. **Schools.**

For Plymouth normal school, \$26,500, as follows: For salaries, **Plymouth normal school.** maintenance and operation, printing report, incidentals, and trustees' expenses, \$26,500.

For Keene normal school, \$25,140, as follows: For salaries, **Keene normal school.** maintenance and operation, printing report, incidentals, and trustees' expenses, \$25,140.

For New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, **State college.** \$7,000, as follows: For free tuition to New Hampshire students, \$3,000; for poultry breeding, \$4,000.

For deaf, dumb and blind, \$20,150, as follows: For support **Deaf, dumb, and blind.** and education, \$20,000; for Granite State Deaf Mute Mission, \$150.

For state library, \$17,805, as follows: For salaries, \$5,805; **State library.** for maintenance and operation, \$5,600; for books, periodicals, and binding, \$6,000; for expenses of trustees, \$150; for Bulletin, public libraries, \$250.

For state board of charities and correction, \$23,800, as follows: **Board of charities and correction.** For salary of secretary, \$1,800; for clerical expenses, \$800; for incidentals, \$400; for traveling expenses, \$700; for printing blanks, \$100; for tubercular patients, \$20,000.

For register of the blind, \$5,000. **Register of blind.**

For lunacy commission, \$800, as follows: For clerical ex- **Lunacy commis- sion.** penses, \$500; for incidentals, \$200; for printing blanks, \$100.

For state hospital: For maintenance, \$225,000. **State hospital.**

For industrial school, \$45,000, as follows: For salaries, \$17, **Industrial school.** 000; for clerical expenses, \$1,000; for maintenance, \$27,000.

For state prison, \$48,700, as follows: For salary of warden, **State prison.** \$2,000; for salary of chaplain, \$1,000; for salary of physician, \$500; for salary of parole officer, \$200; for expenses of parole officer, \$200; for library, \$800; for special repairs, \$2,000; for running expenses, \$42,000.

For soldiers' home. For maintenance, \$15,000. **Soldiers' home.**

For school for feeble-minded children: For maintenance, \$55, **School for feeble-minded.** 000.

For state sanatorium: For maintenance, \$32,000. **State sanatorium.**

For Prisoners' Aid Association, \$100. **Prisoners' Aid Association.**

- Bureau of labor.** For bureau of labor, \$5,000, as follows: For salary of commissioner, \$1,600; for salary of clerks and assistants, \$1,000; for expenses of arbitration, \$500; for incidentals and traveling, \$1,000; for printing blanks, \$400; for printing report, \$500.
- Department of agriculture.** For department of agriculture, \$19,500, as follows: For salary of commissioner, \$2,500; for salary of deputy, \$1,500; for clerical expenses, \$1,300; for advisory board, per diem and expenses, \$300; for incidentals, \$300; for printing report, \$500; for institutes and public meetings, \$2,000; for feeding stuffs inspection, \$3,000; for fertilizer inspection, \$2,500; for nursery inspection, \$500; for seed inspection, \$500; for resources of state publications, \$2,100; for licensing milk dealers, \$500; for Granite State Dairymen's Association, \$1,000; for New Hampshire Horticultural Society, \$1,000.
- Cattle commission.** For cattle commission, \$18,800, as follows: For incidentals, \$500; for animals destroyed, \$8,000; for inspection, disinfection, and appraisal, \$3,500; for possible expenses of epidemic, \$6,800.
- Board of health.** For state board of health, \$11,250, as follows: For salary of secretary, \$2,500; for salary of clerk, \$500; for incidentals, \$450; for printing blanks, \$300; for epidemic fund, \$5,000; for sanitary inspection, \$2,500.
- Laboratory of hygiene.** For laboratory of hygiene, \$6,800, as follows: For salaries of two chemists, \$3,200; for salaries of two bacteriologists, \$2,000; for incidentals, \$1,200; for printing blanks and bulletin, \$400.
- Vital statistics.** For vital statistics, \$1,600, as follows: For clerical expenses and incidentals, \$1,600.
- Pharmacy commission.** For pharmacy commission, \$1,300, as follows: For compensation, \$375; for incidentals and running expenses, \$500; for printing blanks, \$50; for printing report, \$50; for enforcement of law, \$325.
- Dentistry board.** For registration of dentistry, \$500.
- Optometry board.** For optometry board, \$275, as follows: For compensation and expenses, \$150; for printing, \$100; for postage, \$25.
- Medical referees.** For medical referees: For printing, \$50.
- Adjutant-general.** For adjutant-general's department, \$67,325, as follows: For salary of adjutant-general, \$1,500; for clerical expenses, \$1,000; for incidentals, \$900; for printing blanks, \$500; for officers' uniforms, \$2,500; for rifle ranges, \$3,000; for state armories, Concord, Manchester, and Nashua, \$7,000; for National Guard (so much of this as may be necessary to pay expenses of the annual encampment available June 1 of each year), \$50,925.
- Military organizations.** For military organizations, \$300, as follows: For Amoskeag Veterans, \$100; for Manchester War Veterans, \$100; for Lafayette Artillery Company, \$100.
- Bounties on hedgehogs.** For bounties on hedgehogs, \$5,500.
- Bounties on bears and grasshoppers.** For bounties on bears and grasshoppers, \$1,000.

For lights and buoys, \$2,015, as follows: For Winnepesaukee lake, \$1,100; for Winnepesaukee lake, opposite Melvin Village, \$100; for Sunapee lake, \$400; for Squam lake, \$300; for Winnisquam lake, \$65; for Endicott rock, \$50.

For firemen's relief fund, \$2,000.

Lights and buoys.
Firemen's relief fund.

For fish and game commission, \$24,550, as follows: Salary of commissioner, \$1,800; for clerical expenses, \$900; for general expenses, \$10,000; for personal expenses, \$1,000; for detectives, \$10,000; for incidentals, \$200; for transportation, \$250; for printing, \$400.

Fish and game commission.

For forest protection, \$36,300, as follows: For salary of forester, \$2,500; for clerical expenses, \$1,800; for field assistance, \$1,800; for traveling expenses, \$1,000; for district chiefs' salaries and expenses, \$3,900; for incidentals and commissioners' expenses, \$1,500; for care and acquisition of state lands, \$5,000; for printing blanks, \$800; for fire bills to towns, \$7,500; for nursery, \$1,000; for lookout stations, establishment and maintenance, \$6,000; for fire wardens' conferences, \$1,000; for prevention of fires, \$2,500.

Forest protection.

For moth suppression, \$12,500.

Moth suppression.

For highway department, \$350,000, as follows: For permanent improvement, \$125,000; for maintenance, automobile fees estimated at \$225,000, balance of previous year to be brought forward.

State highways.

For interest charges and maturing bonds (amount \$141,775.82, less reserve fund \$15,000) \$126,775.82, as follows: For Fiske legacy, \$1,055.14; for Kimball legacy, \$270.14; for agricultural college fund, \$4,800; for Hamilton Smith fund, \$400; for teachers' institute fund, \$2,388.27; for Benjamin Thompson fund, \$31,887.27; for temporary loans, \$2,500; for hospital loan, issue of 1905, \$3,500; for hospital loan, issue of 1907, \$5,250; for hospital loan, issue of 1909, \$2,975; for hospital loan, issue of 1905, principal, \$10,000; for sanatorium loan, \$1,750; for highway loan, issued January 1, 1910, 3½ per cent., \$25,000; for highway loan, issued January 1, 1910, 3 per cent., \$50,000.

Interest charges and maturing bonds.

For G. A. R. department, \$2,150, as follows: For printing, \$300; for burial of soldiers, \$1,800; for incidentals, \$50.

G. A. R.

For New Hampshire Historical Society, \$500.

Historical Society.

For Old Home Week observance, \$300.

Old Home week.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 131.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1917.

SECTION

1. Appropriations for sundry purposes.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on pasage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the state, for the purposes specified for the fiscal year ending on the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to wit:

Executive.

For the executive department, \$39,300, as follows: For salary of governor, \$3,000; for salary of governor's secretary, \$800; for council, per diem and expenses, \$5,000; for governor's contingent fund, \$1,500; for transportation, \$600; for incidentals, \$150; for printing blanks, \$250; for emergency fund to protect interests of the state, \$25,000; for provincial records, as per authority chapter 123, Laws of 1881, \$3,000.

Secretary of state.

For secretary of state department, \$23,000, as follows: For salary of secretary, \$4,000; for salary of deputy, \$1,500; for clerical expenses, \$1,500; for incidentals, \$400; for printing blanks, \$250; for printing report, \$500; for express, \$650; for postage, \$250; for indexing province records, \$900; for Australian ballot, \$4,000; for direct primary, \$2,000; for purchase of New Hampshire Law Reports, \$1,050; for copying ancient records, \$6,000.

State treasury.

For treasury department, \$10,100, as follows: For salary of treasurer, \$2,500; for salary of deputy, \$1,500; for clerical expenses, \$3,600; for compiling statistics, \$200; for incidentals, \$800; for printing blanks, \$400; for printing report, \$600; for treasurer's and deputy's bonds, \$500.

Insurance commissioner.

For insurance department, \$7,900, as follows: For salary of commissioner, \$2,000; for clerical expenses, \$2,600; for incidentals, \$1,000; for printing blanks, \$700; for printing report, \$1,600.

Bank commission.

For bank commission, \$12,000, as follows: For salary of commissioners, \$8,000; for clerical expenses, \$1,000; for expenses of commissioners, \$1,200; for incidentals, \$600; for printing report and blanks, \$1,200.

Public service commission.

For public service commission, \$31,700, as follows: For salaries of commissioners, \$10,700; for experts, clerks, and assistants, \$15,000; for expenses of commissioners, \$1,000; for incidentals and printing, \$5,000.

For tax commission, \$14,000, as follows: For salaries of com- Tax commission.
missioners, \$8,000; for clerical expense, \$1,000; for expenses of
commissioners, \$1,000; for incidentals and printing, \$3,000; for
printing report, \$500; for expense of gathering county and town
financial statistics, \$500.

For public printing commission, \$2,350, as follows: For clerk, Public printing
commission.
\$200, for incidentals, \$100; for printing blanks, \$50; for purchase
of paper stock, \$2,000.

For department of indexing: For salaries, \$1,000. Indexing.

For board of management and control of state institutions, Control of state
institutions.
\$15,500, as follows: For salary of purchasing agent, \$3,000;
for salary of business manager, \$4,000; for clerical expenses and
expenses of trustees and manager, \$3,500; for acquiring lands
under the provisions of the act creating the board, \$5,000.

For state house department, \$15,800, as follows: For salaries State house.
and pay-roll, \$6,500; for fuel, \$2,500; for light and power, \$2,
500; for water, \$300; for miscellaneous repairs, furniture, and
incidentals, \$2,500; for telephone, switchboard, and operator, \$1,
500.

For legislature: For expenses, \$140,000. Legislature.

For supreme court, \$26,830, as follows: For salaries of jus- Supreme court.
tices, \$22,500; for salary of clerk, \$500; for salary of messenger,
\$200; for salary of state reporter, \$1,800; for justices' expenses,
\$700; for transportation, \$100; for examination of students, \$400;
for incidentals, \$600; for transportation of state reporter, \$30.

For superior court, \$26,300, as follows: For salaries of jus- Superior court.
tices, \$22,500; for justices' expenses, \$3,000; for incidentals, \$300;
for transportation, \$500.

For attorney-general's department, \$13,500, as follows: For sal- Attorney-general.
ary of attorney-general, \$3,000; for salary of assistant attorney-
general, \$3,000; for clerical expenses, \$2,400; for incidentals,
\$1,000; for copies of wills and records, \$1,300; for supplies, \$400;
for printing, \$200; for traveling expenses, \$1,200; for enforcement
of liquor laws, \$500; for printing report, \$200.

For probate court department, \$9,900; for salaries of judges, as Probate courts.
follows: Rockingham county, \$1,200; Strafford county, \$800; Bel-
knap county, \$600; Carroll county, \$700; Merrimack county,
\$1,200; Hillsborough county, \$2,000; Cheshire county, \$900; Sul-
livan county, \$600; Grafton county, \$1,000; Coos county, \$900.

For salaries of registers of probate and deputies, \$11,200, as fol- Registers of pro-
bate and deputies.
lows: For Rockingham county, register, \$1,200; Rockingham
county, deputy, \$600; Strafford county, register, \$1,000; Belknap
county, register, \$600; Carroll county, register, \$600; Merrimack
county, register, \$1,200; Merrimack county, deputy, \$600; Hills-
borough county, register, \$1,500; Hillsborough county, deputy,

- \$800; Cheshire county, register, \$600; Sullivan county, register, \$600; Grafton county, register, \$1,000; Coos county, register, \$900.
- Public instruction.** For public instruction department, \$22,600, as follows: For salary of superintendent, \$4,000; for salaries of deputies, \$6,500; for traveling expenses of deputies, \$1,400; for clerical expenses, \$2,000; for truant officer, attendance, \$1,000; for incidentals, \$1,500; for printing blanks, \$1,000; for printing report, \$1,400; for child-labor act, salaries, \$2,400; for child-labor act, travel and printing, \$1,400.
- Schools.** For schools: For support and encouragement, \$125,100.
- Plymouth normal school.** For Plymouth normal school: For salaries, maintenance and operation, printing report, incidentals, and trustees' expenses, \$26,500.
- Keene normal school.** For Keene normal school: For salaries, maintenance and operation, printing report, incidentals, and trustees' expenses, \$25,140.
- State college.** For New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, \$7,000, as follows: For free tuition to New Hampshire students, \$3,000; for poultry breeding, \$4,000.
- Deaf, dumb, and blind.** For deaf, dumb, and blind, \$20,150, as follows: For support and education, \$20,000; for Granite State Deaf Mute Mission, \$150.
- State library.** For state library, \$18,030, as follows: For salaries, \$6,030; for maintenance and operation, \$5,600; for books, periodicals, and binding, \$6,000; for expenses of trustees, \$150; for Bulletin, public libraries, \$250.
- Board of charities and correction.** For state board of charities and correction, \$24,250, as follows: For salary of secretary, \$1,800; for clerical expenses, \$800; for incidentals, \$400; for traveling expenses, \$700; for printing blanks, \$100; for printing report, \$450; for tubercular patients, \$20,000.
- Register of blind.** For register of the blind \$5,000.
- Lunacy commission.** For lunacy commission, \$1,150, as follows: For clerical expenses, \$500; for incidentals, \$200; for printing blanks, \$100; for printing report, \$350.
- State hospital.** For state hospital: For maintenance, \$225,000.
- Industrial school.** For industrial school, \$45,000, as follows: For salaries, \$17,000; for clerical expenses, \$1,000; for maintenance, \$27,000.
- State prison.** For state prison, \$48,210, as follows: For salary of warden, \$2,000; for salary of chaplain, \$1,000; for salary of physician, \$500; for salary of parole officer, \$200; for expenses of parole officer, \$200; for library, \$200; for special repairs, \$2,000; for running expenses, \$42,000; for printing report, \$110.
- Soldiers' home.** For soldiers' home: For maintenance, \$15,000.
- School for feeble-minded.** For school for feeble-minded children: For maintenance, \$55,000.
- State sanatorium.** For state sanatorium: For maintenance, \$32,000.
- Prisoners' Aid Association.** For Prisoners' Aid Association, \$100.
- Bureau of labor.** For bureau of labor, \$6,000, as follows: For salary of commissioner, \$1,600; for salary of clerks and assistants, \$1,000; for ex-

penses of arbitration, \$1,500; for incidentals and traveling \$1,000; for printing blanks, \$400; for printing report, \$500.

For department of agriculture, \$19,500, as follows: For salary of commissioner, \$2,500; for salary of deputy, \$1,500; for clerical expenses, \$1,300; for advisory board, per diem and expenses, \$300; for incidentals, \$300; for printing report, \$500; for institutes and public meetings, \$2,000; for feeding-stuffs inspection, \$3,000; for fertilizer inspection, \$2,500; for nursery inspection, \$500; for seed inspection, \$500; for resources of state publications, \$2,100; for licensing milk dealers, \$500; for Granite State Dairymen's Association, \$1,000; for New Hampshire Horticultural Society, \$1,000.

Department of
agriculture.

For cattle commission, \$18,800, as follows: For incidentals, \$500; for animals destroyed, \$8,000; for inspection, disinfection and appraisal, \$3,500; for possible expenses of epidemic, \$6,800.

Cattle commission.

For state board of health, \$12,100, as follows: For salary of secretary, \$2,500; for salary of clerk, \$500; for incidentals, \$450; for printing blanks, \$300; for printing report, \$850; for epidemic fund, \$5,000; for sanitary inspection, \$2,500.

Board of health.

For laboratory of hygiene, \$6,800, as follows: for salaries of two chemists, \$3,200; for salaries of two bacteriologists, \$2,000; for incidentals, \$1,200; for printing blanks and sanitary bulletins, \$400.

Laboratory of
hygiene.

For vital statistics, \$2,800, as follows: For clerical expenses and incidentals, \$1,600; for printing report, \$1,200.

Vital statistics.

For pharmacy commission, \$1,500, as follows: For compensation, \$375; for incidentals and running expenses, \$700; for printing blanks, \$50; for printing report, \$50; for enforcement of law, \$325.

Pharmacy com-
mission.

For registration of dentistry, \$500.

Dentistry board.

For optometry board, \$275, as follows: For compensation and expenses, \$150; for printing, \$100; for postage, \$25.

Optometry board

For medical referees: For printing, \$50.

Medical referees.

For adjutant-general's department, \$67,725, as follows: For salary of adjutant-general, \$1,500; for clerical expenses, \$1,000; for incidentals, \$900; for printing blanks, \$600; for printing report, \$300; for rifle ranges, \$3,000; for officers' uniforms, \$2,500; for state armories, Concord, Manchester, and Nashua, \$7,000; for National Guard (so much of this as may be necessary to pay expenses of the annual encampment available June 1 of each year), \$50,925.

Adjutant-general.

For military organizations, \$300, as follows: For Amoskeag Veterans, \$100; for Manchester War Veterans, \$100; for Lafayette Artillery Company, \$100.

Military organiza-
tions.

For bounties on hedgehogs, \$5,500.

Bounties on hedge-
hogs.

For bounties on bears and grasshoppers, \$1,000.

Bounties on bears
and grasshoppers.

- Lights and buoys. For lights and buoys, \$2,015, as follows: For Winnepesaukee lake, \$1,100; for Winnepesaukee lake, opposite Melvin Village, \$100; for Sunapee lake, \$400; for Squam lake, \$300; for Winnisquam lake, \$65; for Endicott rock, \$50.
- Firemen's relief fund. For firemen's relief fund, \$2,000.
- Fish and game commission. For fish and game commission, \$24,650, as follows: For salary of commissioner, \$1,800; for clerical expenses, \$900; for general expenses, \$10,000; for personal expenses, \$1,000; for detectives, \$10,000; for incidentals, \$200; for transportation, \$250; for printing, \$500.
- Forest protection. For forest protection, \$37,300, as follows: For salary of forester, \$2,500; for clerical expenses, \$1,800; for field assistance, \$1,800; for traveling expenses, \$1,000; for district chiefs' salaries and expenses, \$3,900; for incidentals and commissioners' expenses, \$1,500; for care and acquisition of state lands, \$5,000; for printing blanks, \$800; for printing report, \$500; for fire bills to towns, \$7,500; for nursery, \$1,000; for lookout stations, establishment and maintenance, \$6,500; for fire wardens' conferences, \$1,000; for prevention of fires, \$2,500.
- Moth suppression. For moth suppression, \$12,500.
- State highways. For highway department, \$375,000, as follows: For permanent improvement, \$125,000; for maintenance, automobile fees, estimated at \$250,000; balance of previous year to be brought forward.
- Interest charges and maturing bonds. For interest charges and maturing bonds, \$141,425.82, as follows: For Fiske legacy, \$1,055.14; for Kimball legacy, \$270.14; for agricultural college fund, \$4,800; for Hamilton Smith fund, \$400; for teachers' institute fund, \$2,388.27; for Benjamin Thompson fund, \$31,887.27; for temporary loans, \$2,500; for hospital loan, issue of 1905, \$3,150; for hospital loan, issue of 1907, \$5,250; for hospital loan, issue of 1909, \$2,975; for hospital loan, issue 1905, principal, \$10,000; for sanatorium loan, \$1,750; highway loan, issued January 1, 1910, 3½ per cent., \$25,000; for highway loan, issued July 1, 1911, \$50,000.
- G. A. R. For G. A. R. Department, \$2,150, as follows: For printing, \$300; for burial of soldiers, \$1,800; for incidentals, \$50.
- Historical Society. For New Hampshire Historical Society, \$500.
- Old Home week. For Old Home Week observance, \$300.
- Takes effect on passage. **SECT. 2.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 132.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE AID FOR DEPENDENT MOTHERS.

SECTION

1. Appropriation to be recommended.
2. Amounts to be allowed.
3. Petition for aid; procedure thereon.
4. Investigation by public instruction department.
5. Who entitled to aid.

SECTION

6. Limitation of allowance.
7. Aid denied in certain cases.
8. Expenses, how paid.
9. Annual appropriation of \$8,000.
10. Repealing clause; act takes effect September 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the superintendent of public instruction to recommend a special appropriation at each session of the legislature of an amount sufficient to meet the purposes of this act for the partial support of mothers.

Appropriation to be recommended.

SECT. 2. The allowance to each of such mothers shall not exceed ten dollars a month when she has but one child under the age of sixteen years; and if she has more than one child under the age of sixteen years, it shall not exceed the sum of ten dollars a month for the first child and five dollars a month for each of the other children under the age of sixteen years.

Amounts to be allowed.

SECT. 3. A petition in writing, signed by the mother and verified by affidavit, asking for an allowance under the provisions of this act and setting forth in detail the facts of the case, shall be filed with the school board of the town wherein such mother is a resident, and it shall be the duty of the school board to make immediate investigation of the facts. The school board shall then make an official written recommendation of the amount of support that such mother should receive and shall file the same, together with a copy of such mother's petition, with the department of public instruction.

Petition and procedure.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the department of public instruction to make a further personal investigation of the case, when the facts set forth in the original petition of such mother and recommendation of the school board warrant any action being taken, and increase or decrease the amount of the allowance recommended in the report of the school board on such case in their discretion, and such investigation shall be made by them within fourteen days of the date of the filing of the recommendation of the school board. The department of public instruction may increase or decrease the amount of such allowance at any time thereafter, to meet the varied needs of such mother, but no change in the amount of such allowance shall be made without an official recommendation in writing from the school board of the town wherein such mother is a resi-

Investigation by public instruction department.

dent, or a personal investigation by the department of public instruction at a period of not more than thirty days prior to such change in the amount of such allowance.

Who entitled to aid.

SECT. 5. No aid shall be rendered to dependent mothers under the preceding sections of this act except under the following conditions: (1) The child or children for whose benefit the allowance is made must be living with the mother of such child or children; (2) the allowance shall be made only when, in the absence of such allowance, the mother would be required to work regularly away from home and children, and when by means of such allowance she will be able to remain at home with her children; (3) the mother must, in the judgment of the school board of the town or the department of public instruction, be a proper person, morally, physically, and mentally, for the bringing up of her children; (4) no person shall receive the benefit of this act who shall not have been a resident of the state for at least two years next before the making of such application for an allowance under this act.

Limitation of allowance.

SECT. 6. Whenever any child shall reach the age of sixteen years, an allowance made to the mother of such child for his benefit shall cease.

Certain persons not entitled.

SECT. 7. The provisions of this law shall not apply to any woman who is not dependent on her own efforts for the support of herself and family and at the time of receiving such aid is not of good repute and making an earnest effort for self-support.

Expenses, how paid.

SECT. 8. All expenses incurred by school boards under the provisions of this act shall be paid out of the school money of the town or city where such case arises.

Annual appropriation of \$8,000.

SECT. 9. The sum of eight thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to cover the provisions of this act for the year ending August 31, 1916, and a like amount for the year ending August 31, 1917.

Repealing clause; act takes effect September 1, 1915.

SECT. 10. Chapter 123, Laws of 1913, is hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect September 1, 1915.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 133.

AN ACT TO REVISE AND AMEND THE FISH AND GAME LAWS.

PART I.—DEFINITIONS; RESTRICTIONS; REGULATIONS.

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1. Meaning of terms used.
2. Taking, possession, sale, and transportation restricted.
3. Manner of taking game and fish.
4. Transportation of game and fish.
5. Transportation, special provisions.
6. Sale of certain birds prohibited.
7. Presumptive evidence of illegal taking.
8. Damage by deer, payment for.
9. Deer damaging crops, killing regulated.
10. Close season by proclamation.
11. Injury to fences and crops prohibited.
12. Penalties for violations.

PART II.—QUADRUPEDS.

13. Moose, caribou, and elk.
14. Deer, taking, sale, and transportation of.
15. Hares and rabbits, taking and sale of.
16. Gray squirrels, taking of.
17. Fur-bearing animals, taking and sale of; bounty on wildcats.
18. Penalties for violations.

PART III.—BIRDS.

19. Quail, open season and limit.
20. Ruffed grouse, woodcock, and pheasant, open season and limit.
21. Plover, snipe, and shore birds.
22. Ducks and geese, open season and limit; manner of taking.
23. No open season on certain birds.
24. Certain wild birds protected.
25. Destroying or robbing nests prohibited.
26. Snares or traps prohibited.
27. Penalties for violations.

PART IV.—FISH.

28. Brook trout, salmon, lake trout, and aureolus, open season and limit; certain fishing prohibited.
29. Black bass, open season and limit.
30. Muscallonge, open season and sale of.
31. Pike perch and white perch, open season and sale of.

SECTION

32. Pickerel, open season and limit; sale of.
33. Shad and whitefish, open season and sale of.
34. Fresh-water smelt, manner of taking and limit.
35. Placing certain fish in waters prohibited.
36. Poisons and explosives prohibited.
37. Racks, weirs, etc., prohibited.
38. Nets allowed in certain cases.
39. Drawing off water prohibited.
40. Certain devices unlawful; ice-fishing regulated.
41. Trout fishing as business prohibited.
42. Fraudulent use of fry, etc.
43. Private waters excepted.
44. Use of fish for fertilizer prohibited.
45. Private waters protected.
46. Penalties for violations.

PART V.—SALT-WATER FISH; CRUSTACEANS; MOLLUSKS.

47. Salt-water smelt protected; use of seines restricted.
48. Cod, taking regulated.
49. Lobsters, size limit.
50. Lobster pots, interference prohibited.
51. Oysters, taking regulated.
52. Conch or wrinkles.
53. Penalties for violations.

PART VI.—LICENSES.

54. Hunters' licenses required; exceptions.
55. Licenses, how issued; fees, amount and disposition of.
56. Limitation of licenses.
57. Transportation of deer and game birds on non-resident license.
58. Transportation of deer on resident license.
59. Carrying and exhibiting license.
60. Penalties for violations.

PART VII.—FISH AND GAME FUND; EXPENDITURE THEREOF AUTHORIZED.

61. Fish and game fund, how created.
62. Expenditure of fund regulated.

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63. Powers and duties of commission.	69. Powers and duties of wardens.
64. Disposal of fish and game seized.	70. Records and reports of wardens.
65. Right to take fish.	71. Compensation of wardens.
66. Power to sell fry and fish.	72. Repealing clause.
67. Observance of rules.	73. Takes effect, when.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Part I.—Definitions; Restrictions; Regulations.

Meaning of terms used.

SECTION 1. Words used in this act shall be construed as follows:

Closed season: That period of time during which hunting or fishing is prohibited.

Open season: That period of time during which hunting or fishing is permitted.

Inclusion and exclusion of dates: Whenever a period is named during which an act is permitted or prohibited, the first date shall be included within and the last date excluded from such period.

Angling: The taking of fish by two lines to which is attached a cast of artificial flies, or an artificial bait, or two hooks for bait; or if from a boat, line or rod in hand, or rod in rod-holder. In addition to two such lines, a person may have in use one hand-line for the purposes of taking bait in waters inhabited by smelt.

Pickereel: Includes the great northern pike, pond pickereel, grass pickereel, chain pickereel or banded pickereel.

Pike perch: Includes wall-eyed pike or yellow pike.

Black bass: Includes Oswego or large-mouthed bass and small-mouthed bass.

Person: Includes firm, corporation, association, and also principal, agent or employee.

Game: Includes game quadrupeds and game birds.

Game quadrupeds: Means moose, caribou, elk, deer, hare or rabbit, gray squirrel.

Game birds: Means quail, ruffed grouse or partridge, woodcock, pheasant, European partridge, plover of all kinds, Wilson snipe, other shore birds, rail, coot, gallinule, ducks, geese.

Non-game birds: Means all wild birds not included under the term "game birds."

Quadrupeds: Means game quadrupeds and fur-bearing animals.

Fur-bearing animals: Means beaver, otter, martin, sable, mink, raccoon, fisher or fisher-cat, fox, skunk, muskrat.

Whole to include part: Every provision relating to a fish, bird, or quadruped shall apply to a part of such fish, bird, or quadruped.

Sell and sale: Includes barter, exchange, and offering or exposing for sale.

Possession: Means actual or constructive possession, and any control of things referred to.

Transport and transportation: Means all carrying or moving, or causing to be carried or moved.

Take or taking: Includes pursuing, shooting, hunting, killing, capturing, trapping, snaring, and netting fish, birds, and quadrupeds, and all lesser acts, such as disturbing, harrying, worrying, wounding, or placing, setting, drawing, or using any net or other device commonly used to take fish, birds, or quadrupeds, whether they result in taking or not, and includes every attempt to take and every act of assistance to every other person in taking or attempting to take fish, birds, or quadrupeds; *provided*, that whenever taking is allowed by law, reference is had to taking by lawful means and in lawful manner.

Bag limit: The number of any kind of game or game birds permitted to be killed in a specified time.

Resident: The word "resident" as used in this act is intended to cover all citizens of the United States who have lived in this state for not less than six months next prior to date of making application for a license.

Non-resident: The term "non-resident" as used in this act shall include all persons not coming within the definition of resident as set forth in this act.

Commission: Is synonymous with commissioner, or fish and game commissioners, or state fish and game commissioners.

SECT. 2. No person shall at any time of the year take, in any manner, number, or quantity, fish, quadrupeds, or birds protected by law, or buy, sell, offer or expose for sale the same or part thereof, transport or have the same in possession, except as permitted by this act; and this prohibition shall be read and construed as a part of each permissive section or part thereof. A person doing anything prohibited or neglecting to do anything required by this act with reference to such fish, quadrupeds, or birds shall be deemed to have violated this section. A person who counsels, aids, or assists in a violation of a provision of this act, or knowingly shares in any of the proceeds of said violation by receiving or possessing either fish, quadrupeds, or birds, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and fined or imprisoned as provided in this act in the case of a person guilty of such violation.

Taking, possession, transportation, and sale restricted.

SECT. 3. (a) Game shall be taken in the daytime after sunrise and before sunset, with a gun fired at arm's length, unless otherwise specifically permitted by this act. A person may take quadrupeds and birds during the open season therefor with the aid of a dog, unless specifically prohibited by this act.

Game, how to be taken.

(b) Fish shall be taken only by angling unless otherwise specifically permitted by this act. In case a fish is unintentionally

Fish, how to be taken.

taken contrary to the prohibitions or restrictions contained in a provision of this act, such fish shall be immediately liberated and returned to the water without unnecessary injury. Tip-ups, set and trap lines, spears, grappling hooks, naked hooks, snatch hooks, eel wires, eel pots, and nets shall not be used in any fresh waters of the state to take fish except as specifically permitted by this act.

Transportation,
general restriction
of.

SECT. 4. (a) No common carrier, or person in its employ while engaged in such business of common carrier, shall transport wild game or fish, or any part thereof, as owner. The reception or possession of game or fish protected by law, or any part thereof, for shipment, by a person or common carrier within the state, or by a person in its employ while engaged in the business of such common carrier, unaccompanied by the owner thereof, or in a package not marked as herein provided, shall constitute a violation of this section by such person or common carrier.

Transportation
within state
regulated.

(b) A person, if accompanying the same, may transport within the state in one day, during the open season therefor, the number or limit of wild game or fish that he may lawfully take in one day. If such game or fish be placed in the custody of a common carrier or transported in a package, the said game or fish, or package containing the same, shall have affixed thereto a tag plainly marked with the kind and number of such game or fish, the names of the consignor and the consignee, the initial point of billing, and the destination.

Transportation
out of state
regulated.

(c) Wild game or fish protected by law, if taken by a non-resident, may be transported by him from a point within the state to a point out of the state, *provided* the same shall be accompanied by the actual owner thereof, and *provided*, that in the case of wild game the said owner shall have first procured from the commission a license so to do. Such wild game or fish must be tagged and marked as provided in this section, and no more of any kind of such wild game or fish shall be transported than the owner thereof may lawfully take in one day. Game, except grouse, imported from without the United States or raised in private preserves, when duly marked and tagged, may be transported out of the state unaccompanied by the owner thereof, in any number or quantity.

Transportation,
special provision.

SECT. 5. Game and fish for propagation purposes, the head, hide, feet, or fur of quadrupeds, and the plumage or skin of game birds legally taken and possessed may be transported without being marked as provided in section 4 of this act.

Sale of certain
birds prohibited.

SECT. 6. The dead bodies of birds belonging to all species or sub-species native to this state and protected by law, or belonging to a family any species or sub-species of which is native to this state and protected by law, shall not be sold, offered for sale, or possessed for sale for food purposes within this state, whether taken within or without this state, except as permitted by duly authorized game breeders.

SECT. 7. Possession of quadrupeds, birds, or fish, or any part thereof, during the time when the taking of the same in this state is prohibited, or when the possession of the same after the close of the open season for the taking thereof is not permitted, shall be presumptive evidence that the same was unlawfully taken by the possessor. Presumptive evidence of illegal taking.

SECT. 8. A person who suffers loss or damage to annual crops or fruit trees by game birds and game quadrupeds protected by law may, within five days after such damage occurs, notify in writing the commission, who shall investigate the case and determine whether such loss or damage was caused by such birds or quadrupeds. If it so determines, it shall cause said loss or damage to be appraised by the board of selectmen of the town in which such property is located. The board of selectmen shall return to the commission a certificate under oath of the amount of such loss or damage. Said certificate shall be returned to the state treasurer by said commission, and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant upon the fish and game fund for the amount of the appraisal or such part thereof as he may deem reasonable. Damage by deer, payment for.

SECT. 9. (a) A person may pursue, wound, or kill on land owned or occupied by him a deer which he can prove was in the act of doing actual and substantial damage or injury to a crop or fruit trees, and he may authorize a member of his family or a person employed by him so to pursue, wound, or kill a deer, under the circumstances above specified. The person by whom or under whose direction a deer is so wounded or killed shall within six hours report all facts relative to such wounding or killing, in writing signed by him, to the nearest fish and game warden in the county or town in which the deer was so wounded or killed. Such report shall state the time and place of wounding or killing and the amount of crop destroyed by the deer. The fish and game warden who receives a notice of such killing or wounding of deer shall immediately investigate the case and satisfy himself that the deer has been wounded or killed in accordance with this section. Deer damaging crops, killing regulated.

(b) A person who violates a provision of paragraph (a) shall be fined one hundred dollars for each offense. Penalty.

(c) Any deer killed or wounded under the provisions of this section shall become the property of the person whose crops or trees have been damaged. Ownership of carcass.

SECT. 10. (a) Whenever during an open season for hunting it shall appear to the governor that by reason of drought the use of firearms in forests is liable to cause forest fires, he may by proclamation suspend such open season for such time as he may designate. Close season by proclamation.

(b) During the time which shall by such proclamation be made a close season, all provisions of law covering and relating to the close Restrictive laws in force.

season shall be in force, and a person violating a provision of the same shall be subject to the penalties therein prescribed. A person who, during the close season fixed by the governor as provided in the preceding paragraph, shoots a wild animal or bird, for the hunting of which there is no close season otherwise provided by law, shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars.

Publication.

(c) Such proclamation shall be published in such newspapers of the state and posted in such places and in such manner as the governor may order. A copy of such proclamation and order shall be furnished to the commission, who shall attend to the publication and posting thereof. The expenses of such publication and posting shall be paid out of the fish and game fund.

Injury to fences and crops.

SECT. 11. No person shall tear down or destroy any fence or wall, or leave open any gate or bars, or trample or destroy any crop, on land of another person, while taking, trapping, hunting, or pursuing any wild animals, wild bird, or fish.

Penalties.

SECT. 12. A person who violates a provision of this part, or of a lawful rule or regulation of the commission, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, except as otherwise specifically provided herein, shall be fined as follows: Ten dollars, and five dollars additional for each fish, bird, or quadruped, or part thereof, bought, sold, offered for sale, taken, possessed, transported, or had in possession for sale or transportation, in violation thereof. The holder of a hunting license who violates the provisions of section 11 shall, in addition to said fine, forfeit his license.

Part II.—Quadrupeds.

Moose, caribou, and elk.

SECT. 13. No person shall at any time take a moose, caribou, or elk, or have in his possession the carcass of a moose, caribou, or elk, or any part thereof taken in this state.

Deer, open season.

SECT. 14. (a) Wild deer may be captured or taken in the county of Coos, from the fifteenth day of October to the sixteenth day of December; in the counties of Grafton and Carroll, from the first day of November to the sixteenth day of December; in the counties of Sullivan, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Belknap, Merrimack, Rockingham, and Strafford, from the first day of December to the sixteenth day of December; after 5 a. m. and before 6 p. m.

Number limited.

(b) A person may take one such wild deer in the counties of Rockingham, Strafford, Belknap, Merrimack, Hillsborough, Cheshire, and Sullivan, or two such deer in the counties of Coos, Carroll, and Grafton, but not more than two such deer shall be taken within the confines of the state. The provisions of this section shall not apply to deer on private game preserves.

Manner of taking.

(c) Wild deer shall not be taken with the aid of or by the use of a dog, jack, artificial light, trap, snare, or salt lick; nor shall

wild deer be taken by the use of any firearm other than a shotgun loaded with a single ball or loose buckshot, within the county of Hillsborough, except within the towns of Windsor and Hillsborough, nor within the counties of Rockingham, Belknap, and that part of the county of Merrimack not included within the towns of Andover, Wilmot, Danbury, Hill, New London, Sutton, Bradford, Warner, Salisbury, and Newbury.

(d) Such deer may be bought and sold for consumption as food Sale. within the state, and possessed during the open season and for a reasonable time thereafter.

(e) Unless specifically authorized by the commission, wild deer taken by residents of this state shall not be transported by a person or common carrier, except that the carcass or parts thereof of two deer lawfully killed may, when open to view, tagged, and plainly labelled with the name of the owner thereof, or accompanied by him, be transported during the open season and for ten days thereafter; and the possession of a deer or any part thereof by a person or common carrier, otherwise than as herein prescribed, shall be presumptive evidence that such person or common carrier is guilty of a violation of the provisions of this section. A non-resident may transport through and out of the state in a single season two deer legally taken, under conditions as provided by section 57 of this act. The provisions of this act shall not apply to the head, feet, or pelt of a deer when severed from the body. Transportation,
when permitted.

(f) Dogs of the breed commonly used for hunting deer, and dogs that will hunt or pursue deer or sheep, shall not be permitted by the owner or keeper thereof to run at large unaccompanied by their owner; and if such dog be found hunting, pursuing, or killing deer or sheep, it shall be *prima facie* evidence that such dog was permitted to run at large in violation of the provisions of this section. No person shall harbor or have in his possession a dog used for the purpose of hunting deer. The presence of a hound dog or bitch so at large, or in a hunting camp or logging camp during the open season for hunting deer, shall be presumptive evidence of its unlawful use. Certain dogs not
to run at large.

SECT. 15. (a) Hares and rabbits may be taken and possessed from October first to March first. The owner of lands, his tenant or employee, may take at any time and in any number hares and rabbits which are found doing actual and substantial damage to his annual crops and fruit trees. No person shall go about with a ferret in his possession. The owner of lands, his tenant or employee, may take at any time and in any number hares and rabbits which are found doing actual and substantial damage to his annual crops and fruit trees. Hares and rabbits,
open season.

(b) A person may take in one day not more than five hares or rabbits, except as provided in paragraph (a). Limit.

Sale. (c) Hares and rabbits may be bought and sold during the open season therefor.

Gray squirrels, open season. SECT. 16. (a) After October 1, 1919, gray squirrels may be taken for food and possessed from October first to November first. The owner of farm lands may take at any time and in any number gray squirrels which are doing actual and substantial damage to his annual crops. There shall be no open season on gray squirrels within the thickly settled part of any village or city, or within the limits of any public park or cemetery.

Limit. (b) A person may take in one day and have in his possession at one time not more than five gray squirrels.

Fur-bearing animals, open season. SECT. 17. (a) Sable, otter, fisher, mink, marten, muskrat, skunk, raccoon, or fox may be taken and possessed from November first to March first. There shall be no open season for beaver. No person shall at any time destroy a muskrat house, or place a trap therein, thereon, or at the entrance thereof. This section shall not be construed as depriving a person of the right to kill any predatory animal when it is reasonably necessary so to do for the protection of domestic animals and fowls by him owned.

Raccoon and fox. (b) Raccoon and fox may be taken with the aid or by the use of dog and gun during the month of October.

Traps and snares, use regulated. (c) No person shall set or arrange any trap or snare upon any land of which he is not the owner or legal occupant, and all metal traps shall have stamped or engraved thereon in a legible and permanent manner the name of the person setting them. A person shall visit his traps at least once in every twenty-four hours. A person who sets or causes to be set a bear trap shall build in a substantial manner and maintain three-quarters around the same a railing or guard not less than three feet high, and shall protect the entrance to such enclosure against domestic animals by placing a pole horizontally across such entrance at the height of three feet from the ground. No person shall set or use at any time any device the object of which is to discharge a firearm for the purpose of taking fur-bearing or other animals.

Sale of furs. (d) The furs or skins of fur-bearing animals legally taken may be bought and sold at any time.

Bounty on wild-cats. The selectmen of any town, upon the presentation to them of the head of any wild cat killed in New Hampshire, shall pay to the person presenting the same the sum of two dollars, shall take possession of said heads, and shall report annually to the state treasurer, showing the number of animals killed and the amount paid therefor as bounty, if any. The towns paying the money as hereinbefore provided shall be reimbursed by the state treasurer for such sums as they shall have so expended.

Penalties. SECT. 18. A person who violates a provision of this part is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined as follows: For each

violation of section 13 or 14, one hundred dollars; for each violation of section 15 or 16, ten dollars and five dollars additional for each rabbit, hare, or gray squirrel taken, possessed, sold, or offered for sale contrary to the provisions of this act; for each violation of section 17, ten dollars and five dollars additional for each sable, fisher, mink, marten, muskrat, skunk, raccoon, or fox taken or possessed contrary to the provisions of this act, and twenty dollars additional for each beaver or otter taken or possessed contrary to the provisions of this act. *Provided, however,* that a person violating the prohibition against setting a spring gun the object of which is to discharge a firearm, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than fifty dollars, and shall be liable for twice the amount of the damage caused by his act, to be recovered by the person sustaining the injury or loss.

Part III.—Birds.

SECT. 19. (a) Quail may be taken and possessed from October first to December first. Quail, open season.

(b) A person may take not more than five quail in one day. Limit.

SECT. 20. (a) Ruffed grouse, commonly called partridge, may be taken and possessed from October first to December first. Grouse, etc., open season.

(b) During the open season prescribed by federal regulations, woodcock may be taken in number as provided in paragraph (c) of this section. Woodcock.

(c) A person may take a total of not more than ten ruffed grouse and ten woodcock in one day, and a total of not more than fifty ruffed grouse and fifty woodcock in an open season. Grouse and woodcock, limit.

SECT. 21. Black-breasted and golden plover, yellow legs, Wilson or jack-snipe, and rail, being migratory birds, the open and closed season is prescribed by federal regulation. Plover, snipe, and shore birds.

SECT. 22. (a) During the open season prescribed by federal regulation, wild duck and geese may be taken in number and manner as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section. Ducks and geese.

(b) A person may take not more than twenty wild ducks in one day. Limit.

(c) Ducks and geese shall not be taken from a boat propelled otherwise than by hand, nor with the aid of a jack or other light, nor between sunset in the evening and sunrise in the morning. The presence of a person upon the public waters of the state or the shores thereof after sundown and before sunrise, possessed of a firearm and a jack or other light, shall be presumptive evidence that he has violated the provisions of this section. Use of jacks, etc., prohibited.

SECT. 23. There shall be no open season for European partridge, pheasant, upland plover, and wood duck. No open season on certain birds.

SECT. 24. Wild birds, other than the English sparrow, crow, hawk, starling, and owl, shall not be taken or possessed at any time. Wild birds protected.

dead or alive. No part of the plumage, skin, or body of a bird protected by this section, or of birds coming from without the state, whether belonging to the same or a different species from that native to this state provided such birds belong to the family of those protected by this act, shall be sold or had in possession for sale. The provisions of this section shall not apply to game birds for which an open season is provided in this act.

Nests protected.

SECT. 25. Nests of wild birds, other than the English sparrow, crow, hawk, starling, snow owl, and great horned owl, shall not be robbed or wilfully destroyed except when necessary to protect build-ings or prevent their defacement.

Snares or traps prohibited.

SECT. 26. No wild bird or bird for which a close season is provided shall be trapped or snared, or if so taken, possessed. No net, trap, or snare for taking plover, grouse, or quail shall be set, placed, or used where such bird can be taken. Any such net, trap, or snare is declared to be a public nuisance and may be summarily destroyed or abated by any person, and wardens shall seize and destroy any such device.

Penalties.

SECT. 27. A person who violates a provision of this part is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined as follows: For each violation of the provision prohibiting jacking wild ducks, one hundred dollars and five dollars additional for each duck so taken or possessed; and for every other violation of a provision of this part, ten dollars and five dollars additional for every bird taken, possessed, or had in possession in violation thereof.

Part IV.—Fish.

Brook trout, open season; size limit.

SECT. 28. (a) Brook or speckled trout not less than ten inches in length may be taken and possessed from April fifth to September first from Sunapee lake, Newfound lake, Crystal lake in Enfield, Tewksbury pond in Grafton, and Pleasant pond in New London; brook trout not less than seven inches in length may be taken and possessed from May first to August first from Dublin pond in Dublin; brook trout not less than seven inches in length may be taken and possessed from April fifteenth to September first from all other ponds and lakes; brook trout not less than five inches in length may be taken and possessed from May first to September first from the streams in Coos, Carroll, and Grafton counties; brook trout not less than five inches in length may be taken and possessed from April first to August first from all other streams of this state. *Provided, however,* there shall be no open season for brook trout between May first, 1915, and May first, 1920, in any brooks or tributaries emptying into Nash stream or Nash stream bogs, situated in the county of Coos, except the pond and flowage on Pond brook.

Salmon, open season; size limit.

(b) Salmon not less than fifteen inches in length may be taken and possessed from April fifteenth to September first.

(c) Lake trout not less than fifteen inches in length may be taken and possessed from January first to September first. Lake trout, open season; size limit.

(d) The taking of lake trout from Winnepesaukee lake, Paugus lake and Winnisquam lake after the fifteenth day of June in any year by trolling is prohibited, and not more than two trout shall be taken in any one day between June fifteenth and September first. Lake trout in certain waters.

(e) Aureolus or golden trout not less than ten inches in length may be taken and possessed from April fifteenth to September first. Aureolus, open season; size limit.

(f) A person may take, between one hour before sunrise and two hours after sunset, in one day, a total of not more than ten pounds of brook trout and a total of not more than four salmon, aureolus, and lake trout; *provided, however*, that the taking of one fish additional weighing less than the number of pounds specified in the weight catch limit shall not be regarded as a violation of this section. Catch limit of certain fish.

(g) The taking of any of the species mentioned in this section between two hours after sunset and one hour before sunrise is prohibited. Whenever any pond or lake shall be covered or substantially covered with ice during the open season, the taking therefrom of any of the species mentioned in this section, except lake trout, is prohibited. Certain fishing prohibited.

SECT. 29. (a) Black bass not less than nine inches in length may be taken and possessed from July first to January first. Black bass, open season; size limit.

SECT. 30. (a) Muscallonge may be taken and possessed from June first to April first. Muscallonge, open season.

(b) Such muscallonge may be bought and sold during the open season therefor. Sale.

SECT. 31. (a) Pike perch not less than ten inches in length may be taken and possessed from June first to March first. Pike perch, open season; size limit.

(b) White perch may be taken and possessed from June first to March first. White perch, open season.

(c) Such pike perch and white perch may be bought and sold during the open season therefor. Sale.

SECT. 32. (a) Pickerel not less than twelve inches in length may be taken and possessed from June first to February first. Pickerel, open season; size limit.

(b) Pickerel of any size and in any quantity may be taken and possessed from Sunapee lake, Crystal lake in Enfield, and Tewksbury pond in Grafton, and from the waters in Coos county at any time. Pickerel not less than twelve inches in length may be taken from lakes Winnepesaukee, Massabesic, Winnisquam, Asquam, Wentworth, Spofford, and the Connecticut River in Cheshire county, from June first to April first. Exceptions in certain waters.

(c) A person may take not more than twenty-five pounds of pickerel in one day; *provided, however*, that the taking of one fish additional weighing less than the number of pounds specified in the catch limit shall not be regarded as a violation of this section. Catch limit.

- Sale. (d) Such pickerel may be bought and sold during the open season therefor.
- Shad and whitefish, open season. SECT. 33. (a) Shad and whitefish or bluefins may be taken and possessed from January first to September first.
- Sale. (b) Such shad and whitefish may be bought and sold during the open season therefor.
- Limit in certain waters. (c) The taking of more than six shad or whitefish in any one day from the waters of Winnepesaukee lake, Paugus lake or Winisquam lake, between the fifteenth day of June and the first day of September, is prohibited.
- Smelt, manner of taking. SECT. 34. (a) Fresh-water smelt may be taken and possessed by means of a dip net held in hand.
- Catch limit. (b) A person may take a total of not more than ten pounds of fresh-water smelt in one day.
- Placing certain fish prohibited. SECT. 35. No person shall put pickerel, pike, black bass, carp, or the roe, spawn, or fry thereof, into any public waters of this state containing trout or salmon. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the commission or persons acting under its direction.
- Poisons and explosives prohibited. SECT. 36. No person shall take any fish by the use of any poisonous, stupefying, or explosive substance. Possession of any such substance by a person on the waters, shore, or islands of this state, except for mining or mechanical purposes, shall be a violation of the provisions of this section.
- Racks, etc., prohibited. SECT. 37. No person shall by means of a rack, screen, weir, or other obstruction in a creek, or the inlet or outlet to a public pond, prevent the passage of fish.
- Nets, when allowed. SECT. 38. A dip net held in hand may be used to assist in the taking of fish attached to a line. Minnow nets not exceeding fifteen feet in length may be used for taking minnows for bait from waters not inhabited by trout. Minnow traps may be set for taking minnows for bait in waters inhabited by trout, provided that no such trap shall exceed eighteen inches in length and that the aperture therein for the entrance of fish shall not exceed one inch in diameter.
- Drawing off water prohibited. SECT. 39. No person shall take fish by shutting or drawing off water.
- Certain devices prohibited. SECT. 40. (a) No person shall use or have in his possession for use, or furnish for another's use, for taking fish in the fresh waters of this state, except as specifically permitted in this act, a net of any kind or description, set line, fishing otter, trawl, grapple, spear, jack, jacklight, or electrical or other device for killing or stunning fish. A person found on any such waters of the state, or the shores or islands thereof, having in his possession any of the aforesaid devices, shall be deemed to have violated the provisions of this section. Such devices are hereby declared to be public nuisances and may be summarily seized and destroyed by any person. The pro-

visions of this section shall not apply to the commission or persons acting under its direction.

(b) Lake trout, pike perch, perch, shad, white fish, pickerel, and cusk may be taken through the ice, during the open season therefor, with hook and line, tip-ups, or bobs; but no person shall have in use or control at the same time more than ten tended lines, tip-ups, or bobs, and such person shall be present and have personal control over the same, except that such devices for taking cusk may be set and left unattended. No person shall take more than six trout through the ice in any one day. Ice-fishing regulated.

(c) It shall be unlawful to fish for lake trout or salmon through the ice upon Newfound lake, except that lake trout may be taken through the ice in the month of January. In Newfound lake.

(d) The open season for trolling or fishing with hook and line in open waters shall be, for salmon and lake trout, from April first to September first. Trolling season.

SECT. 41. No person shall for the whole or any part of the time engage in the business or occupation of fishing for brook or speckled trout, or lake trout, for gain or hire. Trout fishing as business prohibited.

SECT. 42. No person shall buy, sell, offer for sale, carry beyond the limits of the state, or place in private waters, any fish or fry entrusted to his care by the commission for distribution in the waters of this state. Fraudulent use of fry, etc.

SECT. 43. The provisions of this part shall not apply to the owners of private waters taking fish from such waters for purposes of propagation and distribution. Private waters excepted.

SECT. 44. No person shall take or use fish for fertilizer. Fish for fertilizer.

SECT. 45. No person shall take fish in any private or artificial ponds prepared or used for the purpose of breeding, growing, or preserving fish, or any stream connected therewith, wholly within the control of the person who owns the land around the same, nor break down any dam or embankment of the same, nor place therein any explosive, poisonous or stupefying substance, nor place therein any fish, or the roe, spawn or fry of any fish, without the permission of the owner or lessee of the land upon or through which such waters stand or flow. Private waters protected.

SECT. 46. A person who violates a provision of this part is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined as follows: For each violation of section 28, ten dollars and five dollars for each fish taken, possessed, bought, or sold in violation thereof; of sections 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33, five dollars and five dollars additional for each fish taken and possessed in violation thereof; of section 34, ten dollars; of section 35, one hundred dollars or be imprisoned for not more than ninety days, or both such fine and imprisonment; of section 36, not more than one hundred dollars nor less than fifty dollars; of sections 37 and 38, not more than fifty dollars; of Penalties.

section 39, not more than fifty dollars nor less than twenty-five dollars; of section 40, fifty dollars; of sections 41, 42, and 44, fifty dollars; of section 45, one hundred dollars, or be imprisoned not more than thirty days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

Part V.—Salt Water Fish; Crustaceans; Mollusks.

Smelt, close season.

SECT. 47. (a) The taking of salt-water smelt from the Piscataqua river and its tributaries, the Exeter river and its tributaries, Great bay, and Greenland bay, from March thirty-first to July first, is prohibited.

Use of seines restricted.

(b) No person shall use or have in use a seine, weir, or net for the taking of smelt in the Piscataqua river and its tributaries and Little Harbor and its tributaries easterly of an imaginary line drawn from the easterly end of the Portsmouth & Concord bridge to Adams' Point in the town of Durham. The use of a seine for the taking of smelt in that portion of the Exeter river lying between Portsmouth & Concord bridge and an imaginary line drawn from Whetstone Point in the town of Stratham to Hilton's Point in the town of Newfields, is prohibited.

Cod, taking regulated.

SECT. 48. No person shall use a trawl for the taking of cod-fish in the Piscataqua river or its tributaries north of the Portsmouth bridge. No person shall use a purse seine or beam trawl for the taking of cod, haddock, pollock, hake, or flounders, along the shores of the Atlantic ocean between Rye ledges and the Massachusetts line.

Lobsters, size limit.

SECT. 49. No person shall take, preserve, have in possession, sell, or offer for sale any lobster under nine inches in length, measuring from one extremity of the body to the other, exclusive of the claws and feelers, nor take, preserve, have in possession, or kill any female lobster carrying spawn.

Lobster pots, interference prohibited.

SECT. 50. No person shall take up or in any way interfere with a lobster pot without the authority of the owner thereof, nor take, remove or carry away from any beach or shore any lobster net, lobster pot, or warp or buoy thereof.

Oysters, taking regulated.

SECT. 51. No person shall take oysters from Great Bay or its tributaries, Little Bay, or Durham river during the months of June, July, and August, nor through the ice, nor in any manner other than by the use of hand tongs, except in that part of Great Bay and its tributaries westerly of an imaginary line drawn from the easterly end of Concord bridge to Adams' Point. No person shall take more than one bushel of oysters from said waters during one day unless the oysters have been bedded in the aforesaid waters by the person taking the same.

Conch or wrinkles.

SECT. 52. No person shall take conch or wrinkles except for consumption or use by residents of this state.

SECT. 53. A person who violates a provision of this part is Penalties. guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined as follows: For each violation of section 47, not exceeding fifty dollars; of section 48, fifty dollars; of section 49, five dollars and five dollars additional for each lobster taken or possessed in violation thereof; of section 50, not exceeding fifty dollars; of section 51, ten dollars; of section 52, not exceeding ten dollars.

Part VI.—Licenses.

SECT. 54. No person shall at any time hunt, trap, shoot, pursue, Hunters' licenses required; exceptions. take, or kill wild animals, wild fowl, or birds in this state, nor use a gun for hunting the same, without first having procured a license therefor as hereinafter provided, and then only in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to all other provisions of this act; *provided, however,* that the resident owners of farm lands, their minor children or tenants, may hunt and kill game on farm lands of which they are the *bona fide* owners or tenants during the season when it shall be lawful to kill game, and may kill predatory animals as permitted under the provisions of this act, and noxious animals not protected by law at any time, without procuring such license.

SECT. 55. Such license shall be issued by the commission, or by town clerks in this state under such rules and regulations and in such form as may be prescribed by the commission, to persons eighteen years of age or over and to a person under eighteen years of age with the consent in writing of the parent or guardian of such child. No such license shall be granted to any child under thirteen years of age; *provided, however,* that a child under the age of thirteen may hunt without a license when accompanied by parent or guardian who has secured a license according to the provisions of this section. The state treasurer shall supply the commission with books containing consecutively numbered licenses having duplicate stubs, upon which shall be recorded the date when the license was issued and the name and address of the person to whom issued. Such license shall contain the name, age, color of hair and eyes, and residence of the licensee. The applicant shall fill out and subscribe to a blank furnished by the commission to said clerk and pay him the following fees: If the applicant is a *bona fide* resident of this state he shall pay the sum of one dollar, of which the clerk may retain fifteen cents as a fee, and said clerk shall thereupon issue a resident hunting license showing the date issued, which shall entitle the licensee to hunt, trap, shoot, take, and transport all kinds of game birds and animals under the restrictions of this act and subject to the suspension of the hunting season by the governor. If the applicant is a non-resident, he shall pay the sum of fifteen dollars, of which the clerk may retain fifteen cents as a fee, and said clerk shall thereupon issue a non-resident hunting license showing Licenses, how issued; fees, amount and disposition of.

the date issued, which shall entitle the licensee to hunt, trap, shoot, take, and transport all kinds of game birds and animals, including deer, under the restrictions of this act and subject to the suspension of the hunting season by the governor. Said town clerk shall on the first day of each month transmit such sums, except said clerk's fees, as may be in his possession, to the commission, to be by it paid over to the state treasurer, to be credited to the fish and game fund, to be used for the purposes provided for in this act. Town clerks shall return to the commission, at least ten days before the close of the fiscal year, all unused license blanks, with the statement of the amount remitted to the state treasurer on license account during the year. The commission and town clerks shall be held responsible to the state treasurer to the face value of all license blanks supplied to them until settlement has been made at the end of the fiscal year.

Limitation of licenses.

SECT. 56. All licenses shall expire on the first day of January next following their issuance and shall not be transferable.

Transportation of deer and game birds on non-resident license.

SECT. 57. Each non-resident license shall be provided with two coupons, which shall each permit the transportation of the carcass of one deer or part thereof, which coupons shall be divided each into two sections, numbered A-1 and A-2, and B-1 and B-2. The holder of a non-resident license, on presenting the same with coupons attached to the agent of a transportation company, may offer for transportation and have transported by such company, two deer. If only one deer is offered for transportation, the agent receiving the carcass or part thereof shall detach section A-1 from the coupon, cancel the same by writing or stamping thereon the date and place of shipment, together with his own name, and forward the same forthwith to the commission. Section A-2 of said coupon shall also be cancelled in like manner and attached to the carcass of the deer or part thereof offered for transportation, which shall remain attached to the same during transportation within the state. If a second deer or part thereof shall be offered for transportation, the agent receiving the same shall detach section B-1, cancel and forward the same to the commission as above provided, and cancel section B-2 and attach the same to the carcass of the deer or part thereof, which shall remain attached to the same during transportation within this state. A non-resident may offer for transportation and have transported by such company as many game birds as may be lawfully taken or killed by one person in a single day, by exhibiting his license to the agent of the transportation company, who shall indorse upon the back of such license in ink the name of the station from which shipment is made, the destination, and the number of each kind of game birds to be transported; and such game birds shall be tagged, plainly labelled, and open to view. If a license is presented with a consignment of game

for transportation and such indorsement shows that the number of such game which may be lawfully killed by one person in a single day has already been transported on such license, such company shall refuse to accept the same for transportation.

SECT. 58. Each resident license shall be provided with two coupons which shall each permit the transportation of the carcass of one deer or part thereof, between points within the state. Each coupon shall be divided into two sections marked "Resident," and numbered A-1 and A-2, and B-1 and B-2. The holder of a resident license, when desiring to have transported the carcass of one deer or part thereof, shall detach section A-1 and forward the same to the commission. Section A-2 shall be detached, cancelled by marking thereon in ink the date of shipment, attached to the carcass or part thereof, and shall remain attached thereto during transportation. If a second deer or part thereof is to be transported, section B-1 shall be detached and forwarded to the commission, and section B-2 shall be cancelled, attached, and remain attached as above provided. The carcass or part thereof, so tagged and unaccompanied by the actual owner thereof, may be received by a common carrier and transported between points within the state.

Transportation of deer on resident license.

SECT 59. No person to whom a license has been issued as hereinbefore provided shall hunt, trap, shoot, kill, or transport game or wild animals, nor use a gun for hunting in this state, unless at the time of such hunting, trapping, shooting, killing, taking, or transporting, or using such gun, such person has such license on his person. Such person shall exhibit such license on demand to any person for inspection.

Carrying and exhibiting licenses.

SECT. 60. A person who violates a provision of this part, or who furnishes to another person, or permits another person to have or use, a license issued to himself, or changes or alters such license or coupon, or uses a license or license-coupons issued to another person, or makes a false statement in an application, or knowingly guides a hunter who has not a license as hereinbefore provided, is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than fifty dollars nor less than twenty-five dollars for each offense; and any licensee who violates a provision of this part, in addition to said fine shall forfeit his license.

Penalties.

Part VII.—Fish and Game Fund; Expenditure Thereof Authorized.

SECT. 61. The state treasurer shall keep a separate account, to be known as the fish and game fund, to which shall be credited all money received from fines, forfeitures, and license fees. The court or justice of any court in which a complaint for violation of this act is prosecuted shall, within sixty days after any fine is paid, remit the amount thereof to the state treasurer.

Fish and game fund, how created.

Expenditure of fund regulated.

SECT. 62. The salary, compensation, and expenses of the commission, wardens, and all agents and employees of the commission shall be charged to and paid out of said fund. The expense of maintaining, repairing, and operating hatcheries, and the expense of propagating and distributing game quadrupeds, game birds, fish, fry, and fingerlings, and all other expenditures authorized under the provisions of this act, shall be charged to and paid out of this fund. The balance of said fund may be used by the commission, with the advice and consent of the governor and council, in buying, propagating, distributing, and protecting game and fish and providing facilities therefor. All money received from hunting licenses and from fines and forfeitures during any fiscal year is hereby annually appropriated for the use of the fish and game commission department during such fiscal year, in the manner provided in this act. At the close of each fiscal year the unexpended balance of said money shall be carried forward and added to the appropriation for the subsequent year. No part of said fund shall be expended, however, except with the advice and consent of the governor and council.

Part VIII.—General Powers and Duties of the Commission.

Powers and duties of commission.

SECT. 63. The commission shall have the power and authority to stock and restock the forests and the waters with, and introduce therein, suitable fish and game, and for that purpose may co-operate with the commissioners of other states having common interests with this state; to prohibit the taking of fish through the ice from any of the waters of the state for a period not exceeding five years, whenever it shall appear to the commission, after public notice and hearing, advisable so to do; to erect and maintain such screens in the public waters of the state as may be necessary to prevent the escape of migratory fish therefrom, provided such screens shall not interrupt materially the flow of water or the passage of logs and lumber; to seize and remove summarily, at the expense of persons using or maintaining the same, all unlawful obstructions to the passage of fish in the waters of the state; to investigate and prosecute all violations of this act, and all other acts the duty of enforcing which is imposed on the commission; to make rules not inconsistent with laws regulating the transportation and exportation of game and fish. Said commission shall have the conduct and control of the state fish hatchery and the propagation and distribution of fish and game. A commissioner shall have in fish and game matters the power to serve criminal process and to arrest without warrant, in any part of the state, a person found violating a provision of this act. The commission shall render to the state treasurer at the close of each fiscal year, and to the governor when requested, an

itemized account of all money by it received, and to whom and for what purposes any money was by it expended. Said account shall contain such other information as may be requested by the state treasurer or by the governor. The commission shall keep an account of the proceedings of its department, and on or before the first day of December next prior to the assembling of the legislature shall file with the secretary of state a report thereof to the governor and council.

SECT. 64. Fish, birds, or quadrupeds, or parts thereof, found in the possession or under the control of a person contrary to law, shall be seized and confiscated in the name of the state, and the commission may in its discretion sell or otherwise dispose of the same, as it may deem for the best interest of the state, and the same may be transported at any time for such purpose. All moneys received under the provisions of this section shall be added to the fish and game fund and may be expended for the purposes of this act.

Disposal of fish and game seized.

SECT. 65. The commission may take fish at such times and in such manner as it may deem proper for the artificial propagation thereof, and may remove or permit or cause to be removed, from public or private waters, fish which hinder or prevent the propagation of game or food fish. Such removal shall be effected in the manner specified by said commission and under such regulations as it may provide; and fish taken under this section may be disposed of and possessed under such regulations as the commission may establish.

Right to take fish.

SECT. 66. The commission may sell trout fry and fingerlings to residents of this state for the purpose of stocking waters in the state, and it may sell to residents fish reared at the state fish hatchery which are unsuitable for propagation or dissemination. Such fish shall be sold at a price sufficient to return the state a reasonable profit. The commission shall keep an itemized account of sales and include the same in its biennial report. The commission shall remit to the state treasurer all moneys received under the provisions of this section, which shall be credited to the fish and game fund and be expended for the purposes of this act.

Power to sell fry and fish.

SECT. 67. All persons shall obey, observe, and comply with the orders or rules made by the commission under authority of this act. A person violating or attempting to violate such rule or order shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined fifty dollars, unless otherwise specifically provided for.

Observance of rules.

SECT. 68. The commission may from time to time as it shall deem expedient appoint fish and game wardens, but the number thereof shall at no time exceed ten. The commission may also appoint such deputy fish and game wardens as it may deem necessary. Such fish and game wardens shall hold office during the pleasure of the commission and may be removed by it at any time; and they

Wardens, appointment of.

shall be under its direction and supervision, and shall act and incur expense only under its direction. A copy of the appointment of each warden shall be filed in the office of the commission. All appointments made by the commission under the provision of this section shall be with the advice and consent of the governor and council.

Powers and duties
of wardens.

SECT. 69. Such fish and game wardens shall enforce all laws relating to fish, game, quadrupeds, and birds, and all rules and regulations in relation thereto, and arrest all violators thereof. They shall also have in fish and game matters the power to serve criminal process and to require aid in executing the duties of their office. They shall seize animals, fish, or birds taken or held in violation of this act. They may arrest without warrant and on view, in any part of this state, a person found violating a provision of this act, take such person before a magistrate having jurisdiction for trial, and detain such person in custody at the expense of the state until opportunity is given to notify a prosecuting officer, who shall forthwith prosecute such offender. A commissioner and the wardens shall have power to search where they have reason to believe that fish, birds, or quadrupeds, or parts thereof, are possessed in violation of law, and without search warrant to examine the contents of a vehicle, boat, box, locker, basket, creel, crate, game bag, or package. It shall be the duty of all such wardens while in and about the forests to caution persons of the danger from fires in the forests, and to extinguish a fire left burning if in their power. It shall be their duty to give notice to all parties interested when possible, and to the forest fire warden of the town interested in particular, of fires threatening to extend beyond control. Pending the arrival of such fire warden, they shall assume all the powers of such wardens as provided by statute.

Records and re-
ports of wardens.

SECT. 70. Fish and game wardens shall make such reports as may be required by the commission. Each warden shall keep a daily record of his official acts and report the same at the close of each month to the commission.

Compensation of
wardens.

SECT. 71. The salary of fish and game wardens shall be fixed by the commission, but shall not exceed one hundred dollars per month and their necessary expenses when continuously employed, and three dollars per day when not continuously employed for a longer period than two weeks. Deputy fish and game wardens shall receive not more than three dollars a day and actual expenses when officially employed.

Repealing clause.

SECT. 72. Chapter 79 of the Laws of 1901, and all acts and parts of acts in amendment thereof, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed; and all other laws which prescribe who may take, and the time and manner of taking, possessing, and transporting any fish, quadruped, or bird, and the num-

ber or quantity that may be taken or transported, are hereby repealed. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of chapter 165, Laws of 1913, are hereby repealed. *Provided, however,* that nothing in this act shall be construed as repealing special laws which prohibit for a fixed time the taking of all fish through the ice in certain specified waters, nor as repealing chapter 74, Laws of 1909, nor as modifying any lawful order made by the commission, by virtue of said chapter, nor as repealing special laws relating only to the Blue Mountain Forest Association.

SECT. 73. Part VII of this act shall take effect September 1, 1915; all other parts of this act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect, when.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 134.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A DEFICIENCY IN THE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT.

SECTION

1. Transfer of funds authorized.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause: act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. In order to prevent any deficiency in the fish and game appropriation for the present fiscal year, the governor and council are authorized by vote to transfer such sum or sums of money as they may deem necessary from the unexpended balance of the fish and game receipts for the year ending August 31, 1914, to the use of said fish and game department between May 1 and September 1, 1915. Transfer of funds authorized.

SECT. 2. Any provisions of sections 8 and 9, chapter 165, Laws of 1913, that may be inconsistent with the transfer of this money as authorized by this act, are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 135.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 115, LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO EXEMPT PROPERTY OF EDUCATIONAL, CHARITABLE, AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS AND OF TEMPERANCE SOCIETIES FROM TAXATION."

SECTION 1. Exemption of certain property authorized.	SECTION 2. Takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Certain exemptions authorized.

SECTION 1. Amend said act by renumbering section 2 so that it shall be section 3, and inserting a new section 2, as follows: SECT. 2. Towns and cities are hereby authorized to exempt from taxation, in the same manner as provided in section 1, real estate other than that mentioned in said section 1 now owned by charitable societies which have established and maintained homes for dependent children or indigent aged people, where the income of said real estate is devoted solely to the support of such homes, *provided* such whole exemption shall be limited to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 136.

AN ACT TO CLOSE A PORTION OF CONTOOCOOK RIVER FOR FISHING THROUGH THE ICE FOR THE TERM OF FIVE YEARS.

SECTION 1. Ice-fishing prohibited. 2. Penalty for violation.	SECTION 3. Takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Ice-fishing prohibited.

SECTION 1. For a period of five years from the date of the passage of this act, that portion of Contoocook river lying between the dam at Contoocook River park, in the village of Penacook in the

city of Concord, and the village of Contoocook, in the town of Hopkinton, is hereby closed for fishing through the ice.

SECT. 2. Any person violating the terms of section 1 shall be punished by a fine of ten dollars for each offense. Penalty.

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

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 137.

AN ACT RELATING TO INVESTMENTS BY SAVINGS BANKS.

SECTION

1. Investment in certain notes authorized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on pasasge.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. On and after the passage of this act, savings banks and the savings departments of banking and trust companies, in addition to the investments heretofore authorized by law, may invest their funds in the notes of individuals, firms, or corporations whose net assets are not less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and whose total indebtedness does not exceed fifty per cent. of their quick assets; but not exceeding two per cent. of the deposits shall be loaned to any one individual, firm, or corporation on this class of security, and not exceeding ten per cent. of the deposits shall be so invested. Investment in certain notes authorized.

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

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 138.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 98, LAWS OF 1901, RELATING TO THE PLANTING AND PROTECTION OF SHADE TREES ALONG THE HIGHWAYS.

SECTION

1. Cutting of roadside growth; certain trees public property; jurisdiction of highway department; provision for maintenance and planting.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Cutting of roadside growth; certain trees public property; jurisdiction of highway department; maintenance and planting.

SECTION 1. Strike out all of section 7, chapter 98, Laws of 1901, as amended by chapter 111, Laws of 1913, and insert in place thereof the following: SECT. 7. Mayors of cities, selectmen of towns, and county commissioners for unincorporated places, shall annually during the months of August or September, and at other times when advisable, cause to be cut and disposed of from within the limits of the highway, all trees and bushes that cause damage to the highway, traveling public, or that are objectionable from the material or artistic standpoint. Shade and fruit trees that have been set out or marked by the abutting landowners or by the town tree warden, and young trees standing at a proper distance from the highway and from each other, shall be preserved, as well as banks and hedges of bushes that serve as a protection of the highway, or that add to the beauty of the roadside; and it shall be unlawful for anyone to deposit rubbish within the limits of the highway.

Any young shade or ornamental tree planted within the limits of a public highway by the tree warden, or by any other person or persons, with the approval of the selectmen or the mayor, shall forthwith become the property of the town or city. Any young seedling tree or sprout left within the limits of the highway as specified in this section and designated by the tree warden to be preserved for its future value as a shade tree shall become the property of the municipality; *provided*, that the abutting landowner, having been notified of the intention of the town to take and preserve such young tree or trees, shall have made no written objection to the tree warden within thirty days from the date of such notification.

The selectmen of a town or the highway department of a city may contract with any owner of land abutting a public highway to cut, trim, and improve the roadside growth along said owner's

property, and for all such work properly done in carrying out the provisions of this section and approved by the tree warden, may allow and cause to be paid to said owner such sums of money as in their judgment, with the advice of the tree warden, justly compensate the town or city in the improved condition of the roadside.

On all state roads and trunk-line highways the plan of carrying out the provisions of this act shall be under the supervision of the state highway department. Said department shall make such rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act as shall, in its judgment, seem for the best interests of the state. Whenever any trees or brush cut along the highway is disposed of by burning, the cut trees or brush shall be removed a safe distance from any adjoining woodland or from any tree or hedge designated or desirable for preservation, and such burning shall be done with the permission of the forest fire warden. All trees or brush thus cut from within the limits of the highway shall be disposed of within 30 days from the cutting thereof.

When any highway shall be laid out, damages may be assessed to the abutting owners to provide for the maintenance or planting, from time to time, within the limits of such highway, of such shade and ornamental trees as may be necessary for the preservation and improvement of such highway. Damages may be assessed to abutting owners on any existing highway upon petition therefor, and such proceedings had as in the lay-out of highways to provide for the maintenance and planting, from time to time, of such trees within the limits of such highways as may be necessary for the preservation and improvement of the same. When such damage shall be assessed and paid, there shall be, in addition to the right of travel over such highway, a public easement to protect, preserve, and renew the growth thereon for the purposes aforesaid.

SECT. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause;
act takes effect on
passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 139.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AND IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 35 OF THE LAWS OF 1905, CHAPTER 155 OF THE LAWS OF 1909, CHAPTERS 158 AND 168 OF THE LAWS OF 1913, AND SECTION 1, CHAPTER 84, OF THE LAWS OF 1913.

SECTION

1. Expense of improving certain highways, how borne.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Certain highway expense, how borne.

SECTION 1. All roads included in chapter 35 of the Laws of 1905, chapter 155 of the Laws of 1909, and chapters 158 and 168 of the Laws of 1913, shall be included in the terms of section 1, chapter 84, Laws of 1913.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 140.

AN ACT TO PREVENT THE INCREASE OF DRUNKENNESS IN NO-LICENSE CITIES AND TOWNS.

SECTION

1. Possession of liquor, when illegal.
2. Penalty for violation.
3. Liquor subject to forfeiture, when.

SECTION

4. Application of act limited.
5. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Possession of liquor, when illegal.

SECTION 1. In the cities and towns in which the provisions of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes and amendments thereto are in force and effect, if any person is convicted of drunkenness it shall be unlawful for such person to have in his possession any intoxicating liquor within a period of twelve months after the time of such conviction.

Penalty.

SECT. 2. If any person shall be convicted of a violation of section 1 of this act, he shall be punished by a fine of not more than ten dollars and imprisonment in the house of correction for not less

than thirty days nor more than ninety days for each offense; but the court may suspend the whole or any part of the penalty thus imposed, upon such conditions as it may determine.

SECT. 3. Any intoxicating liquor in the possession of any person at the time of his arrest and conviction for drunkenness, or at any subsequent time during twelve months thereafter, shall be subject to be forfeited, and the court having jurisdiction of the defendant shall make an order for its destruction by an officer of said court. Forfeiture of liquor.

SECT. 4. Nothing in this act contained shall be construed to prevent a person having liquor for *bona fide* medicinal use, upon the advice and prescription of a physician duly registered in New Hampshire. Limitation.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 141.

AN ACT RELATING TO EXPENSES OF COUNTY SOLICITORS WHILE IN THE DISCHARGE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES.

SECTION

1. Expenses allowed, when; repealing clause.
2. Salary and expenses payable quarterly; approval of accounts; repealing clause.

SECTION

3. Takes effect April 1, 1917.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The solicitors of the several counties shall hereafter be allowed their actual expenses incurred in the discharge of their official duties while away from their offices; and so much of section 17, chapter 286, of the Public Statutes, as is inconsistent with this act is hereby repealed. Expenses allowed, when; repealing clause.

SECT. 2. Solicitors shall be paid quarterly for their salary and expenses. Their expense account shall be submitted to some justice of the superior court for his approval before the same is paid. Sections 7 and 8 of chapter 117, Laws of 1905, are hereby repealed. Salary and expenses payable quarterly; approval of accounts; repealing clause.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect April 1, 1917. Takes effect April 1, 1917.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 142.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 128, LAWS OF 1909, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE STATE SYSTEM OF FOREST PROTECTION."

SECTION		SECTION
1. Fire in or near woodland regulated.		2. Takes effect April 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Fire in or near
woodland regu-
lated.

SECTION 1. Chapter 128, Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by striking out section 13 inserted therein by chapter 166, Laws of 1911, and substituting therefor the following: SECT. 13. No person shall kindle a fire or burn brush in or near woodland, except when the ground is covered with snow, without the written permission of the forest fire warden, or the presence of the forest fire warden or person appointed to represent him.

Takes effect April
1, 1915.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect April 1, 1915.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 143.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE TAXATION OF FUR-BEARING ANIMALS.

SECTION		SECTION
1. How, when, and where taxed.		2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

How, when, and
where taxed.

SECTION 1. All fur-bearing animals kept in captivity for the purpose of breeding the same, or for any other commercial purpose, shall be taxed as domestic animals in the town where situated on the first day of April of each year.

Takes effect on
passage.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 144.

AN ACT FIXING THE PENALTY FOR TAMPERING WITH THE FIRE-ALARM SYSTEM OF ANY CITY OR TOWN OF THE STATE.

SECTION
1. Tampering with fire-alarm, etc., how punished.

SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Whoever shall willfully deface, injure, or destroy the fire-alarm system of any city or town of the state, or shall willfully interfere with the same or do anything to prevent or delay the proper and timely use thereof, or shall willfully cause to be sent over said fire-alarm system a false alarm of fire, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Tampering with fire-alarm, etc., how punished.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 145.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2, CHAPTER 38, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, IN RELATION TO THE ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT.

SECTION
1. Failure of town clerk to return number of voters, how punished.

SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 2, chapter 38, of the Public Statutes, by adding thereto the following: Any town clerk who fails to make a return of the number of voters on such check-list shall be fined not exceeding twenty-five dollars; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. Certificates of election shall be made in duplicate, certified and signed in the same manner as the returns of votes for governor; one of them shall be delivered to the representative elect, and the other shall be forwarded to the

Failure to return number of voters, how punished.

secretary of state within five days after the day on which the election is held, and the town clerk shall also certify that the check-list was duly posted and used during the balloting on which such representative was chosen, and to the number of voters whose names were upon the check-list as corrected on the day of such meeting. Any town clerk who fails to make a return of the number of voters on such check-list shall be fined not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 146.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 114, LAWS OF 1901, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REGULATE AND LIMIT THE INVESTMENTS OF SAVINGS BANKS."

SECTION

1. Investment in mortgages of realty outside state regulated.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Investment in mortgages of realty outside state regulated.

SECTION 1. Amend subdivision 2 of section 1, chapter 114, Laws of 1901, by striking out the entire subdivision and substituting in place thereof a new subdivision to read as follows: (2) In notes secured by first mortgage of real estate situated outside of New Hampshire which is at the time improved, occupied, and productive; but not exceeding forty per cent. of the deposits shall be so invested, no such loan shall exceed fifty per cent. of the value of the security, and not more than twenty-five per cent. of the deposits shall be so invested outside the states of Maine, Massachusetts, and Vermont.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 147.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO TEMPORARY ABSENCES OF PATIENTS FROM THE
STATE HOSPITAL.

SECTION

1. Temporary absences, when permitted.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. The superintendent of the state hospital, with the approval of the supervising body, may permit any inmate thereof temporarily to leave said institution in charge of his guardian, relatives, or friends, for a period not exceeding six months, and may receive him when returned by any said guardian, relatives, or friends within said period, or may take and recommit him when necessary, without any further order of commitment.

Temporary absences, when permitted.

SECT. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 148.

AN ACT RELATING TO ACTIONS FOR PERSONAL INJURIES.

SECTION

1. Contributory negligence defense; burden of proof.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause.
3. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Hereafter, in all actions of tort for personal injury, contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiff shall be a good defense to the action, and the burden of proving the same shall be upon the defendant.

Contributory negligence defense; burden of proof.

SECT. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Repealing clause.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 149.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE INVESTMENTS OF SAVINGS BANKS.

SECTION

1. Investment in bonds and notes of public utilities, when.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

In bonds and notes of public utilities, when.

SECTION 1. Savings banks and savings departments of banking and trust companies in this state are hereby authorized to make investment of their funds, in addition to the investments heretofore by law authorized, in the bonds and notes of any corporation organized under the laws of this state and doing business in this state as a public utility, as by law defined, which is under the supervision of the public service commission of this state and has earned and paid regular dividends of not less than five per cent. per annum upon its capital stock for five years next preceding such investment, provided such capital stock be not less than the total bonded and floating indebtedness of such corporation; but not exceeding ten per cent. of the deposits of any savings bank or department shall be so invested.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 150.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1, CHAPTER 115, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO THE EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION OF PROPERTY OF EDUCATIONAL, CHARITABLE, RELIGIOUS, AND TEMPERANCE SOCIETIES, AND MILITARY ORGANIZATIONS.

SECTION

1. Property used by G. A. R. exempt from taxation.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Property used by G. A. R. exempt from taxation.

SECTION 1. Amend section 1, chapter 115, Laws of 1913, by adding after the word "incorporated" in the fifth line the following: and property used and occupied by the Grand Army of the Republic

lic; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. The personal property of institutions devoted to educational purposes, charitable and religious societies, and of temperance societies, incorporated within this state, and the real estate owned and occupied by them, their officers, or their students for the purposes for which they are incorporated, and property used and occupied by the Grand Army of the Republic, shall be exempt from taxation, provided none of the income or profits of the business of such corporations or institutions is divided among the stockholders or members, or is used or appropriated for other than educational, charitable, or religious purposes, and provided further, that in each case such exemption is limited to \$150,000. Towns are hereby authorized to increase such exemption to such an amount as they may vote, by a majority of those present at any regular town meeting, acting under an article duly incorporated in the warrant for said meeting; and cities are authorized to increase such exemptions to such an amount as the city government may vote and the mayor approve.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 151.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO LICENSING FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES.

SECTION

1. Cancellation of license as measure of retaliation.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Whenever it shall appear to the insurance commissioner of this state that any insurance company chartered by the legislature of this state and authorized by such insurance commissioner in this state to engage in life, accident and health insurance business or any combination thereof, is refused permission to transact any such business or combination thereof within any state of the United States or within any foreign country by the provisions of any law of such state or country which may be enacted subsequent to the passage of this act, and which shall in terms prohibit or shall be construed in such manner as to prohibit such company from

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engaging in such business or any combination thereof after such company has complied with all other laws of such state or foreign country, then, and in every such case, the insurance commissioner may cancel the authority of or refuse a license to every company organized by charter or under the laws of such other state or foreign country to do any of the kinds of business above mentioned in this state, and may refuse a certificate of authority to every such company thereafter applying to him for authority to do any such business in this state, so long as such New Hampshire company shall be refused permission to transact any such business or combination thereof in such other state or foreign country.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 152.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2 OF CHAPTER 64, LAWS OF 1899, ENTITLED "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 14 OF CHAPTER 169 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO THE TAX ON FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES, AND PROVIDING RELIEF FOR INJURED OR DISABLED FIREMEN.

SECTION

1. Relief restricted to members of state association.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Relief restricted to members of state association.

SECTION 1. After the word "association" in the eleventh line of section 2 of said act, insert the words, and who is himself a member of said association, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. Two thousand dollars of the amount received as such tax shall annually be set apart by the state treasurer and kept distinct from all other funds, and shall be known as the firemen's relief fund. Such fund, in the month of May after its receipt, shall be paid over, upon the order of the governor, to the treasurer of the New Hampshire State Firemen's Association, as trustee, and shall be devoted to and paid out for the relief of any fireman injured or disabled in the discharge of his duty as fireman, who is a member in good standing in any regularly organized town or city fire company in this state belonging to said associa-

tion, and who is himself a member of said association, and for the relief of the dependent parents, widow or children of any such fireman whose death was occasioned by injuries received in the line of his duty as fireman.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 153.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE DEPOSIT OF PUBLIC FUNDS IN BANKS.

SECTION

- 1. City and county funds, deposit of.
- 2. Advertisement for bids.

SECTION

- 3. Repealing clause; act takes effect May 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. All public funds belonging to the several counties and cities in this state, not permanently invested, shall be deposited in such solvent bank or banks as will pay the highest rate of interest on daily average balances for each month. Deposit of city and county funds.

SECT. 2. The treasurers of the several counties and cities in this state shall call for bids for the public funds in their hands by publishing a notice calling for such bids in the two newspapers in this state which have the largest circulation in their respective counties, and by such other notice as they may choose, and the solvent bank or banks in their respective counties which will pay the largest rate of interest upon average daily balances for each month shall be the bank or banks in which said public funds shall be deposited. Advertisement for bids.

SECT. 3. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on the first day of May, 1915. Repealing clause; act takes effect May 1, 1915.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 154.

AN ACT CREATING THE OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

SECTION

- 1. Office created; duties defined.
- 2. Appointment, tenure, salary.

SECTION

- 3. Repealing clause; act takes effect May 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Office created; duties defined.

SECTION 1. All the duties now devolving upon the secretary of state with respect to the registration of motor vehicles, the licensing of professional chauffeurs and private operators, and the carrying out of all the provisions of the motor vehicle laws of this state, shall hereafter be performed by a commissioner of motor vehicles, under the supervision of the governor and council.

Appointment, tenure, salary.

SECT. 2. Said commissioner of motor vehicles shall be appointed by the governor with the advice of the council for a term of five years and until his successor is appointed and qualified. He shall be paid an annual salary of two thousand dollars in monthly instalments. He shall have a seal for use in preparing certified copies of papers and records pertaining to his office, the form of which shall be approved by the governor and council. The governor and council shall fix the amount of his bond, and the number and compensation of his agents and clerks, and shall assign suitable quarters in the state house for the department. All salaries and expenses of the department shall be paid out of the receipts of the department upon the warrant of the governor.

Repealing clause; act takes effect May 1, 1915.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect May 1, 1915.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 155.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 23 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 157 OF THE LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO SENATORIAL DISTRICTS.

SECTION

1. New senatorial districts created.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Chapter 23 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 157 of the Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out all after section 1 in said chapter and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Senatorial district number one contains Berlin, Dummer, Errol, Gorham, Milan, Randolph, Shelburne, Wentworth's Location, and the following unincorporated places: Gilmanton and Atkinson Academy Grant, Second College Grant, Dix's Grant, Millsfield, Cambridge, and Success. New districts created.

SECT. 3. Senatorial district number two contains Bethlehem, Carroll, Clarksville, Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton, Franconia, Jefferson, Lancaster, Northumberland, Pittsburg, Stark, Stewartstown, Stratford, Whitefield, and the following unincorporated places: Dixville, Erving's Grant, Odell, and Kilkenney.

SECT. 4. Senatorial district number three contains Bath, Benton, Campton, Easton, Haverhill, Holderness, Landaff, Littleton, Lincoln, Lisbon, Lyman, Monroe, Plymouth, Piermont, Thornton, and Woodstock.

SECT. 5. Senatorial district number four contains Albany, Bartlett, Brookfield, Chatham, Conway, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Hart's Location, Jackson, Livermore, Moultonborough, Madison, Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonboro, Wakefield, Waterville, Wolfeboro, and the following unincorporated places: Bean's Grant, Bean's Purchase, Chandler's Purchase, Crawford's Purchase, Martin's Location, Pinkham's Grant, Sargent's Purchase, Thompson and Meserve Purchase, and Hale's Location.

SECT. 6. Senatorial district number five contains Ashland, Alexandria, Bridgewater, Bristol, Canaan, Dorchester, Ellsworth, Enfield, Grafton, Groton, Hanover, Hebron, Lebanon, Lyme, New Hampton, Orange, Orford, Rumney, Warren, and Wentworth.

SECT. 7. Senatorial district number six contains Alton, Barnstead, Belmont, Center Harbor, Gilford, Gilmanton, Laconia, Meredith, and Sanbornton.

- No. 7. SECT. 8. Senatorial district number seven contains Andover, Boscawen, Wards one and two of Concord, Canterbury, Danbury, Franklin, Hill, New London, Northfield, Tilton, and Wilmot.
- No. 8. SECT. 9. Senatorial district number eight contains Acworth, Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish, Croydon, Grantham, Goshen, Langdon, Lempster, Newport, Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee, Unity, and Washington.
- No. 9. SECT. 10. Senatorial district number nine contains Antrim, Bradford, Wards three and seven of Concord, Deering, Frances-town, Henniker, Hillsborough, Hopkinton, Newbury, Salisbury, Sutton, Warner, Webster, and Windsor.
- No. 10. SECT. 11. Senatorial district number 10 contains Alstead, Ches-terfield, Gilsum, Keene, Marlow, Nelson, Roxbury, Stoddard, Sul-livan, Surry, Walpole, and Westmoreland.
- No. 11. SECT. 12. Senatorial district number eleven contains Benning-
ton, Dublin, Fitzwilliam, Hancock, Harrisville, Hinsdale, Jaffrey, Marlborough, Peterborough, Richmond, Rindge, Sharon, Swanzey, Troy, and Winchester.
- No. 12. SECT. 13. Senatorial district number twelve contains Amherst, Brookline, Greenfield, Greenville, Hollis, Lyndeborough, Mason, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, Wards one and two of Nashua, New Ipswich, Temple, and Wilton.
- No. 13. SECT. 14. Senatorial district number thirteen contains Wards three, four, five, six, seven, eight, and nine of Nashua.
- No. 14. SECT. 15. Senatorial district number fourteen contains Allens-
town, Bedford, Bow, Chichester, Dunbarton, Epsom, Goffstown, Hooksett, London, New Boston, Pembroke, Pittsfield, and Weare.
- No. 15. SECT. 16. Senatorial district number fifteen contains Wards four, five, six, eight, and nine of Concord.
- No. 16. SECT. 17. Senatorial district number sixteen contains Wards one, two, and nine of Manchester.
- No. 17. SECT. 18. Senatorial district number seventeen contains Wards three, four, and ten of Manchester.
- No. 18. SECT. 19. Senatorial district number eighteen contains Wards five, seven, eight, and eleven of Manchester.
- No. 19. SECT. 20. Senatorial district number nineteen contains Wards twelve and thirteen of Manchester.
- No. 20. SECT. 21. Senatorial district number twenty contains Farming-
ton, Middleton, Milton, New Durham, Rochester, Somersworth, and Strafford.
- No. 21. SECT. 22. Senatorial district number twenty-one contains Bar-
rington, Dover, Durham, Lee, Madbury, and Rollinsford.
- No. 22. SECT. 23. Senatorial district number twenty-two contains Au-
burn, Candia, Chester, Deerfield, Derry, Hudson, Litchfield, Lon-
donderry, Ward six of Manchester, Northwood, Nottingham, Pel-
ham, Raymond, Salem, and Windham.

SECT. 24. Senatorial district number twenty-three contains At- No. 23. kinson, Brentwood, Danville, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter, Fremont, Hampstead, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, Kingston, Newfields, Newton, North Hampton, Plaistow, Sandown, Seabrook, and South Hampton.

SECT. 25. Senatorial district number twenty-four contains No. 24. Greenland, Newcastle, Newington, Newmarket, Portsmouth, Rye, and Stratham.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage; *provided, however,* that nothing in this act shall be construed to affect the present incumbents in office.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 156.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN EMPLOYMENT BUREAU FOR TEACHERS.

SECTION

- 1. Application, what to contain.
- 2. Information, who entitled to.
- 3. Expense, how defrayed.

SECTION

- 4. Acceptance of fees, etc., prohibited.
- 5. Penalty for violations.
- 6. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Any person may file in the office of the superintendent of public instruction an application for the position of teacher in the public schools of the state, and when accompanied by a fee of two dollars, together with such evidence of character, qualifications, education, and experience as the superintendent shall require, the said application shall be registered and the said person shall be entitled to the benefits of this act; *provided, however,* that such person shall furnish the said superintendent from time to time such material information as he shall require, and failure to do so for the period of one year shall operate as a cancellation of registration.

Application, what to contain.

SECT. 2. Any properly authorized officer or board in the state may apply to the superintendent of public instruction for information concerning teachers registered as provided in section 1, and upon request of such officer or board the superintendent shall recommend teachers for employment as they shall appear to be fit and qualified.

Information, who entitled to.

Expense, how
defrayed.

SECT. 3. The costs of carrying out the provisions of this act shall be paid from the fees collected as provided in section 1, and any balance remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be held to defray expenses incurred in subsequent years. The superintendent of public instruction shall report annually to the governor the receipts and expenditures under the provisions of this act and shall be held accountable therefor.

Acceptance of
commission, etc.,
prohibited.

SECT. 4. It shall be unlawful for a superintendent of schools in any city or town, or in any district composed of two or more towns, to accept any commission, fee, compensation, or reward of any kind for obtaining a position as teacher in the public schools for any person.

Penalty.

SECT. 5. Any violation of this act shall be punished by fine of not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars.

Takes effect on
passage.

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

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 157.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1, CHAPTER 251, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 1, CHAPTER 87, LAWS OF 1901, RELATING TO SEARCH WARRANTS.

SECTION

1. Search warrant for cocaine, etc.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Search warrant
for cocaine, etc.

SECTION 1. Amend section 1, chapter 251, of the Public Statutes, as amended by section 1, chapter 87, Laws of 1901, by adding after division VII, of said section a division to be known as division VIII and the following words: Cocaine or any of its salts, or any synthetic substitute for the aforesaid, or any preparation containing any of the same, morphine, heroin, codeine, or any derivatives of the same, kept for any purpose forbidden by law; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. A justice or police court may issue a warrant for searching any place therein described, in the daytime, upon complaint, under oath, that it is believed that a person liable to arrest for a crime is concealed therein, or that gambling is carried on therein, or that any property or thing of any of the following kinds is kept concealed therein:

I. Property believed to have been stolen, embezzled, or fraudulently obtained.

II. False, forged, or counterfeited bank bills, notes, or coins; worthless and uncurrent bank bills or notes; materials, plates, dies, tools, instruments, or implements designed for forging or making false and counterfeit notes, bills, or coins.

III. Gambling implements, burglars' tools, and the like.

IV. Spirituous or intoxicating liquors or casks, bottles, measures, or other things adapted for the illegal keeping or sale of such liquors.

V. Gunpowder or other explosives in a quantity or manner forbidden by law.

VI. The subject-matter of any offense not herein specially mentioned.

VII. Oleomargarine, butterine, or any oleaginous substance not produced from pure unadulterated milk or cream of the same, which is in imitation of yellow butter.

VIII. Cocaine or any of its salts, or any synthetic substitute for the aforesaid, or any preparation containing any of the same, morphine, heroin, codeine, or any derivatives of the same, kept for any purpose forbidden by law.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 158.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE TERMS OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

SECTION

1. When and where held.
2. Adjournment to other places in county.

SECTION

3. Jurors, how summoned.
4. Takes effect July 1, 1915.
5. Repealing clause; Derry trials saved.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Trial terms of the superior court shall be holden When and where held. annually, at the times and places following:

For the county of Rockingham: At Exeter, on the second Tues- Rockingham. day of January and the third Tuesday of May; at Portsmouth, on the third Tuesday of October.

For the county of Strafford: At Dover, on the first Tuesday of Strafford. February and the first Tuesday of September.

- Belknap. For the county of Belknap: At Laconia, on the third Tuesday of March and the third Tuesday of October.
- Carroll. For the county of Carroll: At Ossipee, on the fourth Tuesday of May and the first Tuesday of December.
- Merrimack. For the county of Merrimack: At Concord, on the first Tuesday of April and the first Tuesday of October.
- Hillsborough. For the county of Hillsborough: At Manchester, on the first Tuesday of January and the first Tuesday of May; at Nashua, on the third Tuesday of September.
- Cheshire. For the county of Cheshire: At Keene, on the second Tuesday of April and the second Tuesday of October.
- Sullivan. For the county of Sullivan: At Newport, on the second Tuesday of May and the second Tuesday of November.
- Grafton. For the county of Grafton: At Lebanon, on the first Tuesday of January; at Plymouth, on the second Tuesday of May; at Woodsville, in the town of Haverhill, on the second Tuesday of September.
- Coos. For the county of Coos: At Lancaster, on the first Tuesday of April; at Colebrook, on the first Tuesday of September; at Berlin, on the first Tuesday of December.

Adjournments to other places in county.

SECT. 2. In counties having more than one place for holding trial terms, the court may, for the convenience of parties, adjourn its sitting to any other of the places in such county designated for holding trial terms; and when such adjournment involves transferring the jury, jurors so transferred shall be entitled to such extra mileage as may be reasonable, to be determined by the presiding justice. The clerk of court and the sheriff and his deputies, in attendance, shall upon such adjournment be allowed such extra compensation as may be reasonable, to be determined by the presiding justice.

Jurors, how summoned.

SECT. 3. Grand jurors shall be summoned for attendance at each of the terms provided for by this act; and both petit and grand jurors shall be summoned from the body of the county.

Takes effect July 1, 1915.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 1915; but all writs and process issued to be entered at any of the terms herein provided for may be made returnable thereto, though issued prior to said first day of July.

Repealing clause; Derry trials saved.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, including chapter 28 of the Laws of 1907; but nothing herein contained shall repeal the provisions of chapter 77 of the Laws of 1905, providing for hearing certain cases at Derry in Rockingham county.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 159.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 82, LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF POLL TAXES, AND IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTERS 55 AND 59 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES," AND OF SECTIONS 8 AND 9, CHAPTER 60, OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES.

SECTION

- 1. Commitment of poll-tax delinquent.
- 2. Earnings during confinement, how applied.

SECTION

- 3. Copy of warrant, what to contain.
- 4. Repealing clause.
- 5. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 5, chapter 82, Laws of 1913, by striking out the words "common jail" in the last line of said section and inserting in place thereof the words, house of correction, so that said section shall read: SECT. 5. For want of goods and chattels whereon to make distress, the collector may take the body, wherever in this state found, of any person neglecting or refusing to pay the tax assessed against him, and commit him to the house of correction.

Commitment for non-payment of poll-tax.

SECT. 2. Amend section 8, chapter 60, of the Public Statutes, by adding after the words "common jail" the following: or house of correction, and when any person is so committed to any jail or house of correction where there is a workshop connected, he shall be credited for his labor therein at the rate of fifty cents per day, to be applied on the amount of his tax and costs of commitment; *provided, however*, that he shall be required to pay to the jailer or keeper of the institution in which he is so confined board at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per week, the same to be earned in the employ of said institution; and *provided, further*, that the net amount so earned by any person so committed shall be refunded by the county to the town from which such person is committed; so that said section shall read: SECT. 8. For want of goods and chattels whereon to make distress, the collector may take the body of any person neglecting or refusing to pay the tax assessed against him, and commit him to the county jail or house of correction, and when any person is so committed to any jail or house of correction where there is a workshop connected, he shall be credited for his labor therein at the rate of fifty cents per day, to be applied on the amount of his tax and costs of commitment; *provided, however*, that he shall be required to pay the jailer or keeper of the institution in which he is so confined board at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per week, the same to be earned in the employ of said institution; and *provided, further*, that the net amount so earned by

Earnings during confinement, how applied.

any person so committed shall be refunded by the county to the town from which such person is committed.

Copy of warrant,
what to contain.

SECT. 3. Amend section 9, chapter 60, of the Public Statutes, by inserting the words, "or keeper," after the word "jailer" in the first and fifth lines, and by adding at the end thereof the words, "*provided, however,* that such attested copy of his warrant shall not include the list of taxes directed to him for collection," so that said section shall read: SECT. 9. In such case the collector shall give to the jailer or keeper an attested copy of his warrant, and thereupon certify the sums such person is taxed in his list, and that he has taken his body for want of goods and chattels whereon to make distress, and the jailer or keeper shall receive and detain such person in his custody until he pays such tax, cost of commitment, and charges of imprisonment, or until he is otherwise discharged by due course of law; *provided, however,* that such attested copy of his warrant shall not include the list of taxes directed to him for collection.

Repealing clause.

SECT. 4. An act approved April 7, 1915, entitled "An act in amendment of section 5, chapter 82, Laws of 1913, entitled 'An act for the assessment and collection of poll taxes, and in amendment of chapters 55 and 59 of the Public Statutes,' and of sections 8 and 9, chapter 60, of the Public Statutes," is hereby repealed.

Takes effect on
passage.

SECT. 9. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 160.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2, CHAPTER 162, LAWS OF 1909,
AS AMENDED BY SECTION 1, CHAPTER 7, LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO
THE SALE OF MORPHINE, HEROIN, CODEINE, AND COCAINE.

SECTION

1. Sale in pool-room, news stand, etc.,
prohibited.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

Sale in pool-room,
news stand, etc.,
prohibited.

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 162, Laws of 1909, as amended by section 1 of chapter 7, Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "bar-room" in the fifth line the words, pool-room, news stand, or other places to which persons are

permitted generally to resort, and by inserting after the word "same" in the eighth line the words, morphine, heroin, codeine, or any derivatives of the same; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to sell, exchange, deliver, expose for sale, give away, or have in his possession or custody with intent to sell, exchange, deliver, or give away, in any street, way, square, park, or other public place, or in any hotel, restaurant, liquor saloon, bar-room, pool-room, news stand, or other places to which persons are permitted generally to resort, public hall, place of amusement, or public building, any cocaine or any of its salts, or any synthetic substitute for the aforesaid, or any preparation containing any of the same, morphine, heroin, codeine, or any derivatives of the same; *provided, however*, that the foregoing provisions shall not apply to sales to apothecaries, druggists, physicians, veterinaries, and dentists, nor to sales by apothecaries or druggists upon the original prescription of a physician, provided the prescription is retained and kept on file as authority for the sale and not refilled.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 161.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE MARRIAGE OF MENTAL DEFECTIVES.

SECTION

1. Marriage of defectives restricted.
2. Performance of ceremony prohibited.
3. Issuance of licenses regulated.

SECTION

4. Penalties for violations.
5. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. No woman under the age of forty-five years, or man of any age,—except he marry a woman over the age of forty-five years,—either of whom is an epileptic, imbecile, feeble-minded, idiot, or insane person, shall hereafter intermarry or marry any other person within this state.

Marriages restricted.

SECT. 2. No clergyman, or other officer authorized by law to solemnize marriages within this state, shall hereafter perform a marriage ceremony uniting persons in marriage, either of whom is an epileptic, imbecile, feeble-minded, idiot, or an insane person,

Ceremony prohibited.

unless the female party to such marriage is over the age of forty-five years.

Issuance of
licenses regulated.

SECT. 3. No city clerk or other authorized officer shall issue a license for the marriage of an epileptic, imbecile, feeble-minded, idiot, or insane person, unless the female party to such marriage is over the age of forty-five years. Should any question arise as to whether or not applicant for license to marry is epileptic, imbecile, feeble-minded, idiot, or an insane person, each of the contracting parties shall procure an affidavit from one duly licensed physician, other than the person seeking the license, showing that the contracting parties are not epileptics, imbeciles, feeble-minded, idiots, or insane persons.

Penalties.

SECT. 4. Any person who knowingly violates any of the provisions of this act, or any person knowingly swearing falsely to any of the affidavits mentioned in this act, shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars or more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in jail not over thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Takes effect on
passage.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 162.

AN ACT RELATING TO TRUST FUNDS HELD BY TOWNS AND CITIES.

SECTION

1. Funds may be held for certain uses.
2. Trustees, how and when chosen.
3. Duties of trustees.
4. To serve without pay.
5. To give bond.

SECTION

6. To receive certain funds.
7. Bank deposits and notes.
8. Prior acts repealed.
9. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Funds may be
held for certain
uses.

SECTION 1. Cities and towns may receive any trust property by deed, gift, or devise for the following uses: For schools and other educational purposes; for the building of roads, bridges, and side-walks, and the care of the same; for supplying any place with water, street lights, building sewers; for the building and support of hospitals; for the support and aid of the poor; for the building and support of public buildings, except churches; for the care of cemeteries and lots therein; for libraries and the care of the same,

reading rooms, parks, and shade and ornamental trees along highways and other public places.

SECT. 2. All such gifts shall be administered by a board of ^{Trustees, how and when chosen.} three trustees, for the purposes for which they were given. Said trustees shall be elected by ballot at the annual town meetings in March, 1916, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and annually thereafter one shall be elected for three years. Vacancies shall be filled by the selectmen of towns and by city councils, whenever one occurs, for the remainder of the term. In cities said board of trustees shall be chosen and hold their office for a like term as shall be provided for by city ordinance, and all cities shall upon the passage of this act elect a board of trustees. Said trustees in towns shall be elected under a proper article in the warrant and upon a separate ballot.

SECT. 3. Said board of trustees shall have the custody of all ^{Duties of trustees.} trust funds held by their respective town or city, including all trust funds held at the date of the passage of this act and hereafter received. Said funds shall be invested only by deposit in some savings bank in this state, or in state, county, town, city, and school district bonds and the notes of towns or cities in this state, and when so invested said trustees shall not be liable for the loss thereof. Such funds or the income thereof shall be expended only upon the joint action of the full board. The accounts of said board of trustees shall annually be audited by the auditor of the town or city, and the securities shall be exhibited to said auditor and he shall certify to the town or city the facts found by his audit and the list of all securities held, which report shall be printed in the annual report of each town or city. Said board of trustees shall annually submit to said auditor a detailed statement of the securities held by them and the particular trust to which they belong, and exhibit to him a statement of all receipts and expenditures with proper vouchers, which report of said trustees shall be printed in the annual report of each town and city. Said trustees shall keep a record of all trusts in a record book, which shall be open to the inspection of all persons in their respective town or city.

SECT. 4. Said trustees shall serve without pay, all of their acts ^{To serve without pay.} being performed for charity; but their actual expenses shall be paid by the town or city.

SECT. 5. Said trustees shall give a bond in such sum as the ^{To give bond.} town or city shall direct, but the expense thereof shall be paid for by the town or city. The expenses of said trustees and the expense of their bond shall be charged as incidentals.

SECT. 6. All towns and cities which have adopted the provisions of chapter 40, Laws of 1899, or acted under chapter 83, Laws ^{To receive certain funds.}

of 1901, shall upon the passage of this act and the election of said board of trustees immediately pay over to said board the full amount of the trust funds which have been used by it under said law, or deliver to said board of trustees the note of the town or city for the same, bearing interest at the rate of three and one half per cent. per annum, said notes to be signed by the selectmen of the town and countersigned by its treasurer, and in cities by the proper authorized person. Said towns shall annually raise by taxation a sum sufficient to pay said interest on said notes until such time as said notes shall be paid. The statute of limitations shall not apply to any of said notes. There shall be delivered by each town and city a detailed statement to said board of trustees showing to what trust said funds represented by such notes belong and the proper uses thereof.

Bank deposits and notes.

SECT. 7. All deposits in savings banks shall be made in the name of the city or town which holds the same in trust, and it shall appear upon the book thereof that the same is a trust fund. Notes of the town or city shall be made payable to "The trustees of trust funds for the town or city of....."

Prior acts repealed.

SECT. 8. Chapter 83, Laws of 1901, and chapter 40, Laws of 1899 are hereby repealed.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 9. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 163.

AN ACT FOR THE REFORESTATION OF WASTE AND CUT-OVER LAND.

SECTION

1. Promulgation of offers.
2. Land deeded to state, how treated.
3. Free planting plans and trees.

SECTION

4. Annual appropriation of \$2,500.
5. Takes effect September 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Promulgation of offers.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of reforesting waste and cut-over land, the forestry commission is hereby instructed and authorized to promulgate throughout the state the offers made by section 2 of this act.

SECT. 2. Whenever any person or persons shall deed to the state any tract of land adapted for forest growth, so that no cost of purchase shall accrue to the state, the forestry commission is authorized to accept and hold such tracts in the name of the state, and to reforest, protect, and manage them subject to the limitations of this section. The donors of such land, or their heirs and assigns, shall have the right, within ten years from the date of conveyance, to purchase it from the state at the cost of improvements with interest at four per cent. per annum, and the secretary of state shall, upon the recommendation of the forestry commission, convey such land to said donor or donors. If the donor, or his heirs or assigns, shall not acquire the land within ten years from the date of conveyance, such land may be sold, or the wood and timber thereon may be sold, by the forestry commission, with the approval of the governor and council; *provided*, that such sale shall be advertised and awarded to the highest bidder, and the state may reject any such bids. The state shall not be required to reforest more than twenty-five acres of any tract acquired under this act in any one year. Any forest fire on such tracts shall be extinguished as provided in chapter 128, Laws of 1909, and amendments thereto. All revenue from the sale of such tracts, or of the wood and timber thereon, shall revert to the state treasury. Not more than twenty-five acres of land shall be reforested by the state for any one person, firm, or corporation, nor shall the state accept a deed from any person, firm, or corporation that is, on the date of such proposed conveyance, the owner of any lands which shall have been reforested by the state.

Land deeded to state, how treated.

SECT. 3. The state forester, under the direction of the commission, may execute free of charge to counties, municipalities, and public institutions owning land suitable for reforestation, a planting plan for the reforestation of such land, and may furnish trees free of charge, arrange for and supervise the planting of such land and any other land suitable for reforestation owned or acquired by the state: *provided*, that in the case of land owned by counties or municipalities, the said counties or municipalities shall pay the cost of planting the trees furnished by the state, shall protect and care for them as recommended by the state forester, and, when required, shall furnish the state forester with information as to the condition and growth of the trees.

Planting plans and trees, when furnished.

SECT. 4. The sum of twenty-five hundred dollars each year is hereby appropriated for carrying into effect the purposes of this act for the years ending August 31, 1916, and August 31, 1917.

Annual appropriation of \$2,500.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect on September 1, 1915.

Takes effect September 1, 1915.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 164.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 156 OF THE LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED "AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOURS OF LABOR FOR WOMEN."

SECTION

1. Hours of labor established.
2. Application limited and defined.

SECTION

3. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Hours of labor established.

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 156, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "minor" in the first line of said section the words, under eighteen years of age; by striking out the words, "one night" and inserting in place thereof the words, two nights; and by adding at the end of said section the words, and provided further, that in mercantile establishments one hour and one quarter at least for dinner and, on days when she shall be employed after eight o'clock p. m., one hour and one quarter at least for supper be so allowed each female; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. No female and no minor under eighteen years of age shall be employed or be permitted to work in any manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, laundry or restaurant, or confectionary store, or by any express or transportation company, in this state, more than ten and one quarter hours during any one day or more than fifty-five hours in any one week. The hours may be so arranged as to permit the employment of females at any time, but they shall not work more than ten and one quarter hours during the twenty-four hours of any one day, nor more than fifty-five hours during one week. If, however, any part of a female's daily employment is performed between the hours of eight o'clock p. m. and six o'clock a. m. of the following day, all the employment shall be considered night work, and no such female so employed at night work shall be employed or permitted to work thereat more than eight hours in any twenty-four hours, nor more than forty-eight hours during the week. If any such female is employed not more than two nights in the week (after eight o'clock as herein provided), then such female may be permitted to work fifty-five hours in any such week. *Provided*, that at least one hour for dinner be allowed each female during her working period, but no part of such hour shall be considered as a part of the permitted period of daily employment; and *provided further*, that in mercantile establishments one hour and one quarter at least for dinner and, on days when she shall be employed after eight o'clock p. m.,

one hour and one quarter at least for supper be so allowed each female.

SECT. 2. The provisions of section 1, chapter 156, Laws of 1913, as amended by this act, shall not apply to the mercantile establishments of the state for the period of seven days immediately preceding Christmas day in each year; but the total number of hours of labor for any regular female employee or minor under eighteen years of age shall not exceed fifty-five hours per week for the full year. In the case of time lost through accident in any manufacturing establishment, sufficient time outside the regular daily working hours may be worked by any female or minor under eighteen years of age to make up the time lost through such accident, provided the hours of actual labor shall not exceed ten and one fourth hours in any one day.

Application of act limited and defined.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 165.

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE EFFICIENCY OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE STATE BY GRANTING PENSIONS TO RETIRED TEACHERS OF LONG SERVICE.

SECTION

1. Female teachers pensioned, when.
2. Male teachers pensioned, when.
3. Only certified teachers eligible.
4. Proportional pension, when.
5. If retirement is for disability.
6. Period of service, how computed.

SECTION

7. Rules and regulations.
8. Investigations; payments, how made.
9. Termination of pensions.
10. Exemption from attachment, etc.
11. Appropriation of \$10,000.
12. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Any woman who, being on the first day of September, 1915, or thereafter, of the age of fifty-five years, and who for thirty years shall have been employed as a teacher in the public schools of this or some other state, or in such other schools in this or some other state as are supported wholly or in part by state or town or school district appropriation and are under public management and control, fifteen years of which employment, including the ten years preceding her ceasing to teach, shall have been in some

Female teachers pensioned, when.

of the before-mentioned schools of this state, and who shall have been retired, or shall voluntarily have retired, from active service, shall, upon her formal application directed to the state superintendent of public instruction, and upon the certification by the said superintendent to the governor and council as hereinafter provided, receive from the state for the year ending August 31, 1916, or for such part of said year as she may be so retired, a pension at the rate for the full year of fifty per cent. of the average annual salary of such teacher for the five years last preceding her ceasing to teach. In figuring such average, deductions from the teacher's pay for absence or other cause during said five years' period shall be considered as a part of the teacher's salary.

Male teachers pensioned, when.

SECT. 2. Retired male teachers shall receive pensions upon the same terms as those set forth for women in this act; *provided, however*, that any man, to be entitled to receive the full pension, must be of the age of sixty years and must have taught thirty-five years.

Only certified teachers eligible.

SECT. 3. No person shall receive a pension under the terms of this act unless such person shall, at the time of application for such pension, hold a state teacher's certificate or a service certificate issued under the authority of chapter 49, Laws of 1895, and amendments thereto, or a similar certificate issued by the chief educational officer of another state or country having standards of certification equivalent to those of this state; *provided*, that this limitation as to certification shall not apply to teachers who have permanently ceased to teach before the passage of this act.

Proportional pension for partial service.

SECT. 4. Any retired teacher of the required age who shall be before ceasing to teach have taught fifteen years in this state, including ten years immediately preceding such ceasing to teach, but shall not have taught in all for thirty-five years in the case of a man, or thirty years in the case of a woman, shall be entitled to such proportion of the full pension herein provided as the actual total number of years taught bears to thirty-five in the case of a man, or to thirty in the case of a woman.

If retirement is for disability.

SECT. 5. Any teacher forced to retire because of physical or mental disability before reaching the age of sixty, if a man, or of fifty-five, if a woman, shall, if otherwise entitled to a pension under the provisions of this act, receive a pension based upon the proportion of the full pension which the total number of years taught, plus the number of years of enforced retirement, bears to thirty-five, in the case of a man, or to thirty, in the case of a woman, not exceeding, however, the full pension.

Period of service, how computed.

SECT. 6. In computing the number of years of actual service of any teacher before retirement, no deduction shall be made for leaves of absence during sickness or disability, provided after such sickness or disability the teacher resumed teaching; but deduction shall

be made for time the teacher is engaged in some other gainful occupation.

SECT. 7. The state superintendent of public instruction shall, on or before the first day of August, 1915, subject to the approval of the governor and council, formulate rules and regulations for carrying into effect the provisions of this act, and shall give such publication to the same as he may deem desirable. But the unsupported statement of the applicant for a pension, whether sworn or unsworn, shall not be considered as proof of any fact necessary to determine the eligibility of the applicant to receive such pension.

Rules and regulations.

SECT. 8. The state superintendent of public instruction shall investigate all applications received for a pension under the provisions of this act, and shall, on or before the thirtieth day of November, 1915, and quarterly thereafter, certify to the governor and council the names of the persons who are entitled to pensions under the provisions of this act, and the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall draw warrants on the state treasurer for payment of the pensions in favor of said persons. Such payments shall be made in quarterly instalments. In case one quarter of the appropriation herein made, less expense of administration, shall be insufficient to pay the quarterly instalments of all of the persons certified to the governor and council as entitled thereto, the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall draw warrants to the amount of only one quarter of the appropriation, less expenses of administration, preference being given to those certified as entitled in the order of their age.

Investigations; payments, how made.

SECT. 9. Every pension shall terminate upon the death of the recipient, and the proportional part of the pension due at the time of such death shall be paid to the legal representative of the deceased.

Termination.

SECT. 10. All pensions granted or payable under the provisions of this act shall be and are hereby made exempt from levy upon execution and from attachment upon trustee process.

Exemption.

SECT. 11. The sum of ten thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1916, to carry out the provisions of this act.

Appropriation of \$10,000.

SECT. 12. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 166.

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE EFFICIENCY OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE STATE BY GRANTING PENSIONS TO RETIRED TEACHERS OF LONG SERVICE.

SECTION

- 1. Female teachers pensioned, when.
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- 3. Only certified teachers eligible.
- 4. Proportional pension, when.
- 5. If retirement is for disability.
- 6. Period of service, how computed.

SECTION

- 7. Rules and regulations.
- 8. Investigations; payments, how made.
- 9. Termination of pensions.
- 10. Exemption from attachment, etc.
- 11. Appropriation of \$10,000.
- 12. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Female teachers pensioned, when.

SECTION 1. Any woman who, being on the first day of September, 1915, or thereafter, of the age of fifty-five years, and who for thirty years shall have been employed as a teacher in the public schools of this or some other state, or in such other schools in this or some other state as are supported wholly or in part by state or town or school district appropriation and are under public management and control, fifteen years of which employment, including the ten years preceding her ceasing to teach, shall have been in some of the before-mentioned schools of this state, and who shall have been retired, or shall voluntarily have retired, from active service, shall, upon her formal application directed to the state superintendent of public instruction, and upon the certification by the said superintendent to the governor and council as hereinafter provided, receive from the state for the year ending August 31, 1917, or for such part of said year as she may be so retired, a pension at the rate for the full year of fifty per cent. of the average annual salary of such teacher for the five years last preceding her ceasing to teach. In figuring such average, deductions from the teacher's pay for absence or other cause during said five years' period shall be considered as a part of the teacher's salary.

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Only certified teachers eligible.

SECT. 3. No person shall receive a pension under the terms of this act unless such person shall, at the time of application for such pension, hold a state teacher's certificate or a service certificate issued under the authority of chapter 49, Laws of 1895, and amendments thereto, or a similar certificate issued by the chief educational officer of another state or country having standards of certification equivalent to those of this state; *provided,* that this limitation as

to certification shall not apply to teachers who have permanently ceased to teach before the passage of this act.

SECT. 4. Any retired teacher of the required age who shall before ceasing to teach have taught fifteen years in this state, including ten years immediately preceding such ceasing to teach, but shall not have taught in all for thirty-five years in the case of a man, or thirty years in the case of a woman, shall be entitled to such proportion of the full pension herein provided as the actual total number of years taught bears to thirty-five in the case of a man, or to thirty in the case of a woman.

Proportional pension for partial service.

SECT. 5. Any teacher forced to retire because of physical or mental disability before reaching the age of sixty, if a man, or of fifty-five, if a woman, shall, if otherwise entitled to a pension under the provisions of this act, receive a pension based upon the proportion of the full pension which the total number of years taught, plus the number of years of enforced retirement, bears to thirty-five, in the case of a man, or to thirty, in the case of a woman, not exceeding, however, the full pension.

If retirement is for disability.

SECT. 6. In computing the number of years of actual service of any teacher before retirement, no deduction shall be made for leaves of absence during sickness or disability, provided after such sickness or disability the teacher resumed teaching; but deduction shall be made for time the teacher is engaged in some other gainful occupation.

Period of service, how computed.

SECT. 7. The state superintendent of public instruction shall, on or before the first day of August, 1916, subject to the approval of the governor and council, formulate rules and regulations for carrying into effect the provisions of this act, and shall give such publication to the same as he may deem desirable. But the unsupported statement of the applicant for a pension, whether sworn or unsworn, shall not be considered as proof of any fact necessary to determine the eligibility of the applicant to receive such pension.

Rules and regulations.

SECT. 8. The state superintendent of public instruction shall investigate all applications received for a pension under the provisions of this act, and shall, on or before the thirtieth day of November, 1916, and quarterly thereafter, certify to the governor and council the names of the persons who are entitled to pensions under the provisions of this act, and the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall draw warrants on the state treasurer for payment of the pensions in favor of said persons. Said payments shall be made in quarterly instalments. In case one quarter of the appropriation herein made, less expense of administration, shall be insufficient to pay the quarterly instalments of all of the persons certified to the governor and council as entitled thereto, the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall draw warrants to the amount of only one quarter of the ap-

Investigations; payments, how made.

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Termination.

SECT. 9. Every pension shall terminate upon the death of the recipient, and the proportional part of the pension due at the time of such death shall be paid to the legal representative of the deceased.

Exemption.

SECT. 10. All pensions granted or payable under the provisions of this act shall be and are hereby made exempt from levy upon execution and from attachment upon trustee process.

Annual appropriation of \$10,000.

SECT. 11. The sum of ten thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1917, to carry out the provisions of this act. Any balance remaining in the treasury at the close of business on August 31, 1916, from the appropriation carried by the act providing for teachers' pensions for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1916, is hereby reappropriated for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 12. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 167.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE.

SECTION

1. Practitioners, who are.
2. Board of examiners created.
3. Qualifications; terms of office.
4. How appointed and removed.
5. Meetings and organization.
6. Examinations, when held.
7. Examination fee; qualifications of applicants.
8. Subjects of examination.
9. Questions, how prepared.
10. Issuance of licenses.
11. Additional examinations.
12. Applicants from other states.

SECTION

13. Revocation of licenses.
14. Compensation of board.
15. Records and report.
16. Illegal practice, how punished.
17. Application of act limited.
18. Practitioners already licensed excepted.
19. Osteopathy, practice regulated.
20. Further examination of osteopaths.
21. Existing records, disposal of.
22. Complaints and prosecutions.
23. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Practitioners, who are.

SECTION 1. Any person shall be regarded as practicing medicine under the meaning of this act who shall operate on, prescribe for, or otherwise treat any human ailment, physical or mental.

Board of examiners created.

SECT. 2. There shall be a board of examiners consisting of five persons, qualified as provided in the following section, whose duty

it shall be to examine, register, and license applicants whom they find to be twenty-one years of age or over, of good moral character, and qualified as herein provided to practice medicine. They shall perform such other duties for the state as are assigned to them by this act.

SECT. 3. The members of said board shall be residents of the state, shall have been regularly licensed to practice medicine under the existing laws in this state, and shall have been actively engaged in the practice of their profession within the state for at least five years. The first appointments to the board shall be so made that the term of office of one member shall expire at the end of each successive year from and after the date when this act takes effect. Subsequent appointments, except to fill vacancies, shall be for the term of five years, and appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term of the member retiring. Appointees shall hold office until their successors are appointed and qualified.

Qualifications;
terms of office.

SECT. 4. Said board shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, not later than sixty days after the passage of this act. The governor and council may remove any member of the board for misconduct, incapacity, neglect of duty, or other sufficient cause.

How appointed
and removed.

SECT. 5. The members of the board before entering upon their duties shall take the oath of office prescribed for public officers and file certificates thereof with the secretary of state. Their first meeting shall be called by the member having the longest term of office, by mailing a notice of the meeting to each member at least fifteen days before such meeting. Meetings shall be held annually thereafter and as much oftener as the business requires. At the first and each annual meeting a president and secretary shall be chosen from the membership of the board, whose duties respectively shall be those usually pertaining to such offices. A true record of all their official acts shall be made and preserved by the secretary. Three members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Meetings and
organization.

SECT. 6. Examinations shall be held in Concord at least twice a year for the accommodation of persons desiring to enter the practice of medicine in this state. The examinations shall take place under the supervision of the secretary of the board and shall be given in the English language, but shall otherwise be conducted according to such rules as the board shall prescribe.

Examinations,
when held.

SECT. 7. The board shall admit to examination any applicant who pays a fee of twenty dollars and submits satisfactory evidence in writing, verified by oath if required, that he

Examination fee;
qualifications of
applicants.

- (1) Is more than twenty-one years of age.
- (2) Is of good moral character.

(3) Has satisfactorily completed a full course in a registered academy or high school, if application is made prior to 1919. Graduates of medicine before 1915 shall be registered on passing the herein prescribed examination. Applicants in 1919 and thereafter must have completed satisfactorily two years' work in a registered college, or must have a preliminary education considered and accepted by the board as fully equivalent.

(4) Has studied the treatment of human ailments not less than four school years of not less than nine months each, in a medical school registered as maintaining at that time a standard satisfactory to the board, and has graduated from such school.

Subjects.

SECT. 8. For each examination the board shall seasonably prepare suitable questions for thoroughly testing the knowledge of the applicants in the following subjects: (1) Anatomy; (2) physiology; (3) hygiene and preventive medicine; (4) practice of surgery and clinical medicine; (5) obstetrics and gynecology; (6) pathology and bacteriology; (7) chemistry and toxicology.

Questions.

SECT. 9. The board shall cause the questions to be printed where necessary, and shall submit them to the applicants and receive their answers according to rules prescribed by the board.

Issuance of licenses.

SECT. 10. The board shall decide as to the qualifications of the several applicants as soon as possible after the examinations, and shall issue to each successful candidate a license signed by the president and secretary of the board, setting forth the fact that the licensee is authorized to engage in the practice of medicine. The licenses shall be numbered and recorded in a book provided for the purpose.

Additional examinations.

SECT. 11. Applicants who fail in satisfying the board of their qualifications at their first examination may take one subsequent examination without additional fee; but they shall pay a fee of twenty dollars for each subsequent examination after the second.

Applicants from other states.

SECT. 12. The board may register and license any applicant therefor who is legally qualified to treat human ailments or practice medicine in any state or dependency whose requirements the board deems equal to those in New Hampshire, upon a payment of a fee of twenty dollars.

Revocation of licenses.

SECT. 13. The board may revoke the license of any licensee who has obtained it by false or fraudulent means, or who has been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment in the state prison, or whose moral character or personal habits have become or are such as to unfit him for the practice of medicine; *provided*, that before so doing they shall give the licensee an opportunity to be heard by giving him reasonable notice of the proceeding, the cause alleged against him, and the time and place of the hearing thereon. They shall notify the licensee thereof, and if the decision upon the charges be against the licensee, the board shall revoke his license.

SECT. 14. The board shall be self-supporting. Members shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in connection with the work of the board, and the secretary shall receive for his services such compensation as the whole board shall determine. The board shall keep a full and true record of all fees received and all sums actually paid for expenses, and at the end of each year shall account to the governor and council.

Compensation of board.

SECT. 15. The records of the board shall be deemed to be public records and shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times. The board shall make a report to the governor and council thirty days before each biennial session of the legislature, giving the names of all persons registered under this act and preceding acts of the legislature, who are supposed to be living, specifying which ones have been registered and licensed since the next preceding report, and also giving the names of licensees whose licenses have been revoked since the last report. They shall also report in detail as to the money received and paid out by the board during the preceding two years.

Records and report.

SECT. 16. Whoever, not being registered and licensed according to the law of this state, shall advertise himself as practicing medicine, or practice medicine, according to the meaning of this act, or in any way hold himself out as qualified so to do, or whoever does any of said acts after receiving notice that his license has been revoked, shall be punished for the first offense by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding three months, and for any subsequent offense by a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both.

Illegal practice, how punished.

SECT. 17. This act shall not be construed to affect anyone while actually serving on the resident medical staff of any legally incorporated hospital; or any legally qualified physicians in other states or countries meeting regularly registered physicians in this state in consultation; or any physician residing on the border of a neighboring state and duly authorized under the laws thereof to practice medicine therein, whose practice extends into this state and who does not open an office or appoint a place to meet patients or to receive calls within this state; or regular or family physicians of persons not residents of this state, when called to attend them during a temporary stay in this state, provided such family physicians are legally registered in some state; or chiropody, or simple treatments such as massage or baths; or nurses in their legitimate occupations; or cases of emergency; or the administration of ordinary household remedies; or the advertising or sale of patent medicines. *Provided, however,* that this act shall not be construed so as to interfere in any way with the practice of those who endeavor to prevent or cure disease or suffering by spiritual means or prayer.

Application of act limited.

Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to abridge the rights of any class of persons to whom authority is given by any other statute to perform any acts which might be deemed the practice of medicine.

Present practitioners excepted.

SECT. 18. Nothing in this act shall be construed so as to affect the legal standing of practitioners of medicine and surgery who shall be duly registered and licensed under the laws of this state in force at the time this act shall take effect.

Osteopathy, practice regulated.

SECT. 19. Any person who shall have been actively engaged in the practice of osteopathy in New Hampshire prior to the first day of January, 1915, and who shall present to the board satisfactory evidence that he is twenty-one years of age and of good moral character, and holds a diploma from a regularly conducted school or college of osteopathy within the United States which at the time of his graduation required a course of study of twenty months or longer, including the subjects of anatomy, physiology, hygiene, pathology, chemistry, gynecology, diagnosis, and theory and practice of osteopathy, with an actual attendance of not less than twenty months, which facts shall be confirmed by affidavit, shall upon application on blank furnished by said board, signed and sworn to by said applicant, and payment of a fee of ten dollars, be registered, and a certificate in testimony thereof shall be given him signed by the president and secretary of the board; *provided*, such application shall be made on or before the thirty-first day of July, 1915, after which date all registration under the aforesaid conditions shall cease. Persons registered hereunder shall be considered as exercising the privileges of duly registered physicians under a special license, but they shall not be granted the right to prescribe or administer drugs for internal use, nor to perform major operations in surgery. Any person registered under this section who shall violate its provisions shall be subject to the penalties imposed upon unlicensed practitioners.

Further examination of osteopaths.

SECT. 20. Any person who complies with the requirements of the preceding section shall be admitted to any future regular examination by the board for full license upon the payment of an additional fee of ten dollars, and shall be required to take examinations only in surgery and clinical medicine; and it is further provided that any person who is graduated previous to July, 1915, from a regular osteopathic school requiring a full three-year course, shall be admitted to the examination upon the payment of the stipulated fee.

Existing records, disposal of.

SECT. 21. The records of the regent of the board of examiners in office at the time this act takes effect, together with all papers filed by him as regent, shall be turned over by him to the board created by this act, to be thereafter held by such board and treated as a part of its records and files; and all duties assumed by or im-

posed on the regent of the board shall devolve upon the secretary of the board under this act.

SECT. 22. All charges as to violation of the provisions of this act shall be made in writing to the board of examiners, whose duty it shall be, upon investigation, to make a written complaint to the attorney-general and the solicitors of the several counties, or such officers as are entrusted with the enforcement of the law. Upon receipt of such complaint, it shall be the duty of the attorney-general and the solicitors of the several counties and aforesaid officers to prosecute such violation of the provisions of this act.

Complaints and prosecutions.

SECT. 23. Chapter 63, Laws of 1897, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. *Provided, however,* that after the passage of this act the superintendent of public instruction shall be substituted for the regent of the state boards of medical examiners provided by chapter 50, Laws of 1907, relating to the registration of nurses, and he shall thenceforth possess all the powers and duties and be subject to all the obligations heretofore imposed upon said regent by the provisions of said act.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 168.

AN ACT RELATING TO STATE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES.

SECTION 1. What deemed guaranty fund, in computing dividend.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 125, Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following: For the purposes of this act, the capital stock, surplus, and guaranty fund, in the trust and banking department of any state bank, trust company, or loan and banking company, maintaining a savings department, to the extent that the same shall exceed five per cent. of the deposits in the trust and banking department, shall be deemed a part of the guaranty fund of such savings department; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. No savings bank shall pay dividends in excess of three and one-half per cent. per annum unless said bank has accumulated a guaranty fund equal in amount to five per cent. of its deposits, nor unless

What deemed guaranty fund, in computing dividend.

the total value of the assets of such savings bank, as determined by the bank commissioners at the last preceding annual valuation, shall exceed the amount due the depositors by at least five per cent.; and no savings bank having a guaranty fund of less than five per cent. of the deposits, or the value of whose assets as above determined does not exceed the deposits by at least five per cent., shall declare in any one year dividends exceeding in amount the net income actually earned or collected by said bank during the year, after providing for the requirements of the guaranty fund. For the purposes of this act, the capital stock, surplus, and guaranty fund, in the trust and banking department of any state bank, trust company, or loan and banking company, maintaining a savings department, to the extent that the same shall exceed five per cent. of the deposits in the trust and banking department, shall be deemed a part of the guaranty fund of such savings department.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 169.

AN ACT TO PREVENT CORRUPT PRACTICES AT ELECTIONS, AND TO REGULATE EXPENDITURES FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES AND PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICITY THEREOF.

SECTION

1. Meaning of terms used.
2. Expenditures by committees and candidates, for what purposes.
3. Maximum expenditure by state committee.
4. Maximum election expenditures by candidates.
5. Maximum primary expenditures by candidates.
6. Newspaper advertising regulated.
7. Other printed matter, use regulated.
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SECTION

9. Solicitation of candidates prohibited.
10. Rates for political advertising.
11. Campaign expenditures, how made public.
12. Complaints and prosecutions.
13. Committee treasurers, duties of.
14. Distribution of act.
15. Examination of returns.
16. Penalties for violations.
17. Expense of enforcement, how paid.
18. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Meaning of terms used.

SECTION 1. The following words and phrases of this act, unless the same be inconsistent with the context, shall be construed as follows:

(a) "Election" shall mean any primary or election at which federal, state, county, or municipal officers are nominated and elected.

(b) "Candidate" shall mean any candidate for governor, United States senator, representative to congress, councilor, state senator, representative to the general court, county, or municipal office.

(c) "Political committee" or "committee" shall mean any combination of two or more persons who shall aid or promote the success or defeat of any party, principle, measure, or person to be voted for at any election.

(d) "Political party" or "party" shall mean any political organization which has nominated in any manner provided by law candidates for federal or state offices.

(e) "Persons" shall include a corporation or committee.

SECT. 2. No political committee or candidate, for the purpose of aiding or promoting the success or defeat of any party, principle, measure, or person to be voted for at any election, shall give, pay, or contribute, or promise to give, pay, or contribute, any money or thing of value whatsoever to any person whomsoever, except as follows:

Expenditures by committees and candidates, for what purposes.

(a) For the transportation, housing and sustenance, and minor expenses strictly incidental to traveling, for members of such committee and for candidates, and for speakers procured by or on behalf of the committee or candidate to speak at any rally or political meeting.

(b) For the preparation, printing, and distribution by mail of letters, circulars, and other written or printed matter, and for the posting or distribution through any advertising or bill-posting agency of posters, hand-bills, and other advertising matter.

(c) For the rental of offices occupied by such committee or candidate, and telephone or telegraph tolls, and for the compensation of secretaries, stenographers, and other office employees.

(d) For the rental of halls and other rooms for the holding of political meetings and rallies, at which political addresses are to be made or candidates are to be present.

(e) For advertisements permitted by the provisions of this act.

(f) For the payment of speakers.

(g) For the salaries of political agents employed by the committee or candidate to travel from town to town arranging for political meetings and rallies and doing lawful acts in advancing the objects of the committee or candidate, and for the canvassing of voters.

(h) For contributions to local committees.

SECT. 3. No state committee of a political party shall receive or expend in any one year for political purposes allowed by this act any moneys in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars; and not more than one half of said sum shall be expended for the purposes enumerated in paragraphs (g) and (h) of the foregoing section.

Maximum expenditure by state committee.

SECT. 4. No candidate shall in any one election, other than the primary, expend, in addition to his contribution to a state commit-

Maximum election expenditures by candidates.

tee, a sum in excess of the following amounts: Governor or United States senator, one thousand dollars; congressman, seven hundred and fifty dollars; councilor, two hundred and fifty dollars; state senator or county officer, one hundred and fifty dollars; representative to the general court, fifty dollars.

Maximum primary expenditures by candidates.

SECT. 5. For primary expenditures, all candidates for nomination shall be limited to the following sums: Candidates for governor or United States senator, one thousand dollars; candidates for congressman, five hundred dollars; candidates for councilor, two hundred and fifty dollars; candidates for state senator or county officer, one hundred dollars; candidates for representative to the general court, twenty-five dollars.

Newspaper advertising regulated.

SECT. 6. No person shall publish or cause to be published in a newspaper or other periodical, either in its advertising or reading columns, any paid matter which is designed or tends to aid, injure, or defeat any candidate for public office, or a constitutional amendment, or any other question submitted to the voters, unless the name of the chairman or secretary, or the names of two officers of the political or other organization inserting the same, or the name of some voter who is responsible therefor, with his residence and the street and number thereof, if any, appear in the nature of a signature. Such matter inserted in reading columns shall be marked at the beginning thereof in black-faced Roman capitals: "Advertisement. Paid for by (naming the person or committee paying for the same). Price (truly stating the cost of said advertisement) \$." Any person who violates, or in any way knowingly aids or abets the violation of, any provisions of this section, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than sixty days.

Other printed matter, use regulated.

SECT. 7. (a) No person or committee shall mail, give away, or distribute any letter, circular, or other written or printed matter not contained in a newspaper or other publication printed and published within this state, which is designed or tends to aid, injure, or defeat any party, principle, measure, or person to be voted for at any election, or wherein the merits of any such party, principle, measure, or person shall be discussed, unless the same shall be signed by such person or committee, or shall bear printed or stamped thereon a true statement showing at the expense of what person or persons or committee the same is mailed, given away or distributed.

(b) Any person who shall violate any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars.

Misuse of ballots prohibited.

SECT. 8. No person at any election shall apply for a ballot in the name of another person, whether such other person be living or dead, nor in the name of a fictitious person, nor shall a person having voted once at any election apply at the same election for a ballot in his own name.

SECT. 9. No person shall solicit or invite any contribution, subscription, or payment from any person who is a candidate for election to, or, prior to the expiration of his term of office, from any person who has been elected to, the office of governor, United States senator, representative to congress, councilor, state senator, or representative to the legislature, or from any political committee, for himself, or for any fraternal organization, labor organization, lodge, secret society, club, or similar organization, nor shall any person solicit or invite any such candidate or elected person or political committee to buy tickets to any entertainment or ball, or for the aid of any such organization, or to pay for space or advertising in any book, program, or publication, and no candidate or committee shall make any such contribution, subscription, payment, or purchase. Any candidate or committee or any person violating any provision of this section shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Solicitation of candidates prohibited.

SECT. 10. No candidate or committee shall pay to any daily newspaper or class publication any rate for political advertisement in excess of what is regularly charged by such newspaper or publication for commercial advertising occupying the same space and position and running the same length of time.

Advertising rates.

SECT. 11. Instead of the publication of campaign expenditures provided by chapter 101, Laws of 1911, in the case of candidates for governor, United States senator, representatives to congress, and by state committees, a candidate may deliver to the secretary of state a copy of the statement of expenditures provided for by said chapter for each candidate opposing the candidate so filing, and a state committee may deliver to the secretary of state a copy of such statement for the state committee of each other political party, which copies shall be delivered by the secretary of state, upon request, to the candidates and committees for whom they are made.

Campaign expenditures, how made public.

SECT. 12. (a) Any person voted for at an election for any office, or any reputable voter, may make complaint in writing to the attorney-general of any violation of any of the provisions of this act. All complaints so made shall be treated as confidential communications. Upon the receipt of any such complaint, if it shall appear that the act complained of, if committed, was of a serious and deliberate nature, it shall be the duty of the attorney-general, through a county solicitor or some other representative, to investigate the complaint, and if sufficient cause for a prosecution is found, to commence forthwith a prosecution and prosecute the same to final judgment. If, in the opinion of any person making complaint as aforesaid, the family, business, or political connection of the county solicitor of the county in which the offense complained of was committed are such as to make it unlikely that he will act diligently

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and earnestly in any prosecution therefor, the person complaining may state such facts to the attorney-general, and his communication shall be held confidential.

(b) If the attorney-general believes that the county solicitor in any county will be hampered by any existing facts or circumstances, and in any wise prevented from vigorously prosecuting any respondent complained against for violation of any provision of this law, or that the service of more than one attorney in any prosecution would be in the interest of the state, he shall have authority to employ and assign to conduct, or assist in conducting, such prosecution a county solicitor from some other county, or to employ and assign some attorney not a county solicitor. Such county solicitor or other attorney shall be allowed reasonable compensation, to be approved by the governor and council and paid from the treasury of the state out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

Committee treasurers, duties of.

SECT. 13. Each committee shall have a treasurer who shall be a citizen of this state, who shall receive and pay out all money handled by the committee. For any failure to make any statement of receipts and expenditures of the committee as required by law, the treasurer shall be guilty. If there is no treasurer, or if he fails to make report, it shall be the duty of each member of said committee who receives or pays out any money on behalf of said committee to make said report or to cause the same to be made, and for failure on his part to file such report he shall be guilty. For any unlawful expenditure or act of a committee, any member of said committee who made or permitted the same, in whole or in part, or who consented thereto, or who aided, abetted, or conspired to make or perform the same, shall be guilty thereof.

Distribution of act.

SECT. 14. The secretary of state shall give or send by mail a copy of this act to each person who shall file a declaration of candidacy before any primary, or on behalf of whom primary petitions or a primary certificate shall be filed; but any failure so to do shall be deemed neglect of duty, and not an offense rendering said official liable to the penal provisions of this act.

Examination of returns.

SECT. 15. It shall be the duty of the attorney-general to examine the returns of election expenses which are made to the secretary of state by candidates and committees, and to compel such returns to be made in form and substance to comply with the law.

Penalties.

SECT. 16. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a corrupt practice, and, except as some other penalty is elsewhere herein provided, shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned not less than six months or not more than one year, or both.

Expense of enforcement.

SECT. 17. Any expenses incurred by the secretary of state or the

attorney-general in carrying out the provisions of this act shall be paid from the treasury of the state.

SECT. 18. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. Takes effect on passage; repealing clause.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 170.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCORPORATION AND REGULATION OF EMPLOYERS' MUTUAL LIABILITY INSURANCE ASSOCIATIONS.

SECTION

1. Who may be incorporators.
2. Articles of association.
3. Approval by insurance commissioner.
4. Certain information to be filed.
5. Issuance of license.
6. Power to make by-laws.
7. Votes at meetings; officers.
8. Form of policies.
9. Suspension of business, when.
10. Directors' right to inspect, etc.

SECTION

11. Liability to assessment.
12. Premiums, how fixed.
13. Assessments for losses and expenses.
14. Dividends.
15. Division into groups.
16. Approval of division.
17. Withdrawal of subscribers.
18. Investment of funds.
19. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That any twenty or more employers, who have in the aggregate not less than five thousand employees in the state of New Hampshire, may form an incorporated employers' mutual liability insurance association for the purpose of insuring themselves and such other employers as may become subscribers to the association, against liability on account of injuries to their employees. Any such association may admit as subscribers employers engaged in business outside this state. Who may be incorporators.

SECT. 2. The articles of association thereof shall state: Articles of association.

(a) The name of the association.

(b) The place of its principal office and the average number of employees of each subscriber.

(c) The name and address of its incorporators.

Any name not in use by an existing association may be adopted, but must clearly designate the object and purpose of the association.

SECT. 3. The subscribers to said articles of agreement shall file the same in duplicate with the insurance commissioner. If the insurance commissioner shall find that all the requirements hereof Approval by insurance commissioner.

have been complied with, he shall so certify, and thereupon the subscribers and their associates shall become a corporation under the name designated in said articles, with all the powers and privileges incident to corporations of a similar nature, except as limited or extended by this act: but such association shall not engage in business until the further provisions of this act have been complied with.

Certain information to be filed.

SECT. 4. Such association shall not begin to issue policies until a list of the subscribers, with the number of employees of each, together with such other information as the insurance commissioner may require, shall have been filed with him, nor until the president and secretary of the association shall have certified under oath that every subscription in the list so filed is genuine and made with an agreement with every subscriber that he will take the insurance subscribed for by him within thirty days of the granting of a license by the commissioner.

Issuance of license.

SECT. 5. Upon the filing of the certificate provided for in the preceding section, the insurance commissioner shall make such investigations as he may deem proper, and if his findings warrant it, grant a license to the association to issue policies.

By-laws.

SECT. 6. Such association shall have the power to make by-laws for the government of its officers and the conduct of its affairs, but such by-laws and all alterations or amendments thereof shall be subject to the approval of the insurance commissioner.

Votes at meetings; officers.

SECT. 7. The general provisions of law relating to corporations shall apply to such associations in so far as they are applicable and not inconsistent with this act. In the choice of directors and in all meetings of the association, each subscriber shall be entitled to one vote for every one hundred dollars or any fraction thereof paid by him in premiums into the treasury of the association during the preceding calendar year, but no person shall as proxy or otherwise cast more than twenty votes. The directors shall annually choose, by ballot, a president, who shall be a member of the board, a secretary, a treasurer, who may also be either the president or secretary, and such other officers as the by-laws may provide.

Form of policies.

SECT. 8. Policies of insurance issued by any such association shall be in such form as the insurance commissioner may approve and shall be signed by the president, or such other officers as may be designated by the directors for that purpose, and attested by the secretary.

Suspension of business, when.

SECT. 9. If at any time the number of subscribers falls below twenty, or the number of the subscribers' employees within the state falls below five thousand, no further policies shall be issued until the total number of subscribers amounts to not less than twenty, whose employees within the state are not less than five thousand.

SECT. 10. The board of directors shall be entitled to inspect the plant, work-room, shop, or premises of any subscriber, and for such purpose to appoint inspectors, who shall have free access to all such premises during the regular working hours; and the board of directors shall likewise from time to time be entitled to examine, by their auditor or other agent, the books, records, and payrolls of any subscriber, for the purpose of determining the amount of premium chargeable to such subscriber.

Directors' right to inspect and make rules.

The board of directors shall make reasonable rules and regulations for the prevention of injuries upon the premises of subscribers; and they may refuse to insure, or may terminate the insurance of, any subscriber who refuses to permit such examinations or disregards such rules or regulations, and forfeit all premiums previously paid by him, but such termination of the insurance of any subscriber shall not release him from liability for the payment of assessments then or thereafter made by the board of directors to make up deficiencies existing at the termination of his insurance.

SECT. 11. Every subscriber to such association shall be under a contingent mutual liability to assessment for the payment of losses and expenses incurred while a member to an amount to be stated in the policy, but not less than the premium paid by him during the year in which the liability for such losses and expenses was incurred.

Liability to assessment.

SECT. 12. The board of directors shall determine the amount of the premiums which the subscribers of the association shall pay for their insurance, in accordance with the nature of the business in which such subscribers are engaged and the probable risk of injury to their employees under existing conditions, and they shall fix premiums at such amounts as in their judgment, subject to the approval of the insurance commissioner, shall be sufficient to enable the association to pay to its subscribers all sums which may become due and payable to their employees and also the expenses of conducting the business of the association. The insurance commissioner shall require every such association to fix such premiums and make such assessments as may be necessary to create a reserve sufficient to meet all liabilities of the association. In fixing the premium payable by any subscriber, the board of directors may take into account the condition of the plant, work-room, shop, or premises of such subscriber in respect to the safety of those employed therein, as shown by the report of any inspector appointed by such board or otherwise determined by the board, and they may from time to time change the amount of premiums payable by any of the subscribers as circumstances may require and the condition of the plant, work-room, shop, or premises of such subscriber in respect to the safety of his employees may justify, and they may increase the premiums of

Premiums, how fixed.

any subscriber neglecting to provide safety devices required by law, or disobeying the rules or regulations made by the board of directors in accordance with the provisions of section 11 of this act. No policy of insurance issued to any subscriber shall be effective until he shall have paid in cash the premium so fixed and determined.

Assessments for losses and expenses.

SECT. 13. If the association be not possessed of cash funds, over and above its unearned premiums, sufficient for the payment of incurred losses and expenses, it shall make an assessment for the amount needed to pay such losses and expenses upon the subscribers liable to assessment therefor, in proportion to their several liabilities.

Dividends.

SECT. 14. The board of directors may from time to time fix and determine the amount to be paid as dividends upon policies after retaining the unearned premiums upon undetermined risks and sufficient sums to meet all liabilities then payable, or which may become payable on account of injuries received by employees of the subscribers, and to pay the expenses incurred in the operation of the business of the association.

Division into groups.

SECT. 15. The board of directors may divide the subscribers into groups in accordance with the nature of their business and the probable risk of injury therein. In such case they shall fix all premiums, make all assessments, and determine and pay all dividends by and for each group in accordance with the experience thereof, but all funds of the association and the contingent liability of all the subscribers shall be available for the payment of any claim against the association; *provided, however*, that as between the association and its subscribers, until the whole of the contingent liability of the members of any group shall be exhausted, the general funds of the association and the contingent liability of the members of other groups shall not be available for the payment of losses and expenses incurred by such group in excess of the earned premiums paid by the members thereof.

Approval of division.

SECT. 16. A statement of any proposed premium, assessment, dividend, or distribution of subscribers into groups, shall be filed with the insurance commissioner and shall not take effect until approved by him.

Withdrawal of subscribers.

SECT. 17. Policies issued to subscribers shall continue in force until the subscriber withdraws from the association by giving a written notice to that effect sent by registered mail to the president or secretary, but such withdrawal shall take effect only from the thirty-first day of December following such written notice, and such written notice shall be given on or before the first day of December preceding. Such withdrawals shall not release such subscriber from liability for the payment of assessments thereafter made by the board of directors to make up deficiencies existing at

the date of his withdrawal, and such subscriber shall be entitled to his share of any dividends earned at the date of his withdrawal.

SECT. 18. Such association shall invest and keep invested all its funds of every description, excepting such cash as may be required in the transaction of its business, in the same manner as the funds of savings banks may be lawfully invested. Investment of funds.

SECT. 19. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 171.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3, CHAPTER 29, LAWS OF 1893, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 1, CHAPTER 14, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO HIGHWAY AGENTS.

SECTION

1. Highway agents, how chosen; duties of.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 29, Laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 14, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section 3 and substituting therefor the following: Highway agents, how chosen; duties of.

SECT. 3. At the annual election, each town shall elect by ballot one or more, not exceeding three, highway agents, who, under the direction of the selectmen, shall have charge of the construction and repair of all highways and bridges within the town, and shall have authority to employ the necessary men and teams, and purchase timber, planks, and other material for construction and repair of highways and bridges, and they may remove gravel, rocks, or other materials from one part of the town to the other, doing no damage to adjoining land, for the purpose of grading or otherwise repairing the same. Or the town may vote at the annual election to instruct its selectmen to appoint an expert highway agent, who, under the direction of the selectmen, shall have the same power and perform the same duties as a highway agent if elected by said town. Said agents shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duty, give bonds to the satisfaction of the selectmen, and be responsible to them for the expenditure of money and discharge of their duties generally. The compensation of said agents shall be fixed

by the town or selectmen, and they shall render to the selectmen monthly statements of their expenditures and receive no money from the treasurer only on the order of the selectmen.

Repealing clause;
act takes effect on
passage.

SECT. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 172.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 27, CHAPTER 56, PUBLIC STATUTES,
RELATING TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY, WHERE TAXED.

SECTION 1. Property held in trust, where and to whom taxed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

Property held in
trust, where and
to whom taxed.

SECTION 1. Section 27, chapter 56, of the Public Statutes, is hereby amended by inserting the word conservator after the word "guardian" wherever said word appears in said section, and by inserting after the word "resides" in the seventh line of said section the following: if in this state, otherwise in the town in which the deceased resided at death; so that said section as amended will read as follows: SECT. 27. The real and personal estate of any legatee or ward, and all taxable property held in trust, shall be taxed to the administrator, guardian, conservator, or trustee,—the real estate in the town in which it is situated, and the personal estate in the town in which such administrator, trustee, guardian, or conservator resides, if in this state, otherwise in the town in which such legatee, ward, or person beneficially interested resides, if in this state, otherwise in the town in which the deceased resided at death; but living animals and stock in trade shall be taxed in the town in which they are kept.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 173.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 76 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, RELATING TO DAMAGES HAPPENING IN THE USE OF HIGHWAYS, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 19, LAWS OF 1913.

SECTION 1. Town not liable if load exceeds six tons.	SECTION 2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 76, of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 19 of the Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 3. Towns and other municipal corporations shall not be liable for such damages to a person traveling upon a bridge, culvert, or sluiceway when the weight of the load, inclusive of the carriage, or of the carriage alone, exceeds six tons; *provided, however,* that all new bridges upon main trunk lines and cross-state highways shall be constructed to bear not less than ten tons, but towns and municipal corporations shall not be liable where the total weight of the load and carriage exceeds six tons.

Town not liable if load exceeds six tons.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 174.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 35, LAWS OF 1901, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 195, LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO THE SALE OF FEEDING-STUFFS.

SECTION 1. Prior provisions amended.	SECTION 2. Takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 35, Laws of 1901, as amended by chapter 195, Laws of 1911, by striking out all of sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8, and inserting in place thereof the following:

Prior provisions amended.

Packages, how to be marked.

SECTION 1. Every manufacturer, company, or person, who shall sell, offer, or expose for sale or for distribution in this state any concentrated commercial feeding-stuff used for feeding farm livestock, shall furnish with each car or other amount shipped in bulk and shall affix to every package of such feeding-stuff, in a conspicuous place on the outside thereof, a plainly printed statement clearly and truly certifying the number of net pounds in the package sold or offered for sale, the name or trademark under which the article is sold, the name of the manufacturer or shipper, the place of manufacture, the place of business, and a chemical analysis stating the minimum percentages only which it contains of crude protein (allowing one per centum of nitrogen to equal six and one fourth per centum of protein), the minimum percentage only of carbo-hydrates, the minimum percentage only of crude fat, and the maximum percentage only of crude fibre, each constituent to be determined by the methods prescribed by the association of official agricultural chemists. And shall state in bold type upon the container or a tag attached thereto, if a compounded feed, the names of the several ingredients therein contained. Whenever any feeding-stuff is sold at retail in bulk or in packages belonging to the purchaser, the agent or dealer, upon request of the purchaser, shall furnish to him the certified statement named in this section.

"Concentrated commercial feeding-stuffs" includes what.

SECT. 2.° The term "concentrated commercial feeding-stuffs," as used in this act, shall include linseed meals, cottonseed meals, pea meals, cocoanut meals, gluten meals, gluten feeds, maize feeds, starch feeds, sugar feeds, dried brewer's grains, malt sprouts, hominy feeds, cerealine feeds, rice meals, oat feeds, corn and oat chops, wheat, rye, and buckwheat bran and middlings, ground beef or fish scraps, mixed feeds, and all other materials of similar nature; but shall not include hay, straw, and whole seed, nor the unmixed meals made directly from the entire grains of wheat, rye, barley, oats, Indian corn, broom corn, and buckwheat.

Certificates of analysis and samples.

SECT. 3. Before any manufacturer, company, or person shall sell or offer for sale in this state any concentrated commercial feeding-stuffs, he or they shall, for each and every feeding-stuff bearing a distinguishing name or trademark, file annually during the month of December with the commissioner of agriculture a certified copy of the statement specified in the preceding sections, said certified copy to be accompanied, when the commissioner shall so request, by a sealed glass jar or bottle containing at least one pound of the feeding-stuff to be sold or offered for sale, and the company or person furnishing said sample shall thereupon make affidavit that said sample corresponds within reasonable limits to the feeding-stuff which it represents in the percentage of protein, carbo-hydrates, fat, and crude fibre which it contains.

SECT. 4. Each manufacturer, importer, agent, or seller of any concentrated commercial feeding-stuffs shall pay annually during the month of December to the commissioner of agriculture an analysis fee of fifteen dollars for each brand offered for sale within the state. Whenever a manufacturer, importer, agent, or seller of concentrated commercial feeding-stuffs desires at any time to sell such material and has not paid the analysis fee therefor in the preceding month of December, as required by this section, he shall pay the analysis fee prescribed herein before making any such sale. The amount of analysis fees received by said commissioner pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be paid by him to the treasurer of the state of New Hampshire. The treasurer of the state of New Hampshire shall pay from such amount, when duly approved, the moneys required for the expense incurred in making the inspection required by this act and in enforcing the provisions thereof. The commissioner of agriculture shall report annually to the governor and council the amount received pursuant to this act and the expense incurred for salaries, laboratory expenses, chemical supplies, traveling expenses, printing, and other necessary matters. Whenever the manufacturer, importer, or shipper of concentrated commercial feeding-stuffs shall have filed the statement required by section 1 of this act and paid the analysis fee as prescribed in this section, no agent or seller of such manufacturer, importer, or shipper shall be required to file such statement or pay such fee.

SECT. 5. The commissioner of agriculture shall annually cause to be analyzed at the New Hampshire College agricultural experiment station at least one sample, to be taken in the manner hereinafter prescribed, of every concentrated commercial feeding-stuff sold or offered for sale under the provisions of this act. Said commissioner shall cause a sample to be taken not exceeding two pounds in weight, for such analysis, from any lot or package of such commercial feeding-stuff which may be in the possession of any manufacturer, importer, agent, or seller in this state. Said sample shall be drawn in the presence of the parties in interest, or their representatives, and taken from a parcel or a number of packages, which shall not be less than ten per cent. of the whole lot sampled, and shall be thoroughly mixed, and then divided into two equal samples and placed in glass vials and carefully sealed, and a label placed on each stating the name of the party from whose stock the sample was drawn and the time and place of drawing, and said label shall also be signed by the person taking the sample and by the party or parties in interest, or their representatives, at the drawing and sealing of said samples. One of said duplicate samples shall be retained by the commissioner and the other by the party whose stock was sampled, and the sample or samples retained by the commissioner shall be for comparison with the certified state-

Analysis fees.

Annual analyses
by commissioner
of agriculture.

ment named in section 3 of this act. The result of the analysis of the sample or samples so procured, together with such additional information as circumstances advise, shall be promptly published in reports of bulletins by the commissioner of agriculture or by the New Hampshire College agricultural experiment station, as the governor and council may determine.

Prosecutions.

SECT. 8. Whenever said commissioner becomes cognizant of the violation of any of the provisions of this act he shall prosecute the party or parties thus reported, but it shall be the duty of said commissioner, upon thus ascertaining any violation of this act, to forthwith notify the manufacturer, importer, or dealer in writing, and give him not less than thirty days thereafter in which to comply with the requirements of this law; but there shall be no prosecution in relation to the quality of any concentrated commercial feeding-stuff if the same shall be found substantially equivalent to the certified statement named in section three of this article.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 175.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE SALARY OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE.

SECTION

- 1. Annual salary of \$1,500.
- 2. Repealing clause.

SECTION

- 3. Takes effect May 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual salary of \$1,500.

SECTION 1. From and after the passage of this act the salary of the deputy secretary of state shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum.

Repealing clause.

SECT. 2. So much of chapter 81, Laws of 1909, as relates to the salary of the deputy secretary of state is hereby repealed.

Takes effect May 1, 1915.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect May 1, 1915.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 176.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

SECTION

1. Board of trustees created; powers and duties.
2. Appointment of trustees.
3. Trustees to make rules.
4. To be paid expenses.
5. To employ business manager.
6. Purchasing agent; salary and duties.
7. Capital for purchasing agent.
8. Requisitions for supplies, etc.

SECTION

9. Contracts for supplies, etc.
10. Books of account.
11. Purchase and sale of land.
12. Biennial report of trustees.
13. Repealing clause; certain offices abolished.
14. Inventories by institutions.
15. Expenses under act, how paid.
16. Takes effect, when.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a board of trustees of state institutions, for the management of the state hospital, the school for feeble-minded children, the industrial school, the state sanatorium for consumptives, and the state prison; for the making of extensive repairs and new construction of all state buildings; and for the purchase of supplies and material for all institutions and executive departments of the state. All the powers and duties heretofore imposed and conferred upon the trustees of the state hospital, the school for feeble-minded children, the industrial school, and the state sanatorium for consumptives, and all the powers and duties imposed and conferred upon the governor and council relative to the state prison, except as to pardons, are imposed and conferred upon the board of trustees created by this act, together with such further powers as may be essential to the full and complete supervision of said state institutions.

Board of trustees created; powers and duties.

SECT. 2. Said board of trustees shall consist of ten competent persons, appointed and commissioned by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, two for five years, two for four years, two for three years, two for two years, and two for one year. Upon the expiration of the term of office of a trustee, a successor shall be appointed in the same manner for a term of five years. Each trustee shall hold office until his successor is appointed and qualified. Any vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the governor and council, as aforesaid, for the unexpired term. Two of such trustees shall be designated in their appointment to serve with special reference to each of the five institutions enumerated in section 1 of this act, and shall have power to initiate and direct the policies of the institutions for which they are designated, subject to the approval of the full board herein provided for.

Appointment of trustees.

Rules.

SECT. 3. The board of trustees shall make such rules for the performance of their duties and the inspection, in rotation, of the institutions, other than those for which they have been designated, as it may deem proper.

To be paid expenses.

SECT. 4. Members of the board of trustees shall receive their actual and necessary expenses while in the performance of their official duties, the same to be audited and approved by the governor and council and paid from the treasury out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

Business manager.

SECT. 5. Said board of trustees shall employ at an annual salary, approved by the governor and council, a competent person to act as business manager of state institutions and shall prescribe his powers and duties. They shall also have authority to employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary for the proper performance of duties imposed upon them by this act and fix their compensation.

Purchasing agent.

SECT. 6. The board of trustees shall employ some competent person to act as a purchasing agent for state departments and institutions, who shall receive an annual salary not exceeding three thousand dollars, payable in equal monthly instalments, together with his actual and necessary expenses while engaged in his duties as such purchasing agent, to be audited and approved by the governor and council and paid from the treasury upon warrant of the governor. Before entering upon the duties of his office, the purchasing agent shall give a bond to the state, with surety approved by the board of trustees, in such sum as may be ordered by the governor and council, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of his office and for the proper accounting of any and all moneys or other property of the state coming into his hands. The board of trustees and the purchasing agent shall be provided with suitable offices in the state house.

Capital for purchasing agent.

SECT. 7. The governor and council are hereby authorized to draw their warrant on the treasurer for any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for such sum or sums to be advanced to the credit of the purchasing agent as working capital as may appear to them necessary and proper for the prompt payment of bills contracted by him, and for such other claims against the state, duly approved, as the governor and council may specifically direct.

Requisitions.

SECT. 8. When any of said institutions or departments are in need of materials or supplies, requisition therefor shall be made upon the purchasing agent by the proper official of such institution or department.

Contracts.

SECT. 9. Under the direction and control of the board of trustees, the purchasing agent shall contract for and purchase all materials and supplies for the state hospital, school for feeble-minded children, industrial school, state sanatorium, state prison,

normal schools, state library (except books and periodicals), all departments quartered in the state house, for county institutions whenever the commissioners of any county wish to avail themselves of that privilege, and for the New Hampshire College of Agriculture whenever the trustees thereof so desire.

SECT. 10. Said board shall keep a full and complete set of books of account which shall show all of its dealings with each department and institution. Books of account.

SECT. 11. Said board shall have authority to buy, sell, or exchange institutional lands, and may institute proceedings for the taking of land for institutional purposes by eminent domain; and the procedure for that purpose shall be the same and the value of the land shall be determined as in cases of land taken for highways, with the same rights of appeal and jury trial. On the payment of the value as finally determined, the title of the land so taken shall be vested in the state. The sum of five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for carrying out the provisions of this section. Purchase and sale of land.

SECT. 12. Said board shall render to the governor and council biennially in November a complete and comprehensive report of its transactions under the authority vested in it by the terms of this act. Biennial report.

SECT. 13. Chapter 140 of the Laws of 1913 and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed; and the board of control, the office of purchasing agent, and the boards of trustees of the state hospital, the school for feeble-minded children, the industrial school, and the state sanatorium for consumptives are hereby abolished. Repealing clause; certain offices abolished.

SECT. 14. All institutions and departments receiving supplies furnished under this act shall annually, during the first fifteen days of September, render to the board of trustees an inventory of all materials and supplies on hand as of August 31, and their cost, and said board may require such other inventories as the interest of the state may demand. Inventories by institutions.

SECT. 15. The governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant against any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying any expenses incurred under the authorization of this act. Expenses of act.

SECT. 16. As to the power herein given for the appointment of trustees, this act shall take effect upon its passage; and in all other respects it shall take effect thirty days after the appointment and qualification of the trustees herein provided for. Takes effect, when.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 177.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 163, LAWS OF 1913, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

SECTION

- 1. Salary of commissioner.
- 2. Advisory board provided for; deputy commissioner, appointment and salary; duties of commissioner and deputy.

SECTION

- 3. Certain boards and offices abolished.
- 4. Repealing clause; act takes effect September 1, 1915.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Salary of commissioner.

SECTION 1. Amend section 2 of chapter 163, Laws of 1913, by striking out the words "thirty-five" in the ninth line and inserting in place thereof the word twenty-five, and by striking out the word "eighteen" in the fifteenth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word thirteen, so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 2. There shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and approval of the council, a state commissioner of agriculture, whose official title shall be commissioner of agriculture, and who shall give bond to the state, with surety or sureties approved by the governor and council, in the sum of ten thousand dollars, and who shall qualify by taking the oath of office before the secretary of state within ten days after his appointment. He shall hold office for three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified. His salary shall be twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, payable in monthly instalments; and he shall be allowed his actual expenses when on official duty elsewhere than in the office of the department, the same to be verified by proper vouchers and audited by the state auditor. He may, subject to the approval of the governor and council, employ office assistants for said department, at an expense not to exceed thirteen hundred dollars annually.

Advisory board provided for; deputy commissioner, appointment and salary.

SECT. 2. Amend sections 3 and 4 of said chapter by striking out all of said sections, and substituting therefor the following:

SECT. 3. The governor, by and with the advice of the council, shall appoint ten men, one from each county, actively engaged in agriculture as an occupation, not over six to be of the same political party, to be known as the advisory board of the department of agriculture. They shall be appointed in September, 1915, as follows: Three members for one year, three for two years, and four for three years; and at the expiration of their respective terms, all appointments shall be for a term of three years. The commissioner of agriculture may appoint a deputy commissioner of agri-

culture, with the approval of the governor, to hold office during the term of the commissioner, with the power to remove the deputy at any time with the approval of the governor and council. The deputy commissioner of agriculture shall receive annually a salary of fifteen hundred dollars and actual traveling expenses when on official duty away from the office of the department, payable in equal monthly instalments. The advisory board of the department of agriculture shall receive three dollars per day and their necessary traveling expenses when engaged in the performance of their duties. They shall meet and advise with the commissioner of agriculture at least twice each year, shall help arrange for and attend the institute meetings held in their respective counties, and perform such other duties as the commissioner may direct. The expenses of the deputy commissioner of agriculture and the advisory board of the department of agriculture shall be verified by proper vouchers and audited by the state auditor.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the commissioner of agriculture and his deputy to devote their entire time to the duties of their office, in the promotion of every agricultural interest of public importance. To this end, the commissioner of agriculture shall hold one or more farmers' institute meetings in each county annually, and at least one state meeting. All such meetings shall be open to all citizens of the state and interests related to the department, and co-operation of all other farm or kindred organizations seeking the development of agriculture in any of its branches shall be encouraged. He shall encourage the sale and occupancy of the unoccupied farms by permanent farmers and for summer homes. He shall prepare and send to the selectmen and assessors of the several towns and cities of the state suitable blanks containing inquiries designed to elicit the information required to compile statistics as to the number and value of live-stock, including horses, cattle, sheep, swine and poultry; the acreage yield, and value of farm crops including hay, grain, potatoes and apples; also the amount and value of dairy, poultry, bee, and maple sugar products. The selectmen and assessors of the several towns and cities shall fill out such blanks and return them to the commissioner at such times as he may designate. A summary of the returns so made shall be furnished by the commissioner to such newspapers within the state as desire to publish the same. He shall audit the expenditure of the state money by the Granite State Dairymen's Association, the New Hampshire Horticultural Society, or any other similar farm organization receiving state aid, and publish the results of such expenditure. He shall co-operate so far as may be practicable with the extension work of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts. The department of agriculture shall be open to all who are engaged within this state in any form of agri-

Duties of commissioner and deputy.

culture, in any of their branches, or any allied vocation, for advice, either in person or through correspondence, as to any matter involving such interest, and to that end he shall gather, tabulate, index, and keep on file statistics giving information of public interest upon the subject-matter of this department.

Certain boards
and offices
abolished.

SECT. 3. Amend section 5 of said chapter by striking out after the word "agriculture" in the tenth line the words "shall, with the approval of the governor and council, appoint a deputy commissioner who," by adding after the word "and" in the twelfth line the words, shall appoint, with the approval of the governor, by striking out the word "like" in the thirteenth line, by striking out the word "their" in the fifteenth line and substituting in place thereof the word his, by striking out the word "they" in the sixteenth line and substituting in place thereof the word he, and by striking out the word "their" in the sixteenth line and substituting in place thereof the word his; so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 5. The official duties existing next prior to the passage of this act, upon the part of the cattle commission, the state agent for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths, and the state board of agriculture and of its secretary, are hereby made a part of the duties of the office of the commissioner of agriculture; and the tenure of office of said board of agriculture, the cattle commission, and the state agent for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths, is hereby terminated, and the office of said board, commission, and agent is hereby abolished. The commissioner of agriculture shall have the powers and perform the duties heretofore required of the cattle commission, and shall appoint, with the approval of the governor, a deputy who shall have the powers and perform the duties heretofore required of the agent for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths; and his compensation shall be fixed by the governor and council, and he shall be allowed his actual expenses when on official duties elsewhere than in the office of the department, to be verified by proper vouchers and audited by the state auditor. In all matters pertaining to the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths, the department shall co-operate, so far as practicable, with the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

Repealing clause;
act takes effect
September 1,
1915.

SECT. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect September 1, 1915.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 178.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS AT THE STATE HOSPITAL.

Commission provided for.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the governor and council be requested to appoint a commission of three suitable and qualified persons to inquire into the circumstances attending the recent dismissal of the superintendent of the State Hospital and such reasons therefor as they may be able to adduce; and if, as a result of such inquiry, the said commission shall determine that facts have been found tending to call into question the efficiency of said institution, the said commission to proceed with an inquiry into the question of efficiency of the management of said institution and to report its findings to the governor and council.

Commission provided for.

That said commission for the purpose of this inquiry, shall have power to engage a stenographer, counsel if necessary, to examine witnesses orally or upon deposition and to compel the attendance of witnesses in the same manner as provided by law for attendance of witnesses before the Superior Court.

That the funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall be drawn from the treasury out of any money not otherwise appropriated and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same.

[Approved January 13, 1915.]

CHAPTER 179.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE WIDOW OF THE LATE JAMES H. CAINE.

Payment of \$200 authorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the widow of James H. Caine, member of the House, deceased, be allowed the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200); that

Payment of \$200 authorized.

the governor be authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; and that the same be paid at once.

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 180.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE AMOSKEAG VETERANS OF
MANCHESTER.

Allowance of \$200.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

Allowance of
\$200.

THAT the sum of one hundred dollars be allowed the Amoskeag Veterans of Manchester, N. H., the same being the amount due them as armory rent for the year 1914, under chapter 211, Laws of 1881, and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 181.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE WIDOW OF WILLIAM H. MORAN.

Payment of \$200 authorized.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

Payment of \$200
authorized.

THAT the widow of William H. Moran, member of the House, deceased, be allowed the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200); that the governor be authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; and that the same be paid at once.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 182.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF JOHN D. FRENCH.

Payment of \$175 authorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars be paid to John D. French, of Manchester, for loss and damages sustained by injury to a horse, incurred while in use by the First New Hampshire Battery at the annual encampment of the National Guard in 1914, and that the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. Payment of \$175 authorized.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 183.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF ALBERT P. DAVIS AND OTHERS.

Allowances to sundry persons.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT Albert P. Davis, sergeant-at-arms, be allowed the sum of twenty-one dollars and twenty cents; that James W. Pridham be allowed the sum of twenty-one dollars and fifty cents; that William D. Ingalls be allowed the sum of twenty dollars and fifty cents; that James A. Loughlin be allowed the sum of twenty dollars and sixty cents; that Llewellyn E. Martin be allowed the sum of fourteen dollars and eighty cents; that Luther J. Holt be allowed the sum of seventeen dollars and sixty cents; that Henry O. Jackson be allowed the sum of fourteen dollars; that Michael O'Malley be allowed the sum of seventeen dollars and sixty cents; that George U. Bresnahan be allowed the sum of thirty-three dollars and sixty-three cents; that Dennis Sullivan be allowed the sum of fourteen dollars; that Harold W. Conlen be allowed the sum of twenty dollars; that Donald S. Walton and Paul K. Wilson be allowed the Allowances to sundry persons.

sum of eighteen dollars and eighty cents each; that Charles W. Prentiss be allowed the sum of twenty-two dollars—in full for their services at the organization of the present Senate and House of Representatives; and that the governor be and is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 184.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR DEFICIENCY IN THE FORESTRY FIRE APPROPRIATION.

Preamble; deficiency appropriation of \$10,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Preamble.

WHEREAS, the state of New Hampshire is by law required to pay one half of the expenses caused by fighting forest and brush fires in towns, cities, and unincorporated places; and

WHEREAS, the amount appropriated for the years 1912 and 1913 was insufficient to meet this obligation; therefore,

Deficiency appro-
priation of
\$10,000.

Be It Resolved, that the sum of ten thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to pay the state's legal share of said bills, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 185.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF REDECORATING THE STATE LIBRARY
BUILDING.

Appropriation of \$2,000.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to repair the east inside wall of the state library building, redecorate the inside of said building, and buy new window shades and rugs therefor. Said sum shall be expended under the direction of the trustees of the state library after a careful examination into the best methods and the submission of bids for the work, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation of
\$2,000.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 186.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE COMPLETION OF CERTAIN HIGH-
WAYS HERETOFORE DESIGNATED.

Appropriation of \$300,000.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of three hundred thousand dollars, viz., one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the year ending August 31, 1916, and a like sum for the year ending August 31, 1917, be and hereby is appropriated for the completion of the several highways designated and known as the East Side, West Side and Merrimack Valley highways, and the cross lines known as the South Side road, the Rockingham road, and the Ossipee-Meredith road (viz., the road connecting the East Side and Merrimack Valley roads), and the governor is authorized to draw his warrants for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation of
\$300,000.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 187.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO MILLER PARK.

Preamble; state forestry commission to care for park.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, five acres of land, more or less, located in the towns of Peterborough and Temple on the summit of Pack Monadnock mountain, and known as the General Miller Park, belongs to the state of New Hampshire, having been conveyed to the state, B. P. Cheney, late of Peterborough, acting as trustee for the state, and whereas said trustee is now deceased, therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Forestry commis-
sion to care for
park.

THAT the state forestry commission is hereby authorized and directed to manage and care for this tract in accordance with section 20, chapter 128, Laws 1909.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 188.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND.

Appointment of investigating committee authorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Investigating com-
mittee authorized.

THAT the governor be authorized to appoint a committee of three to investigate the need and advisability of establishing an industrial institution for the blind, such committee to report their findings and recommendations to the general court of 1917, and that the governor be authorized to draw his warrant for the expenses of such investigation from any moneys not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved March 11, 1915.]

CHAPTER 189.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF REPAIRING SUGAR LOAF ROAD IN THE
TOWN OF ALEXANDRIA.

Annual appropriation of \$100.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of one hundred dollars be, and the same hereby is, appropriated for the repair of Sugar Loaf road in the town of Alexandria for the year 1915, and a like amount for the year 1916, the same to be expended by the selectmen under the direction of the state, and said appropriation shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905; and this joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Annual appropriation
of \$100.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 190.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF REPAIRING TUMBLEDOWN DICK ROAD IN
THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD.

Annual appropriation of \$100.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of one hundred dollars be, and the same hereby is, appropriated for the repair of Tumbledown Dick road in the town of Brookfield for the year 1915, and a like amount for the year 1916, the same to be expended by the selectmen under the direction of the state, and said appropriation shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905; and this joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Annual appropriation
of \$100.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 191.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE GRANITE STATE DEAF MUTE MISSION.

Annual appropriation of \$150.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual appropriation of \$150.

THAT the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars annually be appropriated for the years 1915 and 1916, for the use of the Granite State Deaf Mute Mission, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 192.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FREEDOM, EFFINGHAM, AND OSSISPEE CENTER ROAD, SITUATED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM.

Appropriation of \$1,500.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of \$1,500.

THAT the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated, on condition that the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars shall be appropriated and added by the town of Freedom, or by local parties, acting jointly and severally, for the repair and improvement of the Freedom, Effingham, and Ossipee Center road in the town of Freedom, beginning at the town line between the towns of Effingham and Freedom, and extending northeasterly to the state line between Maine and New Hampshire, a distance of about one and a half miles. The said sum of fifteen hundred dollars appropriated by the state and the said seven hundred and fifty dollars appropriated by the town and individuals shall be expended under the direction of the governor and council, and the said fifteen hundred dollars shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter

35, Laws of 1905; and this joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 193.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF REPAIRING ROBIN'S HILL ROAD IN THE TOWN OF CHATHAM.

Annual appropriation of \$100.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of one hundred dollars be, and the same hereby is, appropriated for the repair of Robin's Hill road in the town of Chatham for the year 1915, and a like amount for the year 1916, providing an equal sum is raised and appropriated by the town of Chatham for said years, to be expended as a joint fund by the selectmen under the direction of the state; and said sums are made a charge upon the maintenance fund, as provided by section 10, chapter 35, Laws 1905. Annual appropriation of \$100.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 194.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR CO-OPERATIVE AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION WORK BETWEEN THE NEW HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MECHANIC ARTS AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Preamble; agricultural extension work authorized.

WHEREAS, the congress of the United States has passed an act approved by the president, May 8, 1914, entitled "An act to provide for co-operative agricultural extension work between the agricultural colleges in the several states receiving the benefits of the act of congress approved July 2, 1862, and of acts supplementary thereto, and the United States department of agriculture," and, Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is provided in section 3 of the act aforesaid, that the grants of money authorized by this act shall be paid annually "to each state which shall by action of its legislature assent to the provisions of this act," therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Agricultural extension work authorized.

THAT the assent of the legislature of the state of New Hampshire be and is hereby given to the provisions and requirements of said act, and that the trustees of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to receive the grants of money appropriated under said act, and to organize and conduct agricultural extension work which shall be carried on in connection with the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, in accordance with the terms and conditions expressed in the act of congress aforesaid.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 195.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE THE TREASURER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MECHANIC ARTS AS THE CUSTODIAN OF FEDERAL FUNDS GRANTED TO SAID COLLEGE.

Preamble; treasurer designated to receive funds.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, the congress of the United States has passed an act approved by the president, May 8, 1914, entitled "An act to provide for co-operative agricultural extension work between the agricultural colleges in the several states receiving the benefits of the act of congress approved July 2, 1862, and of acts supplementary thereto, and the United States department of agriculture"; and

WHEREAS, it is provided in section 3 of the act aforesaid that the grants of money authorized by this act shall be paid annually "to each state which shall by action of its legislature assent to the provisions of this act"; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Treasurer designated.

THAT the treasurer of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts be and is hereby authorized to receive

the funds coming to the state under the provisions of the said act of congress and any other government funds designed for the specific use of the college.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 196.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR A DEFICIENCY IN THE PER DIEM
AND EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL.

Appropriation of \$3,500.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to provide for a deficiency in the per diem and expenses of the governor's council for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1915; and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. Appropriation of
\$3,500.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 197.

JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR REPAIRS ON BUILDINGS
ERECTED BY THE STATE FOR THE NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS'
ASSOCIATION AT THE WEIRS.

Appropriation of \$1,200.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of twelve hundred dollars be appropriated for the necessary repair of buildings erected by the state for the use of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association at The Weirs, the same to Appropriation of
\$1,200.

be expended by an agent to be appointed by the governor with advice of the council; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 198.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO MUNICIPAL FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

Tax commission to investigate and report.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Tax commission
to investigate and
report.

THAT the state tax commissioners shall make a special investigation, and report the results thereof, with such proposed legislation thereon as they deem necessary, to the next general court, relative to the indebtedness of towns, cities, and counties of the state, including loans made in anticipation of taxes, the amount and character of indebtedness incurred within and without the debt limit, so called, respectively, the amount of debt outstanding against which no sinking funds are being accumulated in accordance with law, the disposition made by cities and towns of funds left them in trust, and the kind and character of the records kept by the foregoing municipalities of their business and financial affairs. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, said commissioners may employ such additional assistance and may incur such incidental expenses as may be approved by the governor and council. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 199.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF IMPROVEMENTS IN THE STATE HOUSE
YARD.

Appropriation of \$5,000.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and hereby is appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the governor and council, for the purpose of relaying the walks in and about the state house yard, for the purpose of grading and fertilizing the lawn, and for such other improvements in and about the state house grounds as the governor and council may deem necessary, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. Appropriation of \$5,000.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 200.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR A BREAKWATER IN THE TOWN OF
HAMPTON.

Appropriation of \$5,000.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of five thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the construction and repair of a breakwater to protect the state boulevard in the town of Hampton, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money not otherwise appropriated. Appropriation of \$5,000.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 201.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE REPAIR OF THE SANDWICH NOTCH AND DALE ROAD IN THE TOWN OF SANDWICH.

Annual appropriation of \$400.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual appropriation of \$400.

THAT the sum of four hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the repair of the Sandwich Notch and Dale road in the town of Sandwich for each of the years 1915 and 1916, provided said town of Sandwich shall appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for each of said years, the said sums to be expended under the direction of the governor and council: The said sums of four hundred dollars shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 202.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR A DEFICIENCY IN THE EXPENSES OF CERTAIN DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS, OF THE STATE.

Appropriations aggregating \$2,057.68.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriations aggregating \$2,057.68.

THAT the sum of four hundred seventy dollars and sixty-eight cents be and is hereby appropriated to provide for a deficiency in the maintenance and running expenses of the School for Feeble-Minded Children for year ending August 31, 1914.

THAT the sum of eighty-seven dollars be and is hereby appropriated for a deficiency in the treasury department, for purchase of a surety bond, for year ending August 31, 1915.

THAT the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated for a deficiency in the cattle commission department for possible expenses of epidemic, for the year ending August 31, 1915.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 203.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE REPAIR OF THE SANDWICH NOTCH ROAD IN THE TOWN OF THORNTON.

Annual appropriation of \$100.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of one hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the repair of the Sandwich Notch road in the town of Thornton for the year 1915 and a like sum for the year 1916, the same to be expended under the direction of the governor and council, and the said sum shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905. Annual appropriation of \$100.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 204.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE DORMITORY AT THE KEENE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Appropriation of \$30,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of thirty thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated for completing the dormitory of the Keene normal school, for such repairs and remodeling of the other buildings of the school as may be necessary, and for providing proper furnishings for those buildings, said sum to be expended under the direction of whatever body is delegated with powers and duties as to construction of state buildings. The governor is authorized to draw his warrant for said appropriation out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. Appropriation of \$30,000.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 205.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF LESETTE GRAUPNER, MOTHER OF
ERNEST B. GRAUPNER, DECEASED.

Payment of salary and mileage authorized.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

Payment au-
thorized.

THAT the state treasurer be and hereby is authorized to pay to Lesette Graupner, mother of the late Ernest B. Graupner, of Manchester, and late a member of the house of representatives, the full salary and mileage due him as a member of the house of representatives.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 206.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE REPAIR OF THE
ROAD LEADING FROM ORFORD BRIDGE TO BAKER'S PONDS IN THE TOWN
OF ORFORD.

Annual appropriation of \$300.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

Annual appropria-
tion of \$300.

THAT the sum of three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the year 1915 and a like sum for 1916, for the repair of the road leading from Orford bridge to Baker's ponds in the town of Orford, provided said town shall appropriate a like sum for each year, the same to be expended under the direction of the governor and council; and the said sums shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 207.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR TAKING OVER CERTAIN LANDS IN THE TOWN OF
CONWAY.

Preamble; forestry commission to investigate conditions and acquire title.

WHEREAS, there is situated in the town of Conway a tract of land ^{Preamble.} containing sixty-nine hundred acres, more or less, of undivided land; and

WHEREAS, said tract of land has suffered from repeated unregulated timber cutting and fire, reducing its productive capacity; and

WHEREAS, the forestry commission is prepared to reforest and care for such land; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the forestry commission is hereby authorized and instructed to investigate, with the assistance of the attorney-general, the forest conditions, titles, boundaries, possibilities of reforestation and proper forest management, and any other conditions and circumstances pertaining to the transfer of said property to the state, and the commission is hereby authorized to acquire, at its option and approval, such common rights in said land as in its judgment can be secured upon terms favorable to the proper management of said tract as a state forest; but no expenditure for any of the purposes aforesaid shall be made unless the same shall have been approved by the governor and council.

Forestry commission to investigate conditions and acquire title.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 208.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF HARRY H. MELOON.

Appropriation of \$1,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of one thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated to pay Harry H. Meloon, of Manchester, county of Hills- ^{Appropriation of \$1,000.}

borough, state of New Hampshire, for the expense and loss which he has sustained by reason of the death of his minor child, Harry Meloon, who was accidentally shot on November 14, 1914, by the range keeper of the state rifle range, situate in Auburn, county of Rockingham, state of New Hampshire, while occupying and using said range for rifle practice, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; the said one thousand dollars being given in full satisfaction for said claim.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 209.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE REPAIR OF ROAD LEADING FROM LANCASTER
FIRE PRECINCT LINE THROUGH LANCASTER TO JEFFERSON.

Appropriation of \$2,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of
\$2,000.

THAT the sum of two thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, on condition that a like sum of two thousand dollars shall be added by the town of Lancaster, for the repair and improvement of the road leading from Lancaster Village Precinct line on the Riverton road, so called, through the town of Lancaster, to the Jefferson town line. The said sum of two thousand dollars appropriated by the state and the said two thousand dollars contributed by said town of Lancaster shall be expended under the direction of the governor and council, and the said sum of two thousand dollars appropriated by the state shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905; and this joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 210.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS AT THE
SCHOOL FOR FEEBLE-MINDED CHILDREN.

Appropriation of \$45,000.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT to provide additional accommodations at the school for feeble-minded children, the sum of forty-five thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of the erection of a building to be used as a dormitory for employees and securing therefor the necessary furnishing, connection with the central heating plant, lighting, plumbing, water facilities, and fire protection, to procure, install, and connect one additional boiler, and to construct a suitable horse barn and a hennery, if one may be constructed within this appropriation, at an expense in all not to exceed the sum of forty-five thousand dollars. Said buildings to be constructed in accordance with plans and specifications to be approved by the governor and council; said sum to be expended under the direction of the board of control or whatever body may be charged with the supervision of the management of said institution. The governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation of
\$45,000.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 211.

JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN DEFICIENCIES FOR THE YEAR
ENDING AUGUST 31, 1915.

Appropriations of \$50 and \$500.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of fifty dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the payment of the salary of the deputy register of probate for the county of Rockingham for the year ending August 31, 1915, and the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for a defi-

Appropriations of
\$50 and \$500.

ciency in the bounty on bears and grasshoppers, for the year ending August 31, 1915.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 212.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF FRANK A. MCDONNELL OF FRANKLIN.

Appropriation of \$300.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of \$300. THAT the sum of three hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated to pay Frank A. McDonnell, of Franklin, New Hampshire, for injuries sustained while serving in the New Hampshire National Guard on June 9, 1913, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 213.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PERMANENT HIGHWAY LEADING FROM PONTOOK FALLS IN DUMMER, THROUGH WEST MILAN, TO STARK.

Annual appropriation of \$500.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual appropriation of \$500. THAT the sum of five hundred dollars for the year 1915, and a like amount for the year 1916, be and the same hereby is appropriated for the permanent construction of the highway leading from the state highway in Dummer at Pontook Falls, through West Milan in the town of Milan, and across the new iron bridge recently

built in West Dummer to connect with the newly constructed permanent highway in the town of Stark, providing that the towns through which said highway runs and individual citizens shall appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for the year 1915 and a like amount for the year 1916, the same to be expended under the direction of the governor and council; and the said sums appropriated by the state are made a charge upon the maintenance funds, as provided by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 214.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE REPAIR OF LOST RIVER ROAD IN THE KINSMAN NOTCH.

Annual appropriation of \$5,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the widening and repair of the state road leading through Kinsman notch, in the towns of Woodstock and Easton, commonly known as the Lost River road, beginning at the Warren road in the town of Woodstock and extending to the terminal of the old highway in that part of the town of Easton commonly known as Wildwood, for the year ending August 31, 1916, and a like sum for the year ending August 31, 1917, the same to be expended under the direction of the governor and council, and the said sums appropriated are made a charge upon the maintenance fund as provided by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905. Should said maintenance fund be insufficient to meet said appropriation, then the said sums shall be paid out of the treasury from any funds not otherwise appropriated. Annual appropriation of \$5,000.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 215.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF JOHN N. HAINES AND OTHERS.

Allowances to sundry persons.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Allowances to
sundry persons.

THAT John N. Haines be allowed the sum of eleven dollars and sixty cents for defending his right to a seat in the senate of 1913, and John G. Parsons be allowed the sum of thirty-nine dollars and thirty-one cents for expenses incurred in defending his right to a seat in the senate of 1915.

THAT George W. Flint be allowed the sum of twenty dollars and twenty-three cents, that Ned G. English be allowed the sum of nineteen dollars and sixteen cents, that Tyler C. Sweatt be allowed the sum of fifteen dollars, that Fremont J. Campbell be allowed the sum of fifteen dollars, that George W. Brock be allowed the sum of thirty-eight dollars and forty-five cents, that Archie L. Jacques be allowed the sum of seventy dollars, that Ernest A. Lothrop be allowed the sum of eighty dollars, that Frank D. Hutchins be allowed the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars, that Herbert A. Moulton be allowed the sum of forty-four dollars and fifty-two cents, that Napoleon Turgeon be allowed the sum of thirty-eight dollars and eighty-six cents, that Everett J. Galloway be allowed the sum of fifty dollars, for expenses incurred by each of said persons in defending their rights, severally, to a seat in this house; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 216.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT OF THE STATE HIGHWAY LEADING FROM LITTLE DIAMOND POND TO BIG DIAMOND POND IN THE TOWN OF STEWARTSTOWN.

Annual appropriation of \$500.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual appropriation of \$500.

THAT the sum of five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the permanent improvement of the state highway

leading from Little Diamond pond to Big Diamond pond in the town of Stewartstown for the year 1915, and a like sum for the year 1916, the same to be expended under the direction of the governor and council; and the said sums shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 217.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE STATE HIGHWAY IN THE TOWN OF WAKEFIELD LEADING FROM EAST WAKEFIELD TO THE STATE LINE AT NEWFIELD, MAINE.

Annual appropriation of \$2,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of two thousand dollars for the year 1915 and two thousand dollars for the year 1916 is hereby appropriated, on condition that like sums shall be added by the town of Wakefield, or by local parties acting jointly or severally, for completing the state highway in said Wakefield, from East Wakefield to the line of the state of Maine at Newfield in said state. The said sums appropriated by the state and the said sums contributed shall be expended under the direction of the governor and council, and the said sums appropriated by the state shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905; and this joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Annual appropriation of \$2,000.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 218.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD LEADING FROM LANCASTER LINE THROUGH JEFFERSON TO RANDOLPH.

Appropriation of \$2,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of \$2,000. THAT the sum of two thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, on condition that the sum of two thousand dollars shall be added by the town of Jefferson, or by local parties acting jointly or severally, for the repair and improvement of the road leading from Lancaster town line, through the town of Jefferson, over Jefferson Hill and Jefferson Highlands, to Randolph town line. The said sum of two thousand dollars appropriated by the state and the said two thousand dollars contributed by towns and individuals shall be expended under the direction of the governor and council, and the said two thousand dollars appropriated by the state shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905; and this joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 219.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO MAKE AVAILABLE CERTAIN HIGHWAY MONEY.

Sum of \$50,000 made available.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Sum of \$50,000 made available.

THAT the sum of fifty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby made available for use in the construction of certain highways designated in a joint resolution approved March 10, 1915, entitled "Joint resolution to provide for the completion of certain highways heretofore designated;" the said sum to be appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and said sum shall be deducted from the amount appropriated in said resolution for the year ending August 31, 1916.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 220.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF REPAIRING THE PINKHAM WOODS ROAD
IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH AND MARTIN'S LOCATION.

Annual appropriation of \$1,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the repair of the Pinkham Woods road, a state highway between Randolph post-office and the Glen road, so called, in Martin's Location, for the year 1915, and a like amount for the year 1916, the same to be expended under the direction of the governor and council. The said sums appropriated are made a charge upon the maintenance funds, as provided by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905.

Annual appropriation of \$1,000.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 221.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD LEADING
FROM RANDOLPH LINE TO THE BOSTON & MAINE RAILROAD CROSSING
ON GORHAM HILL, SO CALLED, IN GORHAM.

Appropriation of \$2,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of two thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, on condition that the sum of two thousand dollars shall be added by the town of Gorham, for the repair and improvement of the road leading from the Randolph town line to the highway on Gorham hill, so called, in Gorham. The said sum of two thousand dollars appropriated by the state and the said two thousand dollars appropriated by the town shall be expended under the direction of the governor and council, and the said two thousand dollars appropriated by the state shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the permanent improvement of highways made by section 10, chapter 35, Laws of 1905; and this joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Appropriation of \$2,000.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 222.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY TO MAKE EFFECTIVE THE
LAWS AGAINST BRIBERY AT ELECTIONS.

Appropriation of \$2,500.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

Appropriation of \$2,500. THAT the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the biennial fiscal period ending August 31, 1917, to defray such expenses not now provided for by law as may be necessary for the prevention, detection, investigation, and prosecution of bribery at elections, to be expended under the direction and subject to the approval of the attorney-general, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrants to defray such expenses as the bills for the same, approved by the attorney-general, shall be presented. The word "elections" shall be construed to include all elections by popular or legislative vote. This appropriation shall be made applicable to the enforcement of any and all laws pertaining to political bribery and corrupt practices.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 223.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ERECTION AND EQUIPMENT OF
A DRILL SHED AT THE ARMORY IN PORTSMOUTH.

Appropriation of \$10,000.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

Appropriation of \$10,000. THAT a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting and equipping a drill shed in connection with the armory in the city of Portsmouth for the use of the National Guard located in said city; and the governor and council are hereby authorized to make all necessary contracts for construction, completion, and equipment of the same, and said sum shall be expended under their direction. The governor is authorized and directed to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 224.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE USE OF DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Annual appropriation of \$10,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT in recognition of the eminent service rendered by Dartmouth College in the cause of higher education and for the general advancement of learning, the sum of ten thousand dollars shall be appropriated and paid out of the state treasury to the trustees of Dartmouth College, on the warrant of the governor, on the first day of September each year for a period of two years next after the passage of this resolution, for use by said college in its educational work. This appropriation shall include ten scholarships each year for two years for the full prepaid annual tuition, at the disposal of the state, to be awarded to worthy students residents of New Hampshire. For the second year these scholarships may be awarded to the same or to different students. The students granted these scholarships shall be appointed by the governor and council on recommendation of the president of Dartmouth College and the superintendent of public instruction, and these students shall be chosen from the different counties of the state so far as this distribution is found practicable.

Annual appropriation of \$10,000.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 225.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE TREATMENT OF PERSONS AFFLICTED WITH TUBERCULOSIS, PARTICULARLY IN THE ADVANCED STAGES.

Free treatment provided for; annual appropriation of \$17,500.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages, who are unable to pay the cost of such treatment, and for the encouragement of the establishment and maintenance of sanatoria for the treatment of such persons,

Free treatment provided for; annual appropriation of \$17,500.

the state board of charities and correction be and hereby is authorized to engage free beds in such sanatoria or other places as have been approved by the state board of health, for the treatment of such persons as the state board of charities and correction may specify. Indigent consumptives, citizens of the state, who are unable to pay any part of the cost of said treatment, may be admitted to said free beds by the authority of the secretary of the state board of charities and correction in accordance with the ordinary regulations of said sanatoria. Persons in needy circumstances, who by themselves, relatives, or friends, are able to pay no more than part of the cost of said treatment, may be admitted to said sanatoria or other places and maintained and treated therein at the expense of the state to that extent that they cannot by themselves, relatives, or friends chargeable therefor, pay cash cost of treatment, when the state board of charities and correction so certify; and said board shall stipulate the proportion the state shall assume to pay. This act shall not be construed so as to deprive any person to whom aid is rendered of any right that he may have at the time of his admission to said sanatorium. To pay the expenses of engaging said free beds and assisting persons in needy circumstances to treatment in said sanatoria, a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand five hundred dollars for each of the years 1915 and 1916 is hereby appropriated, and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 226.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE MINUTE MEN.

Appropriation of \$200.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of
\$200.

THAT the sum of two hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated and turned over to the proper agents of the association known as Minute Men; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 227.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY TO ENCOURAGE THE SHEEP
INDUSTRY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Annual appropriation of \$500.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby annually appropriated to encourage the sheep industry in New Hampshire, said sum to be expended under the direction of the commissioner of agriculture with the advice and consent of the governor and council; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Annual appropriation of \$500.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 228.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE STATE PRISON.

Appropriation of \$3,000.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court convened:*

THAT the sum of three thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the construction of a new ice box and refrigerator, installation of a new steam heating plant in the prison tenement block, and enlarging and improving the hospital ward at the state prison; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation of \$3,000.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 229.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR DEFICIENCIES IN CERTAIN DEPARTMENTS.

Appropriations aggregating \$1,505.61.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriations
aggregating
\$1,505.61.

THAT the sum of one hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated for printing and one hundred and fifty dollars for the incidental account, in the executive department; that the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for miscellaneous repairs in the state house department; that the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the justices' expenses in the superior court department; that the sum of fifty dollars be appropriated for printing report of the labor commission; that the sum of two hundred five dollars and sixty-one cents be appropriated for printing the report of the attorney-general; and that the governor be authorized to draw his warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury not heretofore appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 230.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR AGRICULTURAL FAIRS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Appropriation of \$2,500.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of
\$2,500.

THAT the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for agricultural exhibits made at fairs incorporated under the laws of the state of New Hampshire where total premiums paid for agricultural exhibits the preceding year were five hundred dollars or over. Said sums shall be expended by the commissioner of agriculture under such rules and regulations as he

may direct, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 231.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR INCREASING AND PROTECTING THE OYSTER BEDS IN GREAT BAY AND ITS TRIBUTARIES.

Instruction to fish and game commission.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the New Hampshire fish and game commission is hereby instructed to communicate with the United States bureau of fisheries, with the view of increasing and protecting the oyster beds in Great Bay and its tributaries, if within the province of said bureau. Instruction to fish and game commission.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 232.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE SAMUEL J. BLODGETT.

Payment of salary and mileage authorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the state treasurer be and hereby is authorized to pay to the estate of the late Samuel J. Blodgett, member of the house from Fitzwilliam, the full salary and mileage due him as a member of the house of representatives. Payment authorized.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 233.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF APPROPRIATING THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THE REPRESENTATION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE GROWN FRUIT AT THE NEW ENGLAND FRUIT SHOW.

Appropriation of \$300.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of \$300.

THAT the sum of three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the New Hampshire Horticultural Society for the expenses and premiums on New Hampshire grown fruit at the New England fruit show to be held in Boston, Massachusetts, in the fall of 1915. Under this resolution, the New Hampshire Horticultural Society is authorized to use said funds, or such part thereof as may seem to them to be necessary, in the purchase of New Hampshire grown fruit for exhibition at said fruit show, in case suitable fruit is not offered. The aforesaid society shall be responsible to the commissioner of agriculture for the expenditure of this appropriation. The governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 234.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS AT THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE HOSPITAL.

Appropriation of \$85,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of \$85,000.

THAT to provide additional accommodations for the care, control, and treatment of insane persons, the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of the erection of a building for patients, and securing therefor the necessary furnishing and heating, at an expense not exceeding eighty-five thousand dollars, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the state architect, to be approved by the governor and council, said sum to be expended under the direction of the board

of control or whatever body may be charged with the supervision of the management of said institution; and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 235.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE CALLING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Sense of voters to be taken.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the officers of the towns and cities of this state who are by law required to warn meetings for the election of state senators shall expressly insert in the warrants calling a meeting for the next election of senators an article which shall provide for taking the sense of the qualified voters of the state on the subject of a revision of the constitution during the year 1918; and the secretary of state shall so prepare the ballots which shall be used at said election that an opportunity shall be given for an expression of the sense of the voters upon the question.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 236.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO MAKE CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Appropriation of \$2,500.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of making certain alterations and

improvements to the kitchen and dining-room facilities in the main building at the Industrial School, said sum to be expended by the board of control or by whatever body may be charged with the supervision of the management of said institution. The governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 237.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE NEW HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MECHANIC ARTS, FOR THE ERECTION OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER PURPOSES.

Appropriation of \$164,000.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Appropriation of
\$164,000.

THAT the sum of one hundred and sixty-four thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, said appropriation to be expended as follows: Sixty thousand dollars of said appropriation is to be expended for the erection of a dormitory or commons (as the trustees may deem most necessary) and the equipment of the same, for the housing and accommodations of the students, said building to be erected under the direction and supervision of the governor and council from plans approved by the trustees of the college; six thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the years ending August 31, 1916, and August 31, 1917, for co-operative agricultural extension work under the provisions of the Smith-Lever act, viz., twenty-one hundred dollars for the year ending August 31, 1916, and thirty-nine hundred dollars for the year ending August 31, 1917; the sum of ninety-eight thousand dollars (the balance of said appropriation) is to be expended for the maintenance and current expenses of said college, and other necessary items connected with the college. And the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 238.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE SALARIES OF THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND HIS ASSISTANTS, FOR THE BALANCE OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

Use of unexpended balances authorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT the unexpended balances of the several appropriations for the expense of the administration of the legacy tax law for the year ending August 31, 1915, may be used, in so far as it may be necessary, for the payment of the salaries of the assistant attorney-general and his assistants for the same period, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for such payment out of said appropriations. Unexpended
balances available.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 239.

Sundry allowances for services, expenses, and supplies.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF WALTER J. A. WARD, WILLIAM H. KNOX AND OTHERS.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

THAT Walter J. A. Ward, sergeant-at-arms, be allowed the sum of \$372; that William H. Knox, sergeant-at-arms be allowed the sum of \$372; that Rev. Edward A. Durham, chaplain, be allowed the sum of \$322; that M. J. Dimond, custodian, John M. T. Currier, George Lawrence, Guy S. Neal, and Harry J. A. Robinson, doorkeepers, Charles W. Townsend and George A. Kemp, wardens, Fred W. Lamb, messenger, Mott L. Bartlett, telephone messenger, William E. Dow, judiciary messenger, Bernard B. Chase, messenger, Wm. Mack Cummings, assistant messenger, George H. Magoon, doorkeeper, and Eugene P. Cullerot, telephone messenger, be allowed the sum of \$322 each; that Bessie A. Callaghan, Ella M. Wardner, Lizzie H. Sanborn, Rose M. Buzzell, Mary A. Norton Sundry allowances
for services, ex-
penses, and
supplies.

and Bessie A. Clark, stenographers, be allowed the sum of \$368 each; that Frank M. Kenna, Edward DeLacombe, Franklin J. Minah, and Raymond W. Carter, pages be allowed the sum of \$184 each; that Alphonse W. Vigneault be allowed the sum of \$184; that Edgar Wright be allowed the sum of \$368; that Edward L. Lydiard, speaker's page, be allowed the sum of \$230; that the John B. Clarke Company, be allowed the sum of \$600.12; that the Union-Leader Company be allowed the sum of \$531.98; that the Monitor and Statesman Company be allowed the sum of \$552.14; that the New Hampshire Patriot Company be allowed the sum of \$483.75; that the Telegraph Publishing Company be allowed the sum of \$25.12; that Olin H. Chase be allowed the sum of \$1.86; that the Times Publishing Company be allowed the sum of \$4.15; that the Portsmouth Herald Company be allowed the sum of \$3.72; that the Rochester Courier be allowed the sum of \$1.86; that Foster's Democrat be allowed the sum of \$3.72; that the Keene Sentinel Company be allowed the sum of \$1.75; that M. J. Dimond be allowed the sum of \$4.50; that Fred W. Lamb be allowed the sum of \$2.92; that the Remington Typewriter Company, by the appropriation committee, be allowed the sum of \$8.50; that Ray E. Burkett be allowed the sum of \$10.50; that the Cragg Bindery be allowed the sum of \$30.75; that Thompson & Hoague be allowed the sum of \$13.35; that the Toilet Supply Company be allowed the sum of \$13.50; that N. C. Nelson & Company be allowed the sum of \$3.00; that the G. L. Lincoln Furniture Company be allowed the sum of \$15; that the J. M. Stewart & Sons Company be allowed the sum of \$480.67; Brown & Saltmarsh be allowed the sum of \$47.45; that the Sanitary Paper Cup Company (payable to purchasing agent) be allowed the sum of \$31.40; that A. H. Britton & Company be allowed the sum of \$93.65; that Smith B. Harrington be allowed the sum of \$25; that the Underwood Typewriter Company be allowed the sum of \$24; that George D. Fitts be allowed the sum of \$4; that George Brock be allowed the sum of \$50; that W. P. Goodman be allowed the sum of \$23.35; that Robert Capstick be allowed the sum of \$12; that Edson C. Eastman be allowed the sum of \$591.09; that Thompson & Hoague be allowed the sum of \$22.60; that E. A. Lothrop be allowed the sum of \$30; that the John B. Varick Company be allowed the sum of \$47.75; that the Underwood Typewriter Company be allowed the sum of \$16; that William D. Chandler be allowed the sum of \$72; that John Carter & Company be allowed the sum of \$1.22; that the Toilet Supply Company be allowed the sum of \$8.80; that H. W. Burleigh be allowed the sum of \$4.20; that M. L. Schenck be allowed the sum of \$3.10; that Edwin H. Shannon be allowed the sum of \$50; that R. M. Weeks be allowed the sum of \$130.25; that the forestry commission be allowed the sum of \$45.50; that Harrie M. Young and Earl C. Gor-

don, clerk of the House and Senate, respectively, be allowed the sum of \$200 each, and that Bernard W. Carey, assistant clerk of the House, and Thomas P. Cheney 2d, assistant clerk of the Senate, be allowed the sum of \$100, each; that Hale Chadwick be allowed the sum of \$22 in full for his claim; that Francis H. Buffum be allowed the sum of \$105.54, in full for his claim; that the sum of \$412.50 be allowed William H. Haggett for services; that Ray E. Burkett be allowed the sum of \$12 for rent of typewriter; that Frank J. Beal be allowed the sum of \$39.68.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 240.

AN ADDRESS FOR THE REMOVAL OF JOSEPH WARREN, INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.

To His Excellency, Rolland H. Spaulding, Governor of the State of New Hampshire:

The senate and house of representatives in general court convened, satisfied that the public good requires that Joseph Warren, insurance commissioner, should no longer hold and retain said office, respectfully address and request Your Excellency, with the consent of the council, to remove therefrom said Joseph Warren.

Removal of insurance commissioner.

[Passed January 12, 1915.]

CHAPTER 241.

NAMES CHANGED.

From January, 1913, to January, 1915, the registers of probate returned to the secretary of state the following names changed by the probate court:

By probate courts.

Rockingham county—Dora Cardin to Dora Roy; Rosanna Cardin to Rosanna Roy; Margaret Isabell Jackson to Margaret Isabell Morrill; Bridget Doherty to Beatrice Josephine Trickey; Margaret J. Russell to Margaret J. Goodwin; Margaret E. Danielson to Margaret Ellen O'Brien; Francis Ward Ringey to Francis Ward Woodman; Gladys May Fisher to Gladys May Wylie; Dorothy A.

Rockingham.

Robinson to Dorothy May Frizzell; Alice Noa Maloney to Alice Nora Nichols; William Franklin Thibeault to William Franklin Tabor; Gertrude M. Haselton to Gertrude Haselton Felch; Gordon Sumner Hewins to Arthur Frank Bragdon; Geraldine Cornell Quimby to Frances Geraldine Philbrick; Greta Victoria Swenson to Greta Victoria Kellenbeck; Margaret Hebert (alias Marguerite Casey) to Margaret Jeannette Parker; Eugene Reginald Craner to Eugene Reginald Morrissey; George Henry Crainer to George Jackson Newick; John Fenwick to John Robinson; Doctrus Fountaine to Lionel Labbé; Joseph Anthony McCaffery to Joseph Anthony Long; Minnie H. Freeman to Minnie H. Jones; John William McKenzie to Walter Young; Stella Brown to Virginia A. Desmond; Betty Coltert to Marion Elaine Campbell; Walter Francis Irving to Walter Francis Purington; Mattie B. Lane to Mattie B. Dodge; Margaret A. Wallace to Irene M. Boyle.

Strafford.

Strafford county—William Gracey to William Gracey Hayes; William M. Peaker to William M. Peaker Haigh; Amy Mills to Amy Olive Gould; Dorothy May Percy to Dorothy May Twombly; Robert Philbrick to Robert Philbrick Laskey; Marie Mildrea Boucher to Marie Mildrea Moreau; Clara A. Williams to Clara A. Perkins; Winifred G. Baxter to Ebbie Gertrude Goodwin; George Richmond to George Richmond Mills; Harilava Hoolis to Harilava Hoolis; Napoleon Ruel to Napoleon Victor Lanctot; Esther Green to Ruth Berry; Eva M. McDuffee to Eva Marion Whipple; Addie Gertrude Hurd to Adelaid Gertrude Hurd.

Belknap.

Belknap county—Hazel M. Grey to Hazel M. Willy; Bernard B. Kimball to Bernard B. Simpson; Erline Amelia Hubbell to Eleanor Gertrude Frye (Adpt.); Alfred Bowen to Alfred Francis Carroll (Adpt.); Edgar B. Prescott to Edgar Brown Prescott; Robert Dee to Robert Dee Twombly (Adpt.); Paul Gilbert Como to Paul Gilbert Brown (Adpt.); Elmer Frank Sinclair Frost to Elmer Sinclair Frost (Adpt.); Gladys Cota to Gladys Lottie Hale (Adpt.); Josephine S. Kimball to Josephine S. Place; John Wendall Wheeler to Wendall John Carleton; Dorothy Smith to Gladys Granger (Adpt.); Fred Risberg Barnstead to Fred R. Kenison (Adpt.); Clara S. Twombly to Clara S. Salway (Adpt.); Elva Anthus Lavois to Elva Anthus O'Hearn.

Carroll.

Carroll county—Ernest W. Babb to Ernest Henderson Swift; John Edward Brown to Edmund Bickford Emerson; Addie B. Gilman to Addie Hayes; Maude C. Morse to Clara Maude Quimby; Eva P. Nichols to Eva P. Perkins; Beatrice P. Remick to Beatrice P. Morgan; Lena A. Wentworth to Lena E. Avery.

Merrimack.

Merrimack county—Noah Rollins Edmunds to Noah Goss Edmunds; Samuel Franklin Jenkins to Frank Samuel Jenkins; Hattie F. King to Hattie F. Liscomb; Lizzie Etta Foote to Lizzie Etta Bushey; Leonard Bushey Foote to Leonard Boast Bushey; George

M. Nichols to Harland Cutler Tyrrel; Daisy Ione Wotton to Daisy Ione Young; Louise H. Howe to Louise H. Folsom; Nora Woolridge to Nora Dennis; Ella May Woolridge to Ella May Dennis; Ruth Adaline Shattuck to Esther Ruth Adeline Shattuck; Blanche D. Davis to Blanche D. Silver; George G. Davis to George G. Silver; Catherine E. Davis to Catherine E. Silver; Carl Stuart Cameron to Carl Stuart French; Mary Yvonne Chase to Margaret Rice; Mary Elizabeth Symes to Mary Elizabeth Hill; Annie Gladys Phillips to Gladys Phillips French; Ruby A. Bedard to Ruby A. Wilcox; William Gallant to William Gallant Bishopric; Lucille A. McCormick to Elizabeth Lucille McKittrick; Marion Davis to Marion Davis Fiske; Margaret J. West to Margaret J. Benedict; Jason Williams Moffat to Bruce R. Edmunds; Roscoe Duplace to Roscoe Weeks; Ella May Hopkins to Pansy Ivy Tucker; Earle Cyrille Davenport to Earle Cyrille Dostaler; Harry L. Morrison to Harry L. Blackman; Ruth Addie Spencer to Ruth Addie Lewis; Marguerite E. Echard to Marguerite Echard West; Herbert Manchester to Eugene Ford Symes; Edwin Warren Moise Guyol to Alexander Patterson Guyol.

Hillsborough county—Etta Burroughs to Helen Velora Burroughs; Philip Butler to Philip Brennan; Emily Tack to Emily Mons; August Tack to August Mons; Barbara Dumarest to Doris May St. John; Elmore Raymond Hatch to Elmore Raymond Martin; Donald Raymond Welcome to Raymond Thomas; Madeline Miller to Madeline Cate; Thelma Bailey to Thelma Staples; Martha Anna Stiegler to Martha Anna Hohman; Catherine E. Sargent to Catherine E. Sells; Violet Irene Pribble to Violet Irene Williams; Henry F. Quigley to Joseph A. Cote; Rose Robarge to Mary Rose Breton; Rose LeClair to Dorothy M. Goslant; Francis Tierney to Henry V. Freddette; Virginia M. Mugridge to Virginia M. Smith; Max Pick to Max Pick Eames; Bertha Desrosiers to Bertha Bernier; Fernand Desrosiers to Fernand Bernier; L. Ada Fitch to Ettelar Ardella Eaton; Mamie Louise Dame to Madeline Richardson; Helen Bertha Brown to Bernice Marchia Wheeler; Francis Hebert to Francis Bourgeois; Madeline M. Bodge to Madeline Josephine Gilmore; Henry J. Farladeau to Clarence Morritts; Hazel Barney to Hazel Philbrick; Leonard Francis Stevens to Leonard Charles Gove; Joseph Bronillette to Rosario J. Lasalle; Abraham Ames to Elzear Walker Hewes; Harold Bullard Neeland to Harold Bullard Tarbell; Leola D. Waldron to Elizabeth Waldron Locke; Andrew P. Crooker to Andrew Jackson Crooker, Jr.; John Ordway to John Whitman; Harold Hanly to Harold Francis Nicolson; Carl A. Gustafson to Carl Gus Davison; Bernard George Moran to Benjamin Bernard George Moran; Theresa Pearl Shedd to Eva Theresa Pearl Mabel Shedd; Mabel Vaughn Young to Mabel Vaughn Shaw; Raymond Chester Nute to Raymond Ches-

ter Wright; William Roy McAllaster to William Riddle McAllaster; Wladislav Chernevski to Edward Wladislav Chernes; Flossie M. Carter to Flossie M. Griswold; Ella S. Carey to Ella S. Wood; Otto Geprge Carl Merkel to Otto Carl Merkel; Louis Hyman Anzeleviz to Louis Hyman Ansell; Robert Morrill Colby to Robert Morrill Blaisdell; Israel Bootoovsky to Israel Davis; Evah Pelerin to Evah Traver; Paul H. Bootoovsky to Paul H. Davis; Jacob Bootoovsky to Jacob Davis; Abraham Sukenick to Abraham Koenig; Margaret Curtis Reynolds to Margaret May Curtis; Mary E. MeAteer to Mary L. Devine.

Cheshire.

Cheshire county—Gertrude Severance to Gertrude Bishop; Arthur J. Butters to Arthur Butters Wessell; Charles Gale Newton to Charles Gale Brown; Nellie Maria Judd to Nellie Maria Slate; Winnie Emma Buzzell to Winnie Emma Hobbs; Fred Henry Kellogg to Fred Henry Stalbrid; John Dawes to Alfred Henry May; Richard B. MacKay to Richard Abbott Martin; Hattie Stevens Currier to Hattie Stevens Willson; Helna Tresa to Helena Thresa Cunningham; ——— Asikainen to Carl Einar Mattson; Ella Mary Matthews to Ella Mary Porter; Doris May Cohen to Doris May St. John; Laura Belle Ledwick to Laura Belle Snow; Lena Jane Jaffrey to Lena May Edson; Levi Parker to Elie Paquins; Alice L. Staples to Alice L. Taylor; Sadie May Towne to Sadie May Fisher.

Sullivan.

Sullivan county—John E. Blish to John Edward Southworth.

Grafton.

Grafton county—Albert Cohn to Albert Marian Cohn McMasters; Francis Ellen Dunham to Frances Ellen Wright; Raymond Everett Day to Raymond Everett Loud; Madeline Fair to Madeline Elizabeth Rivers; Martha E. Fletcher to Laurie Ann Morse; William H. Goodwin to William H. Quebec; Ada Blanche Gould to Ada Blanche Gould; Frank Melzer Gardner to Francis W. Gardner; Dorothy Gormley to Shirley Lauristine Rising; Leah Jordon to Leah Jordon Wells; Besse Kendall to Bessie Maud Parker; Daisy M. LeClair to Daisy M. Titus; Hattie L. Lashua to Hattie L. McMahon; Francis Marion Lamare to Mary Ellen Wood; Patricia McDougal to Patricia H. Gleason; Alice A. Maxham to Alice A. Clark; William Mallard to William Town Caswell; Wallace Mallard to Wallace Calley Caswell; Grace L. Manley to Grace L. Churchill; Harriett Ann Pellerin to Harriett Ann Stone; Ada Amelia Stevens to Ada Amelia Steere; Shirley Edward Spaulding to Shirley Edward Spaulding; Clara L. H. Tyler to Clara L. H. Hutchins; Hilda Zeta Tyler to Zeta Hilda Bowman.

Coos.

Coos county—Andrew Lindquist to Andrew Lindquist Snow; William Bacon Watson to William Barton Watson; Ida M. Lord to Ida M. Booth; Harry Tardif to Harry Roy; Glenwood Doane to Glenwood Arleigh Smith; Mary Landry to Ada Estelle McCutcheon; Margaret Rita Hunt to Margaret Rita Hicks; Sarah May Hunt.

to Sarah May Otto; ——— Pierce to Irene Savoy; Velma Dyer to Velma Cole; Clinton Chester Hunt to Clinton Chester McIntire; Frank Lewis to Francis Roger Foley; Louis Joseph Francis Campaign to Louis Joseph Francis McCann; Minnie Belle Hunt to Minnie Belle Stillings; Cathleen Grace Grapes to Cathleen Grace Lea.

From January, 1913, to January, 1915, the registers of probate returned to the secretary of state the following names changed by the superior court in divorce proceedings: By superior courts.

Rockingham county—Josie M. Towle to Josie Mabel Robie; Fannie I. Scanlan to Fannie I. Palmeter; Maude B. Ramsdell to Maude Buswell Seaver; Eva L. Trefethen to Eva Louise Thurston; Izella E. Murby to Izella E. St. Clair; Matie E. Duffy to Matie E. Wilcox; Gertrude M. Marison to Gertrude M. Otis; Georgie E. McGlone to Georgie E. Danforth; Ida M. Estey to Ida M. Goddard; G. Hazel Dow to Gertrude H. McAllister; Katherine R. Buteau to Katherine R. Byers; Alice L. Hunt to Alice L. Marshall; Sarah F. Starkey to Sarah Frances Carlton; Grace F. Richards to Grace Frances Chase; Annie E. Neukom to Annie E. Hogan. Rockingham

Strafford county—Bernice H. Lord to Bernice M. Hill; Edith W. Varney to Edith W. Wyatt; Grace E. Greenwood to Grace E. Moore; Alma F. Prescott to Alma F. Tebbetts; Ethel R. Emmons to Ethel R. Goodwin; Caroline Clarke to Caroline Day; Bertha M. Hayes to Bertha M. Richards; Effie M. Drew to Effie M. Thurston; Mary E. Currier to Mary E. Hackett; Ida S. Samuel to Ida S. Hill; Jessie M. Davis to Jessie M. Chapman; Ernestine Pelletier Felton to Ernestine Pelletier; Lena Schur to Lena Torno; Nellie Mildred Chandler to Nellie Mildred Perkins; Maude May Marshall to Maude May Hall; Emma Hurlburt to Emma Tauwalt; Clara A. England to Clara A. Wentworth. Strafford.

Belknap county—Mary R. Swain to Mary R. Wright; Mary Gloddy to Mary Brake; Ella M. Nichols to Ella M. Reed; Clara L. Tibbetts to Clara L. Emery; Nettie L. Holmes to Nettie L. Lull. Belknap.

Carroll county—Lucy Benway to Lucy Edwards; Annie G. Irving to Annie G. Shaw; Minnie C. Bryant to Minnie C. Hathaway. Carroll.

Merrimack county—Ethel Symonds to Ethel Morse; Sarah A. Gilkerson to Sarah A. Littlefield; Hope R. Smith to Hope Roberts; Ella M. Atwood to Ella M. Wilson; Orpha H. Gibson to Orpha H. Drew; Mina O'Clair to Mina Young; Martha A. Murphy to Martha A. Sinotte; Ida B. Royce to Ida B. Welch; Florence V. Canfield to Florence V. Pierce; Ethel M. Trow to Ethel M. Jones; Hannah S. Willis to Hannah S. McFarland; Nellie E. Burnham to Nellie E. Brown; Helen L. Page to Helen L. Rogers; Susie Halloran to Susie Merrimack.

Proud; Jennie O'Brien to Jennie McClure; Jennie L. Langley to Jennie L. Ordway; Minnie L. Gregory to Minnie L. Hustus; Eva M. Silver to Eva M. Drew; Luella Cole to Luella A. Bodwell.

Hillsborough.

Hillsborough county—Mary J. Battis to Mary J. Lavoie; Gladys M. Oshier to Gladys M. Cox; Marion Rivard to Marion Whitmore; Annie McQueeney to Annie Farmer; Florence M. Bailey to Florence Hosmer; Freada M. Irving to Freada M. Gould; Stella M. Bennett to Stella M. Jones; Margaret A. Harmon to Margaret A. Norris; Lizzie McDonald to Lizzie Bennett; Bertha C. Mann to Bertha C. Folsom; Goldie May Ingram to Goldie May Webster; Anna Milne to Anna Dumas; Lillian C. Sullivan to Lillian C. Currier; Rose Etta Gault to Rose Etta Webber; May N. Wilson Dickey to May N. Wilson; Letta Bryant to Letta Jane Titus; Marguerite E. Fortin to Marguerite E. Sylvain; Charlotte M. Moody to Charlotte M. Bell; Jane F. Strickford to Jane F. Finno; Helen G. Dane to Helen G. Holt; Hattie F. McArdle to Hattie F. Erb; Emily Healey to Emily Warren; Lillian May Hammond to Lillian May Dunklee; Winnifred Jacobs to Winnifred Annis; Minnie F. Cook to Minnie F. Foote; Helen D. Christian to Helen D. Kingsbury; Eva M. Barclay to Eva M. Lamper; Bessie G. Collins to Bessie G. Hartt; Diana Binette to Diana Carrier; Anna A. Heath to Anna A. Bailey; Mamie Celina Perkins to Mamie Celina Whitmore; Hilda S. LeClair (alias Sophie H. LeClair) to Hilda S. Youngquist; Lillian P. Brown to Lillian Pearl Durgin; Susie M. Needham to Susie M. Watson; Alma J. Coulombe to Alma J. Lake; Mildred A. Putney to Mildred A. Trull; Carrie M. Byrne to Carrie M. Stearns; Cora B. Nelson to Cora B. Goodale; Minnie L. Austin to Minnie Alexander; Delima Agnes Denoncour to Delima Nichols; Mary B. Belanger to Mary B. Brewer; Clara Bóurrassa to Clara Boulduc.

Cheshire.

Cheshire county—Flora Brown to Flora Sheahan; Elmira M. Ward to Elmira M. Barcomb; Amelia D. Smith to Amelia L. Dorman; Edith Burbank Farr to Edith Burbank; Lora M. Moores to Lora M. Norton; Mertina E. Smith to Mertina E. Mahon; Cora L. Goode to Cora L. Thompson.

Sullivan.

Sullivan county—S. Bernice Kent to Sarah Bernice Richardson; Kitty S. Bull to Kitty M. Pike; Cora M. Tibbetts to Cora M. Willard; Stella Mae Engberg to Stella Mae Rowell; Helen E. Emerson to Helen E. Hall; Louise M. Lavalley to Louise M. Murphy; Caroline E. M. Lemere to Caroline E. Marston.

Grafton.

Grafton county—Bessie Grace Hodgerner to Bessie Grace Parker; Georgia A. Smith to Georgia A. Williams; Clara B. Avery to Clara B. Freeman; Eleanora E. York to Eleanora E. Lowell.

Coos.

Coos county—Mabel L. Larabee to Mabel L. Thomas; Mary D. Tatrot to Mary D. Ames; Bessie Hall Streeter to Bessie A. Hall; Goldie Y. Fuller to Goldie Y. Smith; Eva E. Collins to Eva E. Pilbro.

PRIVATE ACTS.

CHAPTER 242.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF CONCORD TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRANTING OF ITS CHARTER.

SECTION

1. Authority granted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Concord is hereby authorized to appropriate money for the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the granting of its charter as the parish or town of Concord. Authority granted.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved February 3, 1915.]

CHAPTER 243.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE BIENNIAL ELECTIONS HELD ON THE THIRD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1914, IN THE TOWNS OF BARNSTEAD, BRADFORD, BROOKLINE, CANTERBURY, HOPKINTON, LANDAFF, PITTSBURG, SPRINGFIELD, AND SULLIVAN.

SECTION

1. Elections legalized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That the votes and proceedings at the biennial elections held on the third day of November, 1914, in the towns of Barnstead, Bradford, Brookline, Canterbury, Hopkinton, Landaff, Pitts- Elections legalized.

burg, Springfield, and Sullivan be and hereby are legalized and confirmed.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 3, 1915.]

CHAPTER 244.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRANTING OF ITS CHARTER.

SECTION

1. Authority granted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Authority granted.

SECTION 1. The town of Hopkinton is hereby authorized to appropriate money for the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the granting of its charter as the town of Hopkinton.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 245.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN OF HOLDERNESS AT THE BIENNIAL ELECTION HELD NOVEMBER 3, 1914.

SECTION

1. Election legalized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Election legalized.

SECTION 1. That the biennial election in the town of Holderness, held November 3, 1914, and all votes and proceedings at said meeting, be and the same are hereby legalized, ratified, and confirmed.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 246.

AN ACT TO REGULATE TIME OF PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS APPOINTED BY POLICE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER.

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| SECTION
1. Compensation payable semi-monthly. | SECTION
2. Repealing clause; act takes effect March 1, 1915. |
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The compensation fixed by the police commissioners of the city of Manchester, to be paid to the police officers and superior officers appointed by them, shall be paid to said officers semi-monthly. Compensation payable semi-monthly.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect March 1, 1915. Repealing clause; act takes effect March 1, 1915.

[Approved February 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 247.

AN ACT LEGALIZING THE BIENNIAL ELECTION OF THE TOWN OF WAKEFIELD HELD NOVEMBER 3, 1914.

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| SECTION
1. Election legalized. | SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage. |
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That whereas the warrant for the biennial election of the town of Wakefield in the county of Carroll, held on the third day of November, 1914, was not posted the full number of days required by statute prior to said biennial election, and whereas said meeting and election were legal in all other respects, it is hereby enacted that all acts done and elections made and declared at said meeting be and hereby are legalized and shall have the same force and effect as though said warrant had been posted the full number of days required by statute prior to said meeting and election, and they are hereby fully ratified, legalized, and confirmed. Election legalized.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved February 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 248.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE LACONIA LODGE, NO. 876, OF THE BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS.

SECTION

1. Corporation constituted.
2. Right to hold property and make by-laws.

SECTION

3. First meeting.
4. Subject to repeal.
5. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Corporation constituted.

SECTION 1. That C. Orrin Downing, Arthur D. O'Shea, John M. Morin, Lawrence B. Holt, Nat. L. Mitchel, Charles F. Shastany, Harry H. Hawkins, John W. Kirkman, Joseph T. Guay, Arthur W. Spring, and David W. Gero, all of Laconia in the county of Belknap and state of New Hampshire, and their associate members of said lodge, and their successors, be and they are hereby made a body politic and corporate by the name of Laconia Lodge, No. 876, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Laconia, N. H.

Right to hold property and make by-laws.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may purchase, take, and hold by deed, gift or devise, or otherwise, real and personal estate in the name of the corporation to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), and may improve, sell, and convey the same property at its pleasure. They shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to the same duties as corporations of a similar nature, and may make such by-laws and regulations as they are authorized to make by the Grand Lodge of the Order not inconsistent with the laws of this state, and may perform any other business not inconsistent with the rules of the Grand Lodge or the statutes of this state.

First meeting.

SECT. 3. The exalted ruler of the lodge may call the first meeting of the corporation at such time and place and in such manner as he deems proper, at which meeting all necessary officers shall be chosen.

Subject to repeal.

SECT. 4. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever the public good may require.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved February 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 249.

AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER.

SECTION

1. Common council abolished.
2. Disapproval of appropriations by mayor; veto, when to be exercised.

SECTION

3. Repealing clause; act takes effect first Tuesday of January, 1916.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The common council of the city of Manchester is hereby abolished and all the powers now by law vested in said common council are hereby vested in the board of mayor and aldermen of said city, to be exercised by said board of mayor and aldermen in addition to all the existing powers of said board.

SECT. 2. The mayor shall have the right to disapprove, or reduce in amount, any item of any appropriation, or any portion of the amount of any proposed loan or indebtedness, and the mayor, in case he shall disapprove the whole or any part of any resolution or vote of the board to raise or appropriate money by taxation or otherwise, shall exercise his power of veto thereof within five days after the resolution or vote shall have been presented to him; otherwise such resolution or vote shall become effective and binding.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect at the expiration of the term of office of the present council, on the first Tuesday of January, 1916.

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 250.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE BIBLE SOCIETY.

SECTION 1. May distribute Bibles, etc., gratuitously.	SECTION 2. Takes effect on passage and adoption.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

May distribute Bibles, etc., gratuitously.

SECTION 1. The New Hampshire Bible Society, in pursuance of its object to circulate more extensively the Holy Scriptures, may procure and distribute gratuitously among the destitute and needy, or sell at reduced prices, Bibles, Testaments, and other portions of the Scriptures of the present received versions, and such books as help to a better understanding of the Scriptures; and, in case the funds of the society shall admit, may also aid in translating and printing the Holy Scriptures for charitable distribution.

Takes effect on passage and adoption.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage and its adoption by the said society.

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 251.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF ORFORD TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRANTING OF ITS CHARTER.

SECTION 1. Authority granted.	SECTION 2. Takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Authority granted.

SECTION 1. The town of Orford is hereby authorized to appropriate money for the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the granting of its charter as the town of Orford.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 252.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE HILLSBOROUGH BRIDGE CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETY.

SECTION
1. Name changed.

SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That the name of the Hillsborough Bridge Congre-^{Name changed.}gational Society be changed, and that its name shall hereafter be the Smith Memorial Congregational Society.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and ^{Takes effect on}after its passage. _{passage.}

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 253.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CAPITAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK.

SECTION
1. Increase authorized.

SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The Capital Fire Insurance Company is hereby au-^{Increase}thorized and empowered to increase its capital stock to an amount ^{authorized.}not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Such increase may be made from time to time by a majority vote at any stockholders' meeting, the call for which shall give notice of such purpose, and may also be made in the manner provided by any general laws relating to voluntary corporations which shall be in force at the time of such increase. Any portion of the capital stock may be issued upon such terms of preference as to dividends, or upon liquidation, and with respect to voting power, as may be provided for in the votes or resolutions in pursuance of which the same may be issued.

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

^{Takes effect on}
_{passage.}

[Approved February 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 254.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE TOWN FAIR.

SECTION

1. Authority granted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Authority
granted.

SECTION 1. The town of Charlestown is hereby authorized to appropriate money for the celebration of the town fair to be held in the month of October, 1915.

Takes effect on
passage.

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

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 255.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PHENIX MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE, TO INCREASE ITS GUARANTY CAPITAL.

SECTION

1. Increase authorized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Increase
authorized.

SECTION 1. The Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire, is hereby authorized and empowered to increase its guaranty capital to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars. Such increase may be made from time to time by a majority vote at any stockholders' meeting the call for which shall give notice of such purpose, and may also be made in the manner provided by any general laws relating to voluntary corporations which shall be in force at the time of such increase. Any portion of the guaranty capital may be issued upon such terms of preference as to dividends or upon liquidation and with respect to voting power as may be provided for in the votes or resolutions in pursuance of which the same may be issued.

Takes effect on
passage.

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

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 256.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF CORNISH TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRANTING OF ITS CHARTER.

SECTION

1. Authority granted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Cornish is hereby authorized to appropriate money for the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the granting of its charter as the parish or town of Cornish. Authority granted.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 257.

AN ACT ENABLING THE TOWN OF NEWCASTLE TO CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF PORTSMOUTH FOR WATER SERVICE.

SECTION

1. Contract authorized.

2. Certain general laws applicable.

SECTION

3. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Newcastle is hereby authorized and empowered to contract with the city of Portsmouth for supplying it with water for the purpose of introducing into and distributing through any portion of said town an adequate supply thereof, in subterranean pipes, for extinguishing fires and for the use of its citizens and others, and for such other public, private, and mechanical purposes as said town may from time to time authorize and direct, and to make such contracts and establish such regulations and tolls for the use of water for any of said purposes as may from time to time be deemed proper and necessary; and for that purpose said town may take, purchase, and hold in fee simple, or otherwise, any real and personal estate and any rights therein, and Contract authorized.

do all other things necessary for the carrying into effect the purposes of this act, and may excavate and dig canals and ditches in any street, place, square, passageway, highway, common, or other land or place, over and through which it may be deemed necessary and proper for building, constructing, and extending the necessary pipes and other works, and may relay, change, enlarge, and extend the same from time to time, whenever said town shall deem necessary, and repair the same at pleasure, having due regard for the safety and welfare of its citizens and security of the public travel.

Certain general laws applicable.

SECT. 2. In proceeding under this act, the town of Newcastle shall act in accordance with, and have all the powers and be subject to all the liabilities created by, sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, of chapter 126, Laws of 1907, excepting the power to take water rights in said town.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 258.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH WATER-WORKS IN THE TOWN OF CARROLL.

SECTION

1. Water-works authorized.
2. Right of eminent domain.
3. Contracts authorized.
4. Board of water commissioners.
5. Duties of commissioners.

SECTION

6. Appropriations authorized.
7. Payment of bonds.
8. Exemption from taxation.
9. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Water-works authorized.

SECTION 1. The town of Carroll, in the county of Coos, is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, manage, maintain, and own suitable water-works, for the purpose of introducing into and distributing through the village of said town, or any part of said town, an adequate supply of pure water, in subterranean pipes, for extinguishing fires and for such public, private, and mechanical purposes as said town may from time to time authorize, and direct; and for that purpose may take, purchase, and hold, in fee simple or otherwise, any real or personal estate, and any rights therein, and water rights, and do all other things necessary for carrying into effect the purpose of this act, and may excavate and dig ditches

in any street, place, square, passageway, common, or other land or place, over or through which it may be deemed necessary and proper for building, constructing, and extending said water-works, and may relay, change, enlarge, and extend the same from time to time, whenever said town shall deem necessary, and repair the same at pleasure, having due regard for the safety and welfare of its citizens and security of the public travel.

SECT. 2. Said town is authorized and empowered to enter upon and take water from 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 of Carroll, or water from Little River, Zealand River, or Tuttle Brook in the town of Bethlehem, and to enter upon, take, and appropriate any streams, springs, or ponds in said towns of Carroll and Bethlehem not belonging to any aqueduct company, and to secure by fence or otherwise such streams, springs, or ponds, and dig ditches, make excavations or reservoirs, through, over, in, or upon any land or enclosure through which it may be necessary for said water-works to be or exist, for the purpose of obtaining, holding, preserving, or conducting water for said purposes, and placing such pipes or other materials, or works, as may be necessary for building and operating the same; *provided*, if it shall be necessary to enter upon and appropriate any stream, spring, pond, or lake, or any land for the purposes aforesaid, or to raise or lower the level of the same by dams or otherwise, and if said town shall not agree with the owner, or owners shall be unknown, said town, or said owner or owners, or party injured, may apply to the trial term of the superior court for the county of Coos to have the damages determined, and said court shall refer the same to the county commissioners for said county, who shall appoint a time and place of hearing, and give notice thereof in the same manner as is now provided by law for laying out highways, and said commissioners shall make report to said court, and said court may issue execution accordingly. If either party shall desire, they shall be entitled to a trial by jury, in such manner and under such regulations as the court may prescribe, in the same manner as appeals from the award of damages in the case of laying out highways.

SECT. 3. Said town is authorized and empowered to contract with individuals and corporations, whether citizens of said towns or not, for supplying them with water for any of the purposes herein named or contemplated, and to make such contracts and establish such regulations and tolls for the use of water for any of said purposes as may from time to time be deemed proper and necessary to enjoy the provisions of this act, subject, however, to the provisions of the act creating the public service commission and amendments thereto.

Right of eminent domain.

Contracts authorized.

Water commis-
sioners.

SECT. 4. For the more convenient management of said water-works, the said town may place the construction, management, control, and direction of said water-works in a board of water commissioners, to consist of five citizens of the town, said commissioners to be vested with such powers and duties relating to the construction, control, and management of the same as may from time to time be prescribed by said town. Their term of office shall be for five years, and until their successors are elected and qualified. The first board of commissioners may be chosen by the legal voters of the town at the next annual town meeting, or at any special meeting duly called for that purpose, and their successors shall be elected at each annual meeting thereafter; *provided, however*, that of those first elected, the term of one shall expire at the first annual town meeting after the first board is elected, and one at each annual town meeting thereafter, and after the first election one shall be elected for five years at each annual town meeting to fill the occurring vacancy; *provided, also, however*, that the term of service of the commissioners first elected shall be designated at the time of their election, or said commissioners may be appointed by the selectmen of said town if the town fail to elect, or if the town at any meeting vote to authorize and instruct the selectmen to appoint said water commissioners.

Duties of com-
missioners.

SECT. 5. The compensation of said commissioners shall be fixed by the town. They shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. They shall annually organize by choosing one of their number as chairman of their board, and said board shall appoint a clerk, a superintendent of the works, and such other officers and agents as they may deem necessary, and shall thereupon furnish the town clerk a certificate of such organization, and the town clerk shall record the same in the records of the town. The commissioners shall, subject to the approval of the selectmen of said town, fix the compensation of all officers and agents appointed by them, and all officers and agents shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said board from any cause, the four remaining members of the board shall fill such vacancy temporarily by appointing a citizen of said town, in writing, which shall be filed with the town clerk and recorded by him on the records of the town; and the person so appointed shall hold the office until the next annual town meeting after his appointment, when the town shall elect a commissioner to fill out the unexpired term, if any, of the person whose office became vacant and was so temporarily filled by appointment. Said commissioners shall annually make a report to the town, at the same time other town officers report, of the condition of the water-works, financially and otherwise, showing the funds belonging to

their department and the expenses and income thereof, with such other facts and information as the town should have, which report shall be published in the annual report of said town each year.

SECT. 6. Said town is also authorized and empowered, at any annual special or biennial meeting, by a major vote of those present and voting, to raise by taxation and appropriate, or to borrow and hire, such sums of money on the credit of the town as may from time to time be deemed necessary and expedient, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of purchasing real estate, rights in real estate, water rights, streams, springs, ponds, lakes, and other rights and property, as aforesaid, and for constructing, maintaining, repairing, extending, enlarging, and operating said water-works, such indebtedness not to exceed at any one time the sum of forty thousand dollars, and to issue notes or bonds of the town therefor, in such amounts and payable at such time or times, and at such rates of interest as may be thought proper, and may exempt such notes or bonds from taxation when held by inhabitants of the town, or by any inhabitant of a town in which said water-works may extend, said notes and bonds to be signed by at least a majority of the selectmen and countersigned by the town treasurer.

Appropriations
authorized.

SECT. 7. Said town is hereby authorized and empowered to raise by taxation and pay each year the interest of the notes and bonds so issued, and such part of the principal and to provide for a sinking fund as the town may determine at any annual meeting.

Payment of bonds.

SECT. 8. Said town of Carroll is hereby exempt from paying any tax on any property, owned, used, and held by it exclusively for its water-works, wherever the same is situated.

Exemption from
taxation.

SECT. 9. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 259.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY TO PERMIT SAID COMPANY TO INSURE AGAINST LOSSES BY EXPLOSION AND SPRINKLER LEAKAGE.

SECTION

1. Charter amended.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Charter amended. SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 97, Laws of 1869, entitled "An act to incorporate the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Company," approved July 7, 1869, as amended by chapter 234, Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by striking out from said section 1 the two last words "and lightning" and inserting in place thereof the words lightning, explosion, and sprinkler leakage, so that said section 1 as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. That Ezekiel A. Straw, James A. Weston, Samuel N. Bell, Albert H. Daniels, Samuel Upton, George B. Chandler, Clinton W. Stanley, David Gillis, John S. Harvey, Woodbury F. Prescott, William D. Knapp, Moses R. Emerson, John F. Chase, and their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they hereby are incorporated and made a body politic by the name of the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Company, to be located at Manchester, in said state, with authority to have and exercise all the powers and privileges incident to corporations of a similar nature, for the purpose of making and effecting insurance against losses by fire, tornado, hail, lightning, explosion, and sprinkler leakage.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 260.

AN ACT TO REPEAL AN ACT PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, JUNE 22, 1853, "TO DISANNEX CHARLES S. WIGGIN AND HENRY E. WIGGIN FROM THE TOWN OF COLEBROOK AND ANNEX THE SAME TO STEWARTSTOWN FOR THE PURPOSE OF SCHOOLING."

SECTION

1. Prior act repealed.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That the act passed June 22, 1853, by the New Hampshire legislature, disannexing Charles S. Wiggin and Henry E. Wiggin and their taxable property from the town of Colebrook and annexing the same to school district No. 4 in the town of Stewartstown for the purpose of schooling, be and is hereby repealed.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 261.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2, CHAPTER 235, LAWS OF 1907, RELATING TO THE MOUNT CRESCENT WATER COMPANY.

SECTION

1. Increase of authorized capital.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 2 of chapter 235, Laws of 1907, by inserting the word ten in place of the word "five" in the fourth line thereof, so that said section as thus amended may read as follows: SECT. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of such number of shares, not exceeding one hundred dollars each, as may from time to time be determined by the directors of the corporation, not exceeding in the whole the sum of ten thousand dollars. Said corporation may acquire and hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient for the purposes aforesaid; and it

may issue notes and other obligations secured by a mortgage of its property, assets, and franchise to carry out the purposes for which it is created.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 262.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE GRANITE STATE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

SECTION

1. Charter amended.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Charter amended.

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 161, Laws of 1885, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words tornado, and hail, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. That Frank Jones, Edwin Wallace, Samuel C. Fisher, John W. Sanborn, Charles H. Sawyer, Alvah W. Sulloway, George H. Stowell, Thomas G. Jameson, and John F. Cloutman, and their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they hereby are incorporated and made a body politic by the name of the Granite State Fire Insurance Company, to be located within this state where the board of directors may determine; with authority to have and exercise all the powers and privileges incident to corporations of a similar nature, for the purpose of making and effecting insurance against losses by fire, lightning, tornado, and hail.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 263.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A POLICE COMMISSION FOR THE TOWN OF
CLAREMONT.

SECTION

1. Police commission provided for.
2. Powers of commission.
3. Fiscal year.
4. Appointment and tenure of office.
5. Removal of commissioners.

SECTION

6. To recommend appropriations.
7. Organization of police force.
8. Chairman and clerk of board.
9. Enforcement of laws.
10. Takes effect on adoption.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. The management, appointment, and removal of all police officers in the town of Claremont shall be vested in a board of three police commissioners, who shall serve without compensation unless the town votes to pay them, but shall be allowed for their expenses such sums as the selectmen see fit or the town may appropriate. Police commission provided for.

SECT. 2. Said board of police commissioners shall have power to make all reasonable rules for the government of the police officers of said town, and may enforce the same in their discretion by suspension, expulsion, or otherwise. Powers.

SECT. 3. The fiscal year of the board of police commissioners shall close on the same day the fiscal year for said town ends; and said board shall make a full report of all their doings for each fiscal year to the board of selectmen in time for the publication thereof in the town report. Fiscal year.

SECT. 4. Within thirty days from the adoption of this act by said town of Claremont, the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint three police commissioners, all of whom shall be residents of said Claremont, one of whom shall hold office for one year from date of said appointment, one for the term of two years, one for the term of three years, from said date, or until their successors are appointed and qualified; and annually thereafter, on or before the fifteenth day of February, the governor, with the advice and consent of his council, shall appoint some person qualified as aforesaid to succeed the commissioner whose term expires, who shall serve the full term of three years. Any vacancy in the board shall be filled in the same manner only for the unexpired term. Removal from the town shall create a vacancy in the office of the removing commissioner. No more than two commissioners shall belong to the same political party. Appointment and tenure of office.

SECT. 5. The governor, with the advice and consent of the coun- Removal.

cil, shall have power to remove any or all of said commissioners, after fair hearing, for just cause.

To recommend ap-
propriations.

SECT. 6. The board of police commissioners shall annually submit in writing over their signatures their recommendations as to the sum of money to be raised and appropriated by the town for the annual expenses of the police department of said town. Said recommendations shall be submitted to the board of selectmen in time for the selectmen to prepare suitable articles for the town warrant to be acted upon by the town at its annual March meeting.

Organization of
police force.

SECT. 7. The board of police commissioners shall organize the police force, appoint a chief of police, and all other police officers and define their powers and duties when not otherwise regulated by law, fix the compensation of the members of the force, and have the entire control of the police department of said town of Claremont.

Chairman and
clerk.

SECT. 8. The board of police commissioners shall elect one of their number who shall act as chairman and one who shall act as clerk. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the board of commissioners, issue all notices, and attest such orders as said board shall make. The records of the board of police commissioners shall at all times be open to public inspection.

Enforcement of
laws.

SECT. 9. It shall be the duty of the board of police commissioners to see that the criminal laws of the state, the ordinances of the town, and the rules and regulations of the board of health and other bodies having lawful authority to make the same are faithfully and impartially enforced within said town of Claremont.

Takes effect on
adoption.

SECT. 10. This act shall take effect if it is accepted by the town at its annual meeting in March, 1915, by a majority of those present and voting upon the following question, which shall be submitted in the same way that the question of granting liquor licenses is submitted: Shall the town adopt the provisions of the act of 1915, creating a police commission for the town of Claremont?

[Approved February 25, 1915.]

CHAPTER 264.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF DUNBARTON TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRANTING OF ITS CHARTER.

SECTION

1. Authority granted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Dunbarton is hereby authorized to appropriate money for the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the granting of its charter. Authority granted.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 265.

AN ACT TO RATIFY AND CONFIRM THE ORGANIZATION AND ACTS OF THE PARISH OF TRINITY CHURCH OF NORTHFIELD AND SANBORNTON.

SECTION

1. Organization and acts ratified and confirmed.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The organization of the Parish of Trinity Church of Northfield and Sanbornton under the general laws in 1860 is hereby ratified and confirmed, and all acts of said society under said organization, including the adoption of by-laws, are hereby affirmed and legalized. Ratification and confirmation.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 266.

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE CHARTER OF THE WOODSTOCK & THORNTON GORE RAILROAD.

SECTION 1. Charter repealed.		SECTION 2. Takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Charter repealed. SECTION 1. Chapter 286, Laws of 1909, entitled "An act to incorporate the Woodstock & Thornton Gore Railroad," as amended by chapter 399, Laws of 1913, is hereby repealed.

Takes effect on passage. SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 2, 1915.]

CHAPTER 267.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE PRECINCT OF HAVERHILL CORNER.

SECTION 1. Establishment ratified; boundaries. 2. Certain acts ratified and confirmed.		SECTION 3. To have rights of village district. 4. Takes effect on passage.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Establishment ratified; bounds defined. SECTION 1. The establishment of a precinct in the town of Haverhill in the county of Grafton, under the name of precinct of Haverhill Corner, in accordance with the original meeting of the voters of said precinct held on September 19, 1907, as confirmed by meeting held on April 23, 1914, is hereby ratified and confirmed; and the powers and authority of said precinct as adopted by it from time to time, namely, the lighting of streets, the extinguishment of fires, and the supply of water for domestic and fire purposes, are ratified and confirmed. The bounds of said precinct are hereby established as follows: Beginning at a point where the town line between Haverhill and Piermont intersects the Connecticut river, thence running easterly on said town line to such point as would be reached by the extension of the

easterly line of the pasture now or formerly owned by Eliza Ayer; thence northerly to and along the easterly line of said Ayer pasture to the Turnpike road leading from Haverhill Corner to Warren; thence northerly in a straight line to the Haverhill station on the railroad operated by the Boston & Maine Railroad; thence following the line of said railroad to the northerly line of the farm now or formerly owned by James Woodward; thence westerly following the northerly line of said Woodward farm to the Connecticut river; thence southerly by said river to the place of beginning.

SECT. 2. The action of said precinct in adopting the provisions of chapter 126, Laws of 1907, and in pursuance thereof constructing water-works in said precinct, and all acts and doings by and on behalf of said precinct in connection therewith, are hereby ratified and confirmed, including the issue by said precinct of twenty-five thousand dollars, face value, of thirty-year four per cent. bonds.

Certain acts ratified.

SECT. 3. Said precinct is authorized and empowered to exercise all the rights and authority conferred upon village districts by virtue of the provisions of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes and amendments thereto, and of chapter 126, Laws of 1907, and amendments thereto.

To have rights of village district.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
[Approved March 3, 1915.]

Takes effect on passage.

CHAPTER 268.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 277, LAWS OF 1909, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WOODSTOCK TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN WATER-WORKS.

SECTION
1. Prior act amended.

SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend chapter 277, Laws of 1909, by striking out all of sections 4, 5 and 6, and inserting in the place thereof the following:

Prior act amended.

SECT. 4. The immediate construction, management, control and direction of all the water-works of said town shall be vested in the board of selectmen. Said selectmen shall between the fif-

Water commissioner provided for.

teenth day of March and the first day of April of each year appoint a water commissioner, who shall have general supervision of all the water-works, subject to the approval of the selectmen. Said water commissioner shall furnish such bonds as the said selectmen shall annually require and approve, and shall be held responsible for the enforcement of such instructions as may be given him by the selectmen.

Duties of commissioner.

SECT. 5. Said water commissioner shall establish rates and tolls and prescribe rules and regulations for the use of water subject to the approval of the selectmen; he shall collect all water-rents and other moneys that shall from time to time become due the town in connection with its water-works, and at the end of each month and the tenth day of February of each year, he shall pay to the town treasurer all moneys by him collected in connection with said water-works; he shall keep a correct account of all money received and paid to the town treasurer, said account to be at all times open to the inspection of the selectmen; he shall between the tenth day of February and the fifteenth day of February of each year submit a report to the town giving in detail the sums collected and paid to the town treasurer, and such other information as may be required to give a full and fair report of his administration.

Water-works accounts and funds.

SECT. 6. All moneys paid to the town treasurer shall be kept and applied exclusively for the uses of said water-works, including the payment of the bonds or notes issued under this act and the interest thereon; and all bills and claims for expenditures connected with said water-works shall be approved by the board of selectmen before they are paid by the treasurer; and the town treasurer shall keep his accounts relating to the water-works, including all bonds and notes of the town given for loans and moneys raised for said works, separate and distinct from all other receipts and payments.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved March 3, 1915.]

CHAPTER 269.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH WATER WORKS IN THE TOWN OF TROY.

SECTION

1. Water-works authorized.
2. Right of eminent domain.
3. Contracts authorized.
4. Board of water commissioners.
5. Duties of commissioners.

SECTION

6. Appropriations authorized.
7. Payment of bonds.
8. Exemption from taxation.
9. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Troy, in the county of Cheshire, is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, manage, maintain, and own suitable water-works, for the purpose of introducing into and distributing through the village of said town, or any part of said town, an adequate supply of pure water, in subterranean pipes, for extinguishing fires and for such public, private, and mechanical purposes as said town may from time to time authorize, and direct and for that purpose may take, purchase, and hold, in fee simple or otherwise, any real or personal estate, and any rights therein, and water rights, and do all other things necessary for carrying into effect the purpose of this act, and to excavate and dig ditches in any street, place, square, passage-way, common, or other land or place, over or through which it may be deemed necessary and proper for building, constructing, and extending said water-works, and may relay, change, enlarge, and extend the same from time to time, whenever said town shall deem necessary, and repair the same at pleasure, having due regard for the safety and welfare of its citizens and security of the public travel.

SECT. 2. Said town is authorized and empowered to enter upon and take water from any pond or stream in said town of Troy and in the towns of Jaffrey, Swanzey, and Marlborough, and to enter upon, take, and appropriate any streams, springs, or ponds in said towns of Troy, Jaffrey, Swanzey, and Marlborough not belonging to any aqueduct company, and to secure by fence or otherwise such streams, springs, or ponds, and dig ditches, make excavations or reservoirs, through, over, in, or upon any land or enclosure through which it may be necessary for said water-works to be or exist, for the purpose of obtaining, holding, preserving, or conducting water for said purposes, and placing such pipes or other materials or works, as may be necessary for building and operating the same; *provided*, if it shall be necessary to enter upon and appropriate any stream, spring, pond, or lake, or any land for the purposes aforesaid, or to raise or lower the level of the same by dams or

Water-works
authorized.

Right of eminent
domain.

otherwise, and if said town shall not agree with the owner or owners thereof for the damage that may be done by said town, or such owner or owners shall be unknown, said town, or said owner, or owners, or party injured, may apply to the trial term of the superior court for the county of Cheshire to have the damages determined, and said court shall refer the same to the county commissioners for said county, who shall appoint a time and place of hearing, and give notice thereof in the same manner as is now provided by law for laying out highways, and said commissioners shall make report to said court, and said court may issue execution accordingly; if either party shall desire, they shall be entitled to a trial by jury, in such manner and under such regulations as the court may prescribe, in the same manner as appeals from the award of damages in the case of laying out highways.

Contracts
authorized.

SECT. 3. Said town is authorized and empowered to contract with individuals and corporations, whether citizens of said towns or not, for supplying them with water for any of the purposes herein named or contemplated, and to make such contracts and establish such regulations and tolls for the use of water for any of said purposes as may from time to time be deemed proper and necessary to enjoy the provisions of this act, subject, however, to the provisions of the act creating the public service commission and amendments thereto.

Water commis-
sioners.

SECT. 4. For the more convenient management of said water-works, the said town may place the construction, management, control, and direction of said water-works in a board of water commissioners, to consist of five citizens of the town, said commissioners to be vested with such powers and duties relating to the construction, control, and management of the same as may from time to time be prescribed by said town. Their term of office shall be for five years and until their successors are elected and qualified. The first board of commissioners may be chosen by the legal voters of the town at the next annual town meeting, or at any special meeting duly called for that purpose, and their successors shall be elected at each annual meeting thereafter; *provided, however*, that of those first elected, the term of one shall expire at the first annual town meeting after the first board is elected, and one at each annual town meeting thereafter, and after the first election one shall be elected for five years at each annual town meeting to fill the occurring vacancy; *provided, also, however*, that the term of service of the commissioners first elected shall be designated at the time of their election, or said commissioners may be appointed by the selectmen of said town if the town fail to elect, or if the town at any meeting vote to authorize and instruct the selectmen to appoint said water commissioners.

SECT. 5. The compensation of said commissioners shall be fixed by the town. They shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. They shall annually organize by choosing one of their number as chairman of their board, and said board shall appoint a clerk, a superintendent of the works, and such other officers and agents as they may deem necessary, and shall thereupon furnish the town clerk a certificate of such organization, and the town clerk shall record the same in the records of the town. The commissioners shall, subject to the approval of the selectmen of said town, fix the compensation of all officers and agents appointed by them, and all officers and agents shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said board from any cause, the four remaining members of the board shall fill such vacancy temporarily by appointing a citizen of said town, in writing, which shall be filed with the town clerk and recorded by him on the records of the town; and the person so appointed shall hold the office until the next annual town meeting after his appointment, when the town shall elect a commissioner to fill out the unexpired term, if any, of the person whose office became vacant and was so temporarily filled by appointment. Said commissioners shall annually make a report to the town, at the same time other town officers report, of the condition of the water-works, financially and otherwise, showing the funds belonging to their department and the expenses and income thereof, with such other facts and information as the town should have, which report shall be published in the annual report of said town each year.

SECT. 6. Said town is also authorized and empowered, at any annual, special, or biennial meeting, by a major vote of those present and voting, to raise by taxation and appropriate, or to borrow and hire, such sums of money on the credit of the town as may from time to time be deemed necessary and expedient, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of purchasing real estate, rights in real estate, water rights, streams, springs, ponds, lakes, and other rights and property, as aforesaid, and for constructing, maintaining, repairing, extending, enlarging, and operating said water-works, such indebtedness not to exceed at any one time the sum of forty thousand dollars, and to issue notes or bonds of the town therefor, in such amounts and payable at such time or times and at such rates of interest as may be thought proper, and may exempt such notes or bonds from taxation when held by inhabitants of the town, or by any inhabitant of a town in which said water-works may extend, said notes and bonds to be signed by at least a majority of the selectmen and countersigned by the town treasurer.

Duties of commissioners.

Appropriations authorized.

Payment of bonds. SECT. 7. Said town is hereby authorized and empowered to raise by taxation and pay each year the interest of the notes and bonds so issued and such part of the principal and to provide for a sinking fund as the town may determine at any annual meeting.

Exemption from taxation. SECT. 8. Said town of Troy is hereby exempt from paying any tax on any property, owned, used, and held by it exclusively for its water-works, wherever the same is situated.

Takes effect on passage. SECT. 9. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved March 4, 1915.]

CHAPTER 270.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NASHUA.

SECTION 1. Prior act amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Prior act amended. SECTION 1. Part [1] of chapter 427, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out sections 65, 66, 67, and 70, and inserting in place thereof the following:

Organization of assessors. SECT. 65. Immediately after every inauguration of the city government the board of assessors shall meet and select one of their number to be chairman, and they shall elect from outside their own body a clerk of said board, and said officers selected shall respectively do and perform all the duties pertaining to said positions as now defined by law. The clerk shall serve at the pleasure of the board, and his salary shall be fixed by the board of aldermen.

Office hours of clerk. SECT. 66. The board of assessors shall have an office assigned and furnished for that purpose by the board of aldermen. The clerk shall attend to the duties of such office regularly not less than six hours during the business hours of each day, Sundays and holidays, and such reasonable leaves of absence, as may be voted him by the board, excepted; but he shall not be obliged so to attend in the afternoon on Saturdays. The assessors shall keep their office open daily, except Sundays and legal holidays.

Meetings of board. SECT. 67. The board of assessors shall hold regular meetings at such office for the transaction of business during stated hours on at least one day in each week throughout the year, and the board shall hold such additional meetings in the daytime or

evening as may be necessary to give all taxpayers a convenient opportunity to be heard.

SECT. 70. The board of aldermen may by ordinance authorize the board of assessors to employ assistants to aid in making the list of ratable polls, such assistants to be employed for such time and for such compensation as shall be fixed by the board of aldermen. It may also by ordinance authorize the employment of such clerical assistance as may be required by the board of assessors, and fix the amount to be expended for such assistance.

Assistant assessors.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 271.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 308, LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED
 "AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM LOCAL TAXATION A HOTEL IN THE CITY
 OF MANCHESTER."

SECTION

1. Exemption authorized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
 General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 308, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out from said section the figures "1915" and inserting instead thereof the figures 1917, so that said section shall read as follows: SECTION 1. If a hotel, the building for which shall cost not less than two hundred thousand dollars, shall be erected and opened for business in the city of Manchester on or before April first, 1917, such hotel building may, by vote of the city council, be exempted from all local taxes by said city of Manchester for the term of ten years from said date: *provided, however,* that the assessors of said city shall annually appraise such hotel building, and the valuation determined upon for the same shall be added to the valuation of all other property in said city of Manchester to determine the total valuation for the purposes of state and county tax, and such hotel building shall be assessed for said state and county tax; and said assessors shall also annually appraise the land on which said building may be erected, and said land shall be taxed at the same rate as other property in said city.

Exemption authorized.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 272.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE VOTE OF THE TOWN OF PLYMOUTH AT A MEETING HELD ON THE EIGHTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1911, EXEMPTING CERTAIN PROPERTY OF THE DRAPER-MAYNARD COMPANY OF SAID TOWN FROM TAXATION.

SECTION

1. Vote legalized; property exempted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Vote legalized;
property ex-
empted.

SECTION 1. That the vote of the town of Plymouth at a legal meeting held in said town on the eighth day of February, 1911, which vote was in the following terms, "Resolved, that any establishment which may be erected and put in operation by the Draper-Maynard Company in the town of Plymouth for the manufacture of sporting goods, and the capital used in operating the same, be exempted from taxation for the term of ten years," be and hereby is ratified, legalized, and confirmed; and all buildings and the personal property contained therein, and the capital used in operating any establishment erected and put in operation by said Draper-Maynard Company in consequence of the vote of said town, shall be and hereby is exempted from all taxation, except the state and county tax, for the term of ten years as specified in said vote.

Takes effect on
passage.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 273.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DOVER.

SECTION

1. Divided into five wards.
2. Ward 1.
3. Ward 2.
4. Ward 3.
5. Ward 4.

SECTION

6. Ward 5.
7. Certain officers continued.
8. Repealing clause.
9. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

To have five
wards.

SECTION 1. The city of Dover hereby is, and shall continue to be, divided into five wards, which shall be constituted as follows:

SECT. 2. The dividing lines between Wards 1 and 2 of said city ^{Ward 1.} shall hereafter be as follows: Commencing on the line of the town of Rollinsford, on the old road leading from Garrison Hill to South Berwick, thence by said road westerly by the dwelling house formerly occupied by Harrison Haley to the junction of said road with the road leading from Willand's pond, so called, to Dover; thence southerly by the center of Central avenue to the center of the bridge over the Cochecho river; thence westerly in a direct line to the center of the river at the foot of Chestnut street; and all of the territory in said city lying northerly of said above described line, and between said Cochecho river and the town lines of Rollinsford and Somersworth, shall be included in and constitute Ward 1 of said city.

SECT. 3. Ward 2 shall contain all that part of said city lying ^{Ward 2.} northerly of said Cochecho river not included in Ward 1 as hereinbefore set forth, excepting that part of said city included between said river and a line commencing at the center of Central-avenue bridge over said river; thence running by the center of said Central avenue to its junction with Chapel street; thence by the center of Chapel street to Portland street; thence by the center of Portland street to Cochecho street; thence by Cochecho street to Rogers street; thence to the Cochecho river in a direct line which, if continued, would join Payne street at its junction with the lane leading to the Hale farm.

SECT. 4. The dividing line between Wards 3 and 4 in said city ^{Ward 3.} shall hereafter be as follows: Commencing at a line separating Dover from the town of Madbury at a point where said line is crossed by the tracks of the Boston and Maine Railroad, thence running by said railroad track to the center of the bridge where the Littleworth road crosses said railroad; thence by the center of Silver street to Locust street; thence by the center of Locust street to Hale street; thence by the center of Hale street to Central avenue; thence by the center of Central avenue to Orchard street; thence by Orchard street to Walnut street; thence by Walnut street to Waldron street; thence by a direct line to the center of the Cochecho river at the foot of Chestnut street; and all the territory in said city lying northerly or northwesterly of the above described line, and between said line and the boundaries of Wards 1 and 5 as constituted by this act, shall be included in and constitute Ward 3 in said city.

SECT. 5. Ward 4 in said city shall contain all the territory in ^{Ward 4.} said city lying southerly of the Cochecho river not included in Ward 3 as constituted in this act, excepting that part included between said river and the line commencing at the junction of Cochecho street with Rogers street, thence running in a direct line to the

junction of Payne street with the lane leading to the Hale farm; thence easterly by the center of Payne street to Niles street, so called; thence by the center of Niles street to the terminus of said street; thence westerly in a direct line to the junction of Hanson street with Sonnet street; thence westerly by the center of Sonnet street to George street; thence westerly by the same direct line to the northeasterly corner of land of the Jonas D. Townsend estate; thence to the junction of Kirkland street with Central avenue; thence by the center of Central avenue to Hale street, and the boundary line of Ward 3.

Ward 5.

SECT. 6. Ward 5 in said city shall consist of and include all that part of said city not contained within wards 1, 2, 3, and 4 as herein constituted and established.

Certain officers continued.

SECT. 7. Any person or persons having residence in that part of said city embraced within the boundaries of Wards 2 and 3 prior to the passage of this act, and who were duly chosen by the qualified voters of said Wards 2 and 3 to serve as members of the city councils of said city at the annual election held in said city November 24, 1914, shall continue to hold the office for the term for which he or they were elected.

Repealing clause.

SECT. 8. All acts and parts of acts in the charter of said city of Dover or laws of the state inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 9. This act shall take effect and be in force upon its passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 274.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE WARD LINES OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER.

SECTION

1. Divided into thirteen wards.
2. Representatives to general court.
3. Present ward officers, where to act.
4. New ward officers provided for.

SECTION

5. First election, when held; certain officers continued.
6. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

To have thirteen wards.

SECTION 1. The ward lines of the city of Manchester are hereby changed and the said city divided into thirteen wards, which shall be constructed as follows:

Ward No. 1 shall include that part of the city bounded by the Ward No. 1. following described lines: Beginning at a point on the Manchester-Hooksett town line at its intersection with the center line of the Neal road, thence westerly by said center line of the Neal road to the center line of the Mammoth road; thence southwesterly by the center line of the Smyth road to the center line of Webster street; thence westerly by the center line of Webster street to the center line of Beech street; thence southerly by the center line of Beech street to the center line of Salmon street; thence westerly by the center line of Salmon street to the center line of Elm street; thence westerly by the center line of West Salmon street to the center line of Canal street; thence westerly by the center line of West Salmon street extended westerly to the center line of Coolidge avenue; thence northeasterly and northerly by the center line of Coolidge avenue to the center line of Amoskeag street; thence westerly by the center line of Amoskeag street and the old road to the center line of Gardner street; thence westerly by the center line of Gardner street and the center line of Gardner street extended to the Manchester-Goffstown town line; thence northerly by the Manchester-Goffstown town line to the Manchester-Hooksett town line; thence easterly, northerly, easterly, southerly, and southeasterly by the Manchester-Hooksett town line to the center line of the Neal road.

Ward No. 2 shall include that part of the city bounded by the Ward No. 2. following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Merrimack river with the center line of West Salmon street; thence easterly by the center line of West Salmon street and Salmon street to the center line of Beech street; thence northerly by the center line of Beech street to the center line of Webster street; thence easterly by the center line of Webster street to the center line of the Smyth road; thence northeasterly by the center line of the Smyth road to the center line of the Mammoth road; thence easterly by the center line of the Neal road to the Manchester-Hooksett town line; thence southeasterly by the Manchester-Hooksett town line to the Manchester-Auburn town line; thence southerly by the Manchester-Auburn town line to the center line of the Candia road; thence southwesterly by the center line of the Candia road to the center line of Bridge-street extension; thence westerly by the center line of Bridge-street extension to the Mammoth road; thence westerly by the center line of Bridge street to the westerly line of Derryfield park; thence northerly by the westerly line of Derryfield park to the center line of Orange street; thence westerly by the center line of Orange street to the center line of Elm street; thence northerly by the center line of Elm street to the center line of West Brook street; thence westerly

by the center line of West Brook street to the center line of the Merrimack river.

Ward No. 3.

Ward No. 3 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of Chestnut street with the center line of Orange street, thence easterly by the center line of Orange street to the westerly line of Derryfield park; thence southerly by the westerly line of Derryfield park to the center line of Bridge street; thence easterly by the center line of Bridge street to the center line of the Mammoth road; thence southerly by the center line of the Mammoth road to the center line of Concord street extended easterly; thence westerly by the center line of Concord street extended and the center line of Concord street to the center line of Chestnut street; thence northerly by the center line of Chestnut street to the center line of Orange street.

Ward No. 4.

Ward No. 4 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of Union street with the center line of Concord street, thence easterly by the center line of Concord street and the center line of Concord street extended to the center line of the Mammoth road; thence southerly by the center line of the Mammoth road to the center line of the Hall road; thence southerly by the center line of the Hall road to the center line of Laurel street extended easterly; thence westerly by the center line of Laurel street extended and the center line of Laurel street to the center line of Union street; thence northerly by the center line of Union street to the center line of Concord street.

Ward No. 5.

Ward No. 5 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of Elm street with the center line of Orange street, thence easterly by the center line of Orange street to the center line of Chestnut street; thence southerly by the center line of Chestnut street to the center line of Concord street; thence easterly by the center line of Concord street to the center line of Union street; thence southerly by the center line of Union street to the center line of Willow street; thence northwesterly and northerly by the center line of Willow street to the center line of Hayward street; thence westerly by the center line of Hayward street to the center line of Elm street; thence northerly by the center line of Elm street to the center line of Orange street.

Ward No. 6.

Ward No. 6 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of Maple street with the center line of Laurel street, thence easterly by the center line of Laurel street and the center line of Laurel street extended to the center line of the Hall road;

thence northerly by the center line of the Hall road to the center line of the Mammoth road; thence northerly by the center line of the Mammoth road to the center line of Bridge-street extension; thence easterly by the center line of Bridge-street extension to the center line of the Candia road; thence northeasterly by the center line of the Candia road to the Manchester-Auburn town line; thence southerly by the Manchester-Auburn town line to the center line of the Island Pond road; thence northwesterly by the center line of the Island Pond road to the center line of the Mammoth road; thence northerly by the center line of the Mammoth road to the center line of Massabesic street; thence northwesterly by the center line of Massabesic street to the center line of Valley street; thence westerly by the center line of Valley street to the center line of Wilson street; thence northerly by the center line of Wilson street to the center line of Spruce street; thence westerly by the center line of Spruce street to the center line of Maple street; thence northerly by the center line of Maple street to the center line of Laurel street.

Ward No. 7 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of Union street with the center line of Laurel street, thence easterly by the center line of Laurel street to the center line of Maple street; thence southerly by the center line of Maple street to the center line of Spruce street; thence easterly by the center line of Spruce street to the center line of Wilson street; thence southerly by the center line of Wilson street to the center line of Vinton street; thence westerly by the center line of Vinton street to the center line of Willow street; thence northwesterly by the center line of Willow street to the center line of Union street; thence northerly by the center line of Union street to the center line of Laurel street.

Ward No. 8 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Merrimaek river with the center line of Cove street extended westerly, thence easterly by the center line of Cove street extended and the center line of Cove street to the center line of Elm street; thence southerly by the center line of Elm street to the center line of Hayward street; thence easterly by the center line of Hayward street to the center line of Willow street; thence southerly and southeasterly by the center line of Willow street to the center line of Vinton street; thence easterly by the center line of Vinton street to the center line of Wilson street; thence northerly by the center line of Wilson street to the center line of Valley street; thence easterly by the center line of Valley street to the center line of Massabesic street; thence southeasterly

by the center line of Massabesic street to the center line of the Mammoth road; thence southerly by the center line of the Mammoth road to the center line of the Island Pond road; thence easterly and southeasterly by the center line of the Island Pond road to the Manchester-Auburn town line; thence southerly by the Manchester-Auburn town line to the Manchester-Londonderry town line; thence westerly and southerly by the Manchester-Londonderry town line to the Manchester-Litchfield town line; thence northwesterly by the Manchester-Litchfield town line to the center line of the Merrimack river; thence northerly by the center line of the Merrimack river to the center line of Cove street extended westerly.

Ward No. 9.

Ward No. 9 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Merrimack river with the center line of West Brook street extended westerly, thence easterly by the center line of West Brook street extended and the center line of West Brook street to the center line of Elm street; thence southerly by the center line of Elm street to the center line of Cove street; thence westerly by the center line of Cove street and the center line of Cove street extended to the center line of the Merrimack river; thence northerly by the center line of the Merrimack river to the center line of West Brook street extended westerly.

Ward No. 10.

Ward No. 10 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Merrimack river with the Manchester-Bedford town line, thence westerly, northerly, and westerly by the Manchester-Bedford town line to the Manchester-Goffstown town line; thence northerly by the Manchester-Goffstown town line to the center line of the Piscataquog river; thence southeasterly by the center line of the Piscataquog river to the center line of the Merrimack river; thence southerly by the center line of the Merrimack river to the Manchester-Bedford town line.

Ward No. 11.

Ward No. 11 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Merrimack river with the center line of the Piscataquog river, thence northwesterly by the center line of the Piscataquog river to the center line of Schuyler street extended westerly; thence easterly by the center line of Schuyler street extended, the center line of Schuyler street, and the center line of Schuyler street extended to the center line of the Merrimack river; thence southerly by the center line of the Merrimack river to the center line of the Piscataquog river.

Ward No. 12.

Ward No. 12 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Merrimack river with the center line of Schuyler

street extended, thence westerly by the center line of Schuyler street extended, the center line of Schuyler street, and the center line of Schuyler street extended to the center line of the Piscataquog river; thence northwesterly by the center line of the Piscataquog river to the center line of Amory street extended; thence easterly by the center line of Amory street extended and the center line of Amory street to the center line of McGregor street; thence northerly by the center line of McGregor street to the center line of West Bridge street; thence easterly by the center line of West Bridge street to the center line of the Merrimack river; thence southerly by the center line of the Merrimack river to the center line of Schuyler street extended.

Ward No. 13 shall include that part of the city bounded by the following described lines: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Merrimack river with the center line of West Bridge street, thence westerly by the center line of West Bridge street to the center line of McGregor street; thence southerly by the center line of McGregor street to the center line of Amory street; thence westerly by the center line of Amory street and the center line of Amory street extended to the center line of the Piscataquog river; thence northwesterly by the center line of the Piscataquog river to the center line of Gardner street extended; thence easterly by the center line of Gardner street extended and the center line of Gardner street to the center line of the old road; thence easterly by the center line of the old road to the center line of Amoskeag street; thence easterly by the center line of Amoskeag street to the center line of Coolidge avenue; thence southerly and southwesterly by the center line of Coolidge avenue to the center line of West Salmon street extended; thence easterly by the center line of West Salmon street extended to the center line of the Merrimack river; thence southerly by the center line of the Merrimack river to the center line of West Bridge street.

SECT. 2. Until a new census shall be taken by authority of this state or of the United States, Ward 1 may elect three representatives to the general court, Ward 2 may elect four representatives to the general court, Ward 3 may elect six representatives to the general court, Ward 4 may elect five representatives to the general court, Ward 5 may elect nine representatives to the general court, Ward 6 may elect five representatives to the general court, Ward 7 may elect three representatives to the general court, Ward 8 may elect four representatives to the general court, Ward 9 may elect five representatives to the general court, Wards 10 and 11 may each elect three representatives to the general court, Ward 12 may elect four representatives to the general court, and Ward 13 may elect five representatives to the general court.

Ward No. 13.

Representatives to general court.

Present ward officers, where to act.

SECT. 3. The ward officers of former Ward No. 1 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 1 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified. The ward officers of former Ward No. 2 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 3 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified. The ward officers of former Ward No. 3 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 4 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified. The ward officers of former Ward No. 4 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 5 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified. The ward officers of former Ward No. 5 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 6 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified. The ward officers of former Ward No. 6 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 8 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified. The ward officers of former Ward No. 7 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 11 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified. The ward officers of former Ward No. 8 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 12 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified. The ward officers of former Ward No. 9 shall continue to act as ward officers of Ward No. 13 as constituted by this act, until their successors are elected and qualified.

New ward officers.

SECT. 4. The board of mayor and aldermen of the said city of Manchester, after the passage of this act, shall appoint the necessary ward officers for the conduct of any elections and the government of the newly created wards No. 2, No. 7, No. 9, and No. 10.

First election, when held.

SECT. 5. The first election for aldermen, councilmen, selectmen, and schoolcommitteemen in the thirteen wards hereby created shall be holden at the time of the next municipal election in said city, and the present aldermen, councilmen, and schoolcommitteemen of Wards No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 4, No. 5, No. 6, No. 7, No. 8, and No. 9 shall hold and exercise their respective offices during the term for which they were elected.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 275.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BENNINGTON HOME BENEFIT ASSOCIATION.

SECTION

1. Corporation constituted.
2. May enact certain by-laws.
3. May conduct entertainments.

SECTION

4. Right to hold property.
5. First meeting.
6. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Henry W. Wilson, Herbert A. Eaton, Arthur F. Bell, Allen Gerrard, George B. Griswold, and Frank G. Traxler, their associates and successors, are hereby made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Bennington Home Benefit Association of Bennington, N. H., for fraternal, charitable, benevolent, and social purposes; and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and shall have all the powers, rights, duties, and liabilities of similar corporations.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may enact by-laws providing for the payment of benefits to those of its members who may become sick, or in need, and for the payment of funeral expenses of those of its members who may die.

SECT. 3. Said corporation may conduct musical, literary, dramatic, and social entertainments.

SECT. 4. Said corporation, for the purposes aforesaid, may purchase, take, lease, and hold by deed, gift, or otherwise, real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and may improve, incumber, lease, sell, and convey, or otherwise dispose of the same at pleasure.

SECT. 5. The first two persons named in this act may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving notice to each of the others at least two days before the date of such meeting.

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

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 276.

AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM TAXATION THAT PART OF THE ESTATE OF JOSIAH W. BROWN, LATE OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, WHICH IS SITUATED IN WOLFEBORO AND USED FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

SECTION
1. Property exempted.

SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Property exempted.

SECTION 1. The real and personal property of the estate of Josiah W. Brown located in Wolfeboro and used for school purposes in connection with Brewster Academy, together with any additions thereto or improvements thereon, are and shall be exempt from taxation so long as said property shall remain property of said estate and is used for the above purposes.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 277.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE STEPHEN J. WENTWORTH CAMP NO. 14, SONS OF VETERANS, U. S. A., OF SOMERSWORTH, N. H.

SECTION
1. Corporation constituted.
2. First meeting.

SECTION
3. Takes effect on passage; subject to repeal.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Corporation constituted.

SECTION 1. That William H. Whitehouse, John W. Dufney, Frank P. Waterhouse, Charles R. Bragdon, Arthur Cochrane, James H. Joyce, James E. Winn, R. Howard Ray, William L. Marston, George L. Aldrich, and William F. Russell, their associates and successors, be and hereby are made a body corporate and politic by the name of Stephen J. Wentworth Camp No. 14, Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., of Somersworth, N. H., for such moral, charitable, and benevolent purposes as said corporation may from time to time designate, and by that name may sue and be sued,

prosecute and defend to final judgment, and shall be vested with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities of corporations of similar nature; and may take and hold real and personal estate, to an amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, and the same may sell, use, and dispose of at pleasure; and may make and establish such by-laws and regulations as may be necessary for the purposes of this act.

SECT. 2. The first five of said grantees, or either of them, ^{First meeting.} may call the first meeting of this corporation at such time and place as they may deem expedient and in such manner as they may think proper.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage, and the legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal the same whenever ^{Takes effect on passage; subject to repeal.} in their opinion the public good requires it.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 278.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HANSON FAMILY ASSOCIATION.

SECTION

1. Corporation constituted.
2. Principal place of business.
3. Certificates of membership.

SECTION

4. Officers.
5. Subject to repeal; takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Benjamin F. Hanson, of Somersworth, New Hampshire, George W. Hanson, of Sanford, Maine, Herbert Canney, of Dover, New Hampshire, Mary S. Burnham, of Portland, Maine, and Martha N. Hanson, of Rochester, New Hampshire, descendants of Thomas Hanson, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate, under the name of the Hanson Family Association, for the purpose of maintaining an association among the descendants of the immigrant Thomas Hanson, who settled in Dover, in the state of New Hampshire, in or about the year 1658, and for the purpose of compiling and preserving the history and genealogy of the Hanson family, and with the right to acquire and hold personal property and the whole or any part of the lands owned and occupied as a homestead by said Thomas Han- ^{Corporation constituted.}

son in said Dover, for the purpose of developing and improving said lands as a family memorial.

Place of business. SECT. 2. The principal place of business of said corporation shall be in Dover, in the state of New Hampshire.

Certificates of membership. SECT. 3. Said corporation may issue certificates of membership to any descendant of said immigrant Thomas Hanson, and to the husband or wife of such descendant, which certificates shall specify the number of shares which the holder thereof owns in said corporation, and make by-laws, not inconsistent with the laws of this state, for the government of its concerns and prescribing the conditions on which such certificates and shares shall be issued.

Officers. SECT. 4. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a president, secretary, treasurer, a board of not more than fifteen trustees, and such other officers as may by its by-laws be provided for. Such trustees shall be divided into three classes, the first to hold office for one year, the second for two years, and the third for three years; and at the expiration of their respective terms of office their successors shall be elected for three years in each class.

Subject to repeal; takes effect on passage. SECT. 5. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever the public good may require, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 279.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO ENLARGE AND DEFINE THE BOUNDARIES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20 IN THE CITY OF CONCORD, AND TO CHANGE THE NAME THEREOF," APPROVED APRIL 5, 1907.

SECTION
1. Boundaries of district established.

SECTION
2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

District boundaries established.

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 290, Laws of 1907, is hereby amended by striking out the word "two" in the twelfth line of said section and substituting therefor the word three, so that said section when amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. Said district shall be bounded as follows: Beginning at the northeast cor-

ner of the land of Hiram Eastman and on the line between Concord and Boscawen, thence southerly following the easterly outline of said Eastman's land to the Contoocook river; thence by and across said river in a direct line to the northeasterly corner of land of Thomas H. Murray, lying on the southerly side of said river; thence southerly by the easterly line of said Murray's land to land of Laura Elliott, formerly owned by Aaron Elliott; thence easterly by said Elliott's land to the land of the estate of Leonard Speed, formerly land of L. M. Hoyt; thence southerly by the westerly line of said Speed land to the line between wards one and three in said city of Concord; thence following said ward line northerly and easterly to the old channel of the Merrimack river; thence easterly and down said old channel to the Merrimack river; thence up said river to the southerly line of land of George W. Silver, lying on the easterly side of said river; thence easterly by said Silver's south line to the highway leading from said Silver's house to the house of Albert Stevens; thence southerly by said highway to the line of the Concord & Montreal Railroad; thence northerly by the line of said railroad to the Concord north line; thence westerly by said town line to the point of beginning. The homesteads of Ira S. Holmes and Charles Smith in the town of Canterbury to remain attached to said district as heretofore.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 280.

AN ACT LEGALIZING THE BIENNIAL ELECTION OF THE TOWN OF MONT VERNON, HELD NOVEMBER 3, 1914.

SECTION

1. Election legalized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Whereas, the warrant for the biennial election of the town of Mont Vernon, county of Hillsborough, held on the third day of November, 1914, was not posted the full number of days required by statute prior to said biennial election, and whereas said meeting and election were legal in all other respects, it is hereby Election legalized.

enacted that all acts done and elections made and declared at said meeting be and hereby are legalized and shall have the same force and effect as though said warrant had been posted the full number of days required by statute prior to said meeting and election, and they are hereby fully ratified, legalized, and confirmed.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 281.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 41, LAWS OF 1815, ENTITLED
 "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TRUSTEES OF THE WIDOWS' CHARITABLE FUND."

SECTION

1. Name changed.
2. Right to hold funds.

SECTION

3. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Name changed.

SECTION 1. That the name of said corporation as incorporated by Chapter 41, Laws of 1815, be changed to the New Hampshire Congregational Ministers' and Widows' Fund.

Right to hold funds.

SECT. 2. That said corporation be and it hereby is empowered to hold funds given for the support of aged or necessitous clergymen, and the necessitous families of deceased clergymen, to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 10, 1915.]

CHAPTER 282.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE SURETY COMPANY.

SECTION
1. Charter amended.

SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Section 6 of chapter 351, Laws of 1913, entitled "An Charter amended. act to incorporate the New Hampshire Surety Company," is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following new sentence: This act shall be void and inoperative unless said corporation shall be organized and begin business on or before May 1, 1917; so that said section 6 as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 6. The first three persons named in this act or any two of them may call the first meeting of the members of the corporation by giving to all the above named members a notice in writing five days before said meeting. This act shall be void and inoperative unless said corporation shall be organized and begin business on or before May 1, 1917.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 283.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 328, LAWS OF 1909, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE AMOSKEAG MANUFACTURING COMPANY TO CONSTRUCT A DAM ACROSS THE MERRIMACK RIVER BELOW GOFF'S FALLS," EXTENDING THE TIME FOR CONSTRUCTING THE SAME.

SECTION
1. Rights transferred to grantee's successor.

SECTION
2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Chapter 328, Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by Rights transferred striking out from section 7 the last two words, viz., "its passage," to grantee's successor. and inserting in place the following words: May 1, 1913. And

all the rights, powers, privileges, liabilities, and duties by this act granted to and imposed upon the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, a corporation organized under the laws of this state, are hereby granted to and imposed upon the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, a voluntary association established by a declaration of trust, dated Manchester, N. H., September 29, 1911, and its successors, said association having succeeded said corporation in its business and become the owner of its properties; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 7. The provisions of this act shall be inoperative and void unless said dam shall be completed within six years from and after May 1, 1913. And all the rights, powers, privileges, liabilities, and duties by this act granted to and imposed upon the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, a corporation organized under the laws of this state, are hereby granted to and imposed upon the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, a voluntary association established by a declaration of trust, dated Manchester, N. H., September 29, 1911, and its successors, said association having succeeded said corporation in its business and become the owner of its properties.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 284.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 303, LAWS OF 1909, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ST. MARY'S CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT ASSOCIATION."

SECTION

1. Investment of funds.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Investment of funds.

SECTION 1. Section 5 of chapter 303, Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section after the word "therein" the following words: or invested in such bonds or other securities as may be approved and permitted by the bank commissioner; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 5. The funds of the association may be either loaned to the shareholders for such terms and purposes and upon such security as the committee of credit shall approve, or deposited to the credit of the

association in savings banks or trust companies incorporated under the laws of this state, or in national banks located therein, or invested in such bonds or other securities as may be approved and permitted by the bank commissioner.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 285.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE AMHERST WATER COMPANY.

SECTION

1. Corporation constituted.
2. Capital stock.
3. Meetings of corporation.
4. Right to hold property and lay pipes.
5. Right of eminent domain.
6. Contracts authorized.

SECTION

7. May issue notes and bonds.
8. First meeting.
9. Corporation is public utility.
10. Prior act repealed; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That Charles P. Dodge, William D. Clark, Frank C. Taylor, Lindley F. Wyman, Harold H. Wilkins, George K. Walker, Frank M. Ackerman, and William W. Goodale, all of Amherst, in the county of Hillsborough, their successors, associates, and assigns, shall be and are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Amherst Water Company, for the purpose of constructing a system of pipes and water-works, and supplying individuals and corporations in the town of Amherst, New Hampshire, with water for domestic use, manufacturing purposes, and the extinguishing of fires, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and are hereby vested with all the powers and subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.

SECT. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of such number of shares, not exceeding one hundred dollars each, as may from time to time be determined by said corporation, not exceeding in the whole sum thirty thousand dollars.

SECT. 3. The annual and all special meetings of this corporation shall be held at such times and places and by such notices as may be provided by the by-laws of the corporation.

Right to hold
property and lay
pipes.

SECT. 4. Said corporation is empowered to purchase and hold in fee simple, or otherwise, any real or personal estate necessary for the carrying into effect the purposes of this act, and said corporation is authorized to enter upon and break ground, dig ditches, and make excavations in any street, place, square, passageway, or highway, through which it may be deemed necessary for the pipes and water-works of said company to pass, be, or exist, and for the purpose of placing its pipes, hydrants, stand-pipes, wells, structures, and such materials as may be deemed necessary for constructing said system of pipes and water-works and to relay and repair the same, subject to such regulations as to the safety of citizens and security of public travel as the selectmen of the town may prescribe.

Right of eminent
domain.

SECT. 5. Said corporation is authorized to enter upon and appropriate the land, water, springs, and subterranean water upon the William Rhodes place, so called, on the Nashua road, now owned by one Hodgman, and to secure said water by fence or otherwise, and to dig ditches, make excavations, stand-pipes, and reservoirs through, over, in, or upon any land or enclosure through which it may be necessary for said pipes and water to pass, or said excavations, reservoirs, and water-works to be or exist, for the purpose of obtaining, holding, preserving, or conducting said water and placing such pipes and other material and works as may be necessary for building or operating such water-works, or repairing the same; *provided*, that if it be necessary to enter upon and appropriate any land for the purpose aforesaid, or to raise or lower the level of said waters, and the said corporation shall not be able to agree with the owner thereof for the damages that may be done by said corporation, or the owner shall be unknown, either party may apply to the superior court, at a trial term, in the county of Hillsborough, have the same laid out and the damages determined, and said court shall refer the same to the county commissioners for said county, who shall appoint a time and place of hearing, and give notice thereof in the same manner as now provided by law for laying out highways. Said commissioners shall make report to said court, and said court may issue execution thereon accordingly; but if either party shall desire it, upon application to said court before reference to said commissioners, they shall be entitled to a trial by jury in such manner and under such regulations as said court may prescribe.

Contracts au-
thorized.

SECT. 6. Said corporation may make contracts with individuals, corporations, village and fire precincts, for supplying them with water and hydrant service, and may establish such tolls and charge such rents therefor as may be deemed reasonable; and said corporation is hereby authorized, empowered, and shall sell to said town of

Amherst, or any fire precinct hereafter organized therein, all its works, constructions, and estate of whatever kind or nature, at a fair and equitable valuation, all the property, rights, privileges, and franchises of said corporation; and in fixing and agreeing upon the proper value of said Amherst Water Company, said town of Amherst, by its proper officers, is hereby authorized and empowered to agree with the Amherst Water Company and its officers in any suitable method upon a disinterested commission of three or more individuals, who may appraise the true and equitable value of said Amherst Water Company, and the value so fixed upon to be the purchase price for said property. Should said town of Amherst be unable to agree with said Amherst Water Company upon a fair and equitable price for its property in the manner provided in this section, application may be made to the superior court for the county of Hillsborough, at the trial term thereof, for fixing the valuation of said property rights and franchises, and said court may refer the same to the county commissioners for said county.

SECT. 7. Said corporation is authorized to borrow money to defray the cost of such water-works, water rights, and land damages, and may issue its notes, bonds, or obligations therefor, not exceeding one half its capital stock, actually paid in and unimpaired, payable at such times and at such rates of interest, not exceeding six per cent., as it may determine, and may, if it be deemed expedient, secure such notes, bonds, or obligations by a mortgage of all its estate, real, personal, and mixed, which mortgage shall be recorded in the office of the register of deeds for the county of Hillsborough. Notes and bonds.

SECT. 8. Any two of the first named grantees may call the first meeting of the corporation by giving a printed or written notice to the other members at least ten days before the day of meeting, or by leaving such notice at their last place of abode, ten days before such meeting. The right is hereby reserved to alter, amend or repeal this charter, or any part thereof. First meeting.

SECT. 9. The corporation hereby created shall be a public utility, and shall be subject to the supervision of the public service commission in respect to engaging in business, capitalization, service, rates for service, and in all other respects as if incorporated under the general law. Is public utility.

SECT. 10. Chapter 380, Laws of 1913, is hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage. Prior act repealed; takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 286.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ERROL AND BERLIN ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

SECTION

1. Corporation constituted.
2. Capital stock.
3. How laid out in highways.
4. How laid out elsewhere.
5. Location of tracks.
6. Selectmen may make certain regulations.

SECTION

7. Rights reserved to towns.
8. Company to keep highways in repair.
9. Subject to general law.
10. First meeting.
11. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Corporation constituted.

SECTION 1. N. R. Leach, Homer R. Leach, Albert W. Kelley, Alphonso Curtis, and Leroy H. Bragg, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Errol and Berlin Electric Railway Company, with power to construct, maintain, and operate a railway, with convenient sidings, turnouts, and switches, from the northerly terminus of the Berlin Street Railway in the city of Berlin in the County of Coos to some convenient point in the town of Errol in said county; and may also construct and maintain suitable buildings, dams, water and other motors, engines, electric and other machinery for the generation of electricity or other motive power, except steam, for the operation of said railway.

Capital stock.

SECT. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed one million dollars, and shall be divided into shares of a par value of one hundred dollars each; but said company shall issue capital stock and bonds to such an amount only as may be necessary to construct and equip said railway, including the amount required to provide motive power for the operation thereof; and its bonded and other indebtedness shall at no time exceed the amount of its capital stock actually paid in. The amount of capital stock and bonds to be so issued from time to time shall be determined and issued in accordance with the provisions of the general laws.

How laid out in highways.

SECT. 3. All parts of said railway occupying any portion of the public highway or street shall be located thereon by the city council of said city of Berlin or by the selectmen of the town in which said portions of highways or streets may be. Said city council and the selectmen of said towns, respectively, upon petition of the directors of said railway for a location of its tracks on or over any public highway upon the line of said route, shall give notice by publication to all parties interested of the time and place at which

they will consider said petition for location in the public highways of said town; and after a public hearing of all persons interested, they may make an order granting the same or any portion thereof, under such restrictions and upon such conditions as they may deem the interests of the public require; and the location thus granted shall be deemed to be the true location of the tracks of said railway. But upon petition of any party interested, and after a public hearing of all parties, the same may be changed at any time to other parts of the same highway or street by subsequent order of said city council or said selectmen or their successors in office, if in their judgment the public good requires such change; but if such order is made after the construction of said railway on the original location, an appeal therefrom by any party interested may be had to the public service commission, whose decision shall be final; and the expense of making such change in location shall be apportioned by the public service commission between the railway and the town, as such board may deem just.

SECT. 4. All parts of said railway not located in a public highway shall be laid out, located, and the location changed under the provisions of chapter 158 of the Public Statutes; and said railway corporation and all persons whose property shall be taken for its use shall have respectively all the rights and privileges, and be subject to all the duties, restrictions, and liabilities, contained in said chapter. How laid out elsewhere.

SECT. 5. Said city council and the selectmen of the towns through which said railway shall pass, shall, within their respective municipalities, have exclusive and final jurisdiction to locate tracks, side-tracks, turnouts, and poles for said railway, and may order said railway to discontinue temporarily the use of any of its tracks in any highway, whenever they deem that the convenience and safety of the public requires such discontinuance, without incurring any liability therefor; and from such orders there shall be no appeal. Location of tracks.

SECT. 6. Said city council and the selectmen of the towns through which said railway shall pass, respectively, may designate the quality and kind of materials to be used in the construction of said railway within their said towns, and may from time to time make such reasonable orders, rules, and regulations, with reference to that portion of said railway occupying the public highways in their respective towns, as to the rate of speed, the manner of operating said railway, the reconstruction of tracks, poles, wires, switches, and turnouts within any highway in their respective towns, as the interest or convenience of the public may require; and all designations, orders, rules, and regulations thus made or Selectmen may make certain regulations.

established, and all locations made by city council or selectmen, shall be forthwith recorded in the records of said respective towns. The railway company, or any persons interested, may at any time appeal from such designations, orders, rules, and regulations thus made and established to the public service commission, who shall upon notice hear the parties and finally determine the questions raised by such appeal.

Rights reserved to towns.

SECT. 7. Said city of Berlin and said towns, for any lawful purpose, may take up and repair highways occupied by said railway, or may alter highways as authorized by law, without incurring any liability therefor to said corporation.

Company to keep highways in repair.

SECT. 8. Said railway corporation shall keep in repair, to the satisfaction of the superintendent of streets, street commissioner, road commissioner, or surveyor of highways, in the said city of Berlin and in the respective towns, subject to an appeal to the city council of said city or to the selectmen of the respective towns, the surface material of the portion of highways and bridges occupied by its tracks, and shall keep in suitable repair for public travel the highway for at least eighteen inches on each side of the portion of the highway so occupied for its tracks; and shall be liable for any damage, loss, or injury that any person not in its employ may sustain by reason of the carelessness, negligence, or misconduct of its agents and servants in the construction, management, or use of its tracks.

Subject to general law.

SECT. 9. Said railway corporation shall be subject to all the provisions of the general laws, except as modified by the provisions herein.

First meeting.

SECT. 10. Any three of the grantees may call the first meeting by publication, or by giving personal notice to the other grantees at least ten days prior to the time of meeting.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 11. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 287.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 366, LAWS OF 1913, CHAPTER 309, LAWS OF 1893, AND CHAPTER 241, LAWS OF 1891, RELATING TO THE CITY OF ROCHESTER.

SECTION

1. Ward limits defined.
2. Present officers not affected.

SECTION

3. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Chapter 366, Laws of 1913, is hereby amended by striking out all of sections 3 and 4 of said act and inserting in the place thereof the following: Ward limits defined.

The city of Rochester is hereby divided into six wards which shall be constituted as follows:

Ward No. 1 shall include all that part of said Rochester bounded northwesterly by the town lines of Farmington and Milton, northeasterly by the Salmon Falls river, southeasterly by the town line of Somersworth, and southwesterly by a line commencing on the Farmington town line at the road leading past the dwelling house of J. E. Kimball, thence running southeasterly by said road past the dwelling house of Leonard W. Smith to the Portsmouth, Great Falls & Conway branch of the Boston & Maine Railroad, thence by said railroad southeasterly to its first intersection with the Wakefield road, thence southeasterly in a direct course to the Portland & Rochester Railroad at the culvert next northeasterly from the cellar over which formerly stood the dwelling house of the late Ebenezer Jacobs, thence southeasterly in a direct course to the intersection of the old and new roads from Rochester village to East Rochester near the dwelling house of Maynard Russell, thence by the center of said old road past the dwelling house of Frank P. Wentworth to the Chamberlain road, thence by the Chamberlain road (but excluding all inhabitants residing upon it) to the road from Rochester village to Great Falls, thence by said road southeasterly to the easterly corner of the homestead farm of George D. Pike, thence southwesterly by said Pike's land to a point on a line with the Chamberlain road aforesaid, thence southeasterly on a line with said Chamberlain road to said branch of said Boston & Maine Railroad, thence by said railroad to the town line of Somersworth. Ward No. 1.

Ward No. 2 shall include all that part of said Rochester bounded northwesterly by a line commencing on the Cochecho river at a passway on the northwesterly side of land of Victoria A. Hodgdon in Rochester village, thence by said passway northeasterly to the Ward No. 2.

junction of Spring and Sheridan streets, thence by Spring street to Charles street at the junction with Knight street, thence by Knight street to Main street, thence by Main street to Winter street, thence by Winter street to Adams street, thence by Adams street to said old road leading from Rochester village to East Rochester, thence by said old road to the Chamberlain road aforesaid, northeasterly by the southwesterly bounds of Ward No. 1, including all inhabitants residing upon said Chamberlain road, southeasterly by the town line of Somersworth, to the track of the Dover, Somersworth & Rochester Street Railway, thence running northwesterly by said railway track to Jeremiah Richardson's Corner (so called), thence northwesterly by the old Dover road, past the dwelling house of Sarah A. McDuffee, to the track of the Worcester, Nashua & Rochester branch of the Boston & Maine Railroad, thence southwesterly by said railroad to the Cocheco river, thence northwesterly by said river to the passway aforesaid.

Ward No. 3.

Ward No. 3 shall include all that part of said Rochester bounded easterly by that part of the boundary line of Ward No. 2 which runs from the Somersworth line to the Cocheco river, thence by said river to a point where the Hurd brook enters the same, thence by said brook to the point where it passes under the road leading to the French Catholic cemetery, thence by said road northerly to the road leading from Rochester to Barrington, thence crossing said road and running northwesterly by the road lying east of the residence of Charles A. Allen to the Meaderboro road, thence turning and running northwesterly by said Meaderboro road to the junction of the Sampson road and the Meaderboro road, thence running northwesterly on said Sampson road to the intersection of said road with another road near the residence of Moses Page, thence running in a straight line in continuation of the Sampson road to the Farmington town line, thence southwesterly on said Farmington town line to the Strafford town line, thence southeasterly by the town lines of Strafford and Barrington to the Dover line, thence northeasterly by the boundary lines of Dover and Somersworth to the point begun at.

Ward No. 4.

Ward No. 4 shall include all that part of said Rochester commencing at the junction of the Hurd brook with the Cocheco river, thence running northerly by said river to Bridge street, thence by said Bridge street northeasterly to North Main street, thence northerly by said North Main street to Strafford square, thence northwesterly by Walnut street to Twombly street, thence northeasterly by said Twombly street to said North Main street, thence northerly by said North Main street and the Farmington road to the Farmington town line, thence southeasterly by the boundary line of Ward No. 3 to said junction of the Hurd brook with the Cocheco river.

Ward No. 5 shall include all that part of said Rochester bounded Ward No. 5. northwesterly by the town line of Farmington, northeasterly by the southwesterly bounds of Ward No. 1, southeasterly by a line commencing on the Portland & Rochester Railroad at its intersection with the southwest bounds of Ward No. 1, thence running southwesterly by said railroad to Autumn street, thence by said Autumn street to Wakefield street, thence crossing said Wakefield street to said North Main street, thence by said North Main street to said Bridge street to the bounds of Ward No. 4, thence westerly by said North Main and Walnut streets, following the boundary lines of Ward No. 4 as herein before defined to the Farmington town line at the point begun at.

Ward No. 6 shall include all that part of said Rochester not Ward No. 6. embraced in the other wards as herein constituted.

SECT. 2. All present incumbents of the city offices shall serve Present officers not affected. out their unexpired terms for the several wards to which they were elected, and have the same powers and duties in every respect as if section 1 of this act had not been adopted.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage. are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 17, 1915.]

CHAPTER 288.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF COLEBROOK TO EXEMPT HOTEL PROPERTY FROM LOCAL TAXATION.

SECTION

1. Authority granted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Colebrook is authorized to exempt Authority granted. from local taxation for a time, not exceeding ten years, the golf club building and other buildings actually used in connection with the golf course which is a part of the hotel property of Henry S. Hale. This act does not authorize said town to exempt from taxation any farm property or land owned by said Hale in said town.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 289.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BERLIN TO APPROPRIATE MONEY IN AID OF THE ST. LOUIS HOSPITAL OF SAID CITY.

SECTION

- 1. Authority granted.
- 2. Male nurse to be provided.

SECTION

- 3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Authority granted.

SECTION 1. The city of Berlin, in the county of Coos, is hereby authorized and empowered to appropriate and pay over to the St. Louis Hospital, in said city, as a contribution toward its support and maintenance, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars each year for a period not exceeding ten years, to be paid from any funds in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Male nurse to be provided.

SECT. 2. A trained male nurse shall be in regular attendance upon all male patients in said hospital.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 290.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE GRANITE LODGE NO. 1056, LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

SECTION

- 1. Corporation constituted.
- 2. Payment of benefits.
- 3. Right to hold property.

SECTION

- 4. First meeting.
- 5. Subject to repeal.
- 6. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Corporation constituted.

SECTION 1. That Ovide J. Coulombe, Charles E. Clark, Thomas H. Milligan, C. E. Bushey, Alexander Hamilton, Eugene Bean, L. H. Wilkins, and R. P. Griffith, their associate members of said lodge and their successors, be and hereby are made a body politic, incorporate by the name of Granite Lodge No. 1056, Loyal Order of Moose of Berlin, N. H., for charitable and benevolent purposes, and by that name may sue, be sued, prosecute and defend all actions to final judgment and execution, and shall be and hereby

are made subject to all liabilities of corporations of a similar nature.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may enact by-laws providing for the payment of weekly benefits to those of its members who may become sick and for payment of funeral expenses of those who may die, and may also make such other by-laws and regulations as they are authorized to make by the supreme lodge of the order, not inconsistent with the laws of this state. Payment of benefits.

SECT. 3. Said corporation shall have power to hold real and personal estate by purchase, gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise to the amount of not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars, and may dispose of the same at pleasure. Right to hold property.

SECT. 4. The dictator of the lodge may call the first meeting of this corporation at such time and place and in such manner as he may think proper, at which time the necessary and usual officers may be chosen. First meeting.

SECT. 5. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever the public good may require it. Subject to repeal.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 291.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE VOTE OF THE TOWN OF STRATFORD TAKEN ON MARCH 9, 1915.

SECTION

1. Action legalized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The action of the town school district of the town of Stratford, in the county of Coos, taken on March 9, 1915, whereby it was voted that the town purchase a site and erect thereon and equip a new school building in said town, and that said town district issue bonds to the amount of thirty thousand dollars, bearing not less than four per cent. nor more than four and one half per cent. interest, payable October 1 of each year, is hereby confirmed and legalized. Action legalized.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 292.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE EXETER, HAMPTON & AMESBURY STREET RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

SECTION

1. Charter amended.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Charter amended. SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 233, Laws of 1901, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following words: and for the payment of funeral expenses of such of its members as may de cease; so that said section as amended shall read: SECT. 2. Said association may receive funds from any source, and hold and dispose of the same as trustee for the aid and relief of sick and disabled members by the payment of sick benefits, and for the payment of funeral expenses of such of its members as may de cease.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 293.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT PASSED AT THE JUNE SESSION, 1813 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE A NUMBER OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF MILFORD AND OTHER TOWNS ADJACENT IN THE COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH INTO A RELIGIOUS SOCIETY BY THE NAME OF THE FIRST BAPTIST SOCIETY IN MILFORD," AND OTHER ACTS IN AMENDMENT THERETO.

SECTION 1. Annual meetings, when to be held.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Annual meetings. SECTION 1. The said First Baptist Society in Milford is authorized and empowered to hold its annual meeting upon the first Tuesday of February in each year, or such other date as the by-laws of said society may provide.

[Approved March 24, 1915.]

CHAPTER 294.

AN ACT RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN OF LITTLETON AT ITS TOWN MEETING HELD ON THE NINTH DAY OF MARCH, 1915.

SECTION

1. Proceedings ratified and confirmed.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The votes of the town of Littleton passed at its annual meeting held on the ninth day of March, 1915, with refer-
ence to the payment or temporary refunding of forty thousand dollars of town bonds maturing April 1, 1915, which votes authorize the selectmen, in case an immediate liquidation of the securities in the town's sinking fund would result in undue loss, to borrow the whole or a part of the sum necessary for the payment of said bonds on temporary notes of the town payable at maturity out of said sinking fund, are hereby ratified, confirmed, legalized, and made valid in all respects, and any notes issued pursuant to said votes shall be valid and binding obligations of said town and may be paid out of said sinking fund as provided in said votes.

Proceedings ratified and confirmed.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 30, 1915.]

CHAPTER 295.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON.

SECTION

1. Proceedings legalized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The proceedings of the special meeting of the town of Farmington, holden in said town on the twenty-fifth day of April, 1913, are hereby legalized, ratified, and confirmed.

Proceedings legalized.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 296.

AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 299, LAWS OF 1911, ENTITLED "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT IN AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER, ESTABLISHING THE OFFICE OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR PROVIDED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE, CHAPTER 291, SESSION LAWS OF 1909."

SECTION

1. Prior act repealed.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Prior act repealed.

SECTION 1. Chapter 299, Laws of 1911, is hereby repealed.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 297.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF LACONIA.

SECTION

1. School district established.
2. Subject to existing law.
3. Board of education continued.

SECTION

4. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

District created.

SECTION 1. There is hereby created and established within the limits of the city of Laconia a single school district which shall be called the Laconia School District.

Subject to existing law.

SECT. 2. Said district shall be subject to all the laws now existing or which may be hereafter enacted pertaining to town school districts.

Board of education continued.

SECT. 3. The board of education, as now constituted, shall continue in office until their respective terms of office shall expire.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 298.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3, CHAPTER 194, LAWS OF 1897,
ENTITLED "AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR SUBURBAN
CEMETERIES IN NASHUA, NEW HAMPSHIRE."

SECTION

1. Trustees may purchase adjoining
land.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage; repealing
clause.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Amend section 3. chapter 194, Laws of 1897, by adding at the end of said section the following: Said board of trustees shall have the same power and authority as cities and towns now or hereafter may have in such premises, to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, land adjoining said cemeteries, to be used in connection therewith for the same purposes; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 3. The proceeds of sale of lots or rights of burial, appropriations by the city councils, or other moneys, except as hereinafter provided, received for said cemeteries, shall be paid into the city treasury, to be kept separate from any other funds of the city, and subject to the order of said trustees, and shall be devoted to the care, improvement, embellishment, and enlargement of said cemeteries under the direction of said trustees. Said board of trustees shall have the same power and authority as cities and towns now or hereafter may have in such premises, to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, land adjoining said cemeteries, to be used in connection therewith for the same purposes.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 299.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER, KNOWN AS CHAPTER 241 OF THE LAWS OF 1891, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE CITY OF ROCHESTER," AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 309, LAWS OF 1893, AND CHAPTER 366, LAWS OF 1913.

SECTION

- 1. Mayor and council.
- 2. Supervisors of check-list.
- 3. Ward officers.
- 4. Mayor, powers, duties, and salary of.
- 5. Election of councilmen.
- 6. City clerk.
- 7. Prior provisions repealed.

SECTION

- 8. Prior provisions repealed.
- 9. Takes effect upon adoption.
- 10. Vote upon adoption, how and when taken; form of ballots; return of votes and recount.
- 11. Takes effect, when.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Mayor and council.

SECTION 1. Amend section 3 of chapter 241, Laws of 1891, by striking out the word "eighteen" from the fourth line and inserting in place thereof the word six, and by adding after the words "city council" in the last line thereof the following: and each councilman shall receive two dollars for each session of the city council he shall attend; so that said section shall read as follows:

SECT. 3. The administration of all the fiscal, prudential, and municipal affairs of said city and the government thereof shall be vested in one principal officer to be called the mayor, and one board consisting of six members to be called the council, the members whereof shall be called councilmen, and the mayor and council shall sit and act together and compose one body, and in their joint capacity shall be denominated the city council, and each councilman shall receive two dollars for each session of the city council he shall attend.

Supervisors of check-list.

SECT 2. Further amend said act by striking out the whole of section 7, and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 7. Each ward at every biennial election shall choose by ballot and plurality vote one supervisor of the check-list, and the mayor shall on the first Wednesday of January next following each biennial election nominate one supervisor of the check-list, who, upon being confirmed by a vote of three or more members of the council, shall hold office for the term of two years. The persons thus chosen shall constitute a board of supervisors of check-lists of all the wards of the city, and the member chosen by the mayor and city council shall be chairman of the board. All vacancies occurring in the board shall be filled by nomination of the mayor and confirmed by vote of three or more councilmen.

SECT. 3. Amend section 13 of said act by striking out from the last line thereof the words "the city council" and adding thereto the following: nomination of the mayor confirmed by vote of three or more councilmen; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 13. At each annual election a moderator and town clerk shall be chosen by and from the qualified voters of each ward, who shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year; and at the first annual election after the adoption of this act three selectmen shall be chosen by and from the qualified voters of each ward to serve, one for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years; and at each annual election thereafter one selectman shall be chosen by and from the legal voters of each ward to serve for the term of three years. All vacancies in any of said offices in any ward shall be filled by nomination of the mayor confirmed by vote of three or more councilmen.

SECT. 4. Amend section 14 of said act by inserting after the word "aldermen" in the fourth line thereof the following: He shall be the chief executive officer of the city and shall cause all its laws and ordinances to be enforced and executed; he shall annually in the month of January nominate an assistant city clerk, city treasurer, tax collector, highway commissioner, superintendent of water-works and sewers, a board of health (to consist of a city physician, overseer of the poor, and sanitary officer), a board of tax assessors consisting of three members, city solicitor, city marshal, assistant city marshal, night watchman, one or more policemen at East Rochester, one or more policemen at Gonic, a chief engineer of the fire department, assistant engineers, and such other officers and agents of the city as he may deem necessary, all of whom shall be qualified voters of the city; and when his nominations shall be confirmed by vote of three or more councilmen duly assembled, said officers shall be elected, and entitled to the offices to which they have been nominated by the mayor, and shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year and until others are elected and qualified in their stead, and all vacancies occurring in any of said offices, in the school board, or board of supervisors, shall be filled in the same manner. And the mayor shall have general supervision of the conduct of all the city officers and agents and shall cause all the affairs and business of the city to be so performed and conducted that the best results and highest efficiency of every department shall be obtained, and shall cause all officers and agents of the city to be prosecuted for violations or neglect of duty, and with the approval vote of three or more councilmen may remove any of said officers and agents from office. Further amend said section by striking out the words "four hun-

Ward officers.

Mayor, powers, duties, and salary of.

dred" from the thirteenth line and inserting in place thereof the words one thousand; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 14. The mayor shall be chosen annually, and shall have a negative upon all the actions of the council to which his veto power would extend had the city government herein constituted provided for a board of aldermen. He shall be the chief executive officer of the city and shall cause all its laws and ordinances to be enforced and executed; he shall annually in the month of January nominate an assistant city clerk, city treasurer, tax collector, highway commissioner, superintendent of waterworks and sewers, a board of health (to consist of a city physician, overseer of the poor, and sanitary officer), a board of tax assessors consisting of three members, city solicitor, city marshal, assistant city marshal, night watchman, one or more policemen at East Rochester, one or more policemen at Gonic, a chief engineer of the fire department, assistant engineers, and such other officers and agents of the city as he may deem necessary, all of whom shall be qualified voters of the city; and when his nominations shall be confirmed by vote of three or more councilmen duly assembled, said officers shall be elected, and entitled to the offices to which they have been nominated by the mayor, and shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year, and until others are elected and qualified in their stead, and all vacancies occurring in any of said offices, in the school board, or board of supervisors, shall be filled in the same manner. And the mayor shall have general supervision of the conduct of all the city officers and agents and shall cause all the affairs and business of the city to be so performed and conducted that the best results and highest efficiency of every department shall be obtained, and shall cause all officers and agents of the city to be prosecuted for violations or neglect of duty, and with the approval vote of three or more councilmen may remove any of said officers and agents from office. He shall also preside in the meetings of the city council, but shall have no vote except in case of an equal division. Whenever the mayor shall be absent or disabled by sickness or otherwise, or whenever the office of mayor shall become vacant by death, resignation, or otherwise, the council may choose one of their members to be chairman, who shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the mayor during his absence or disability, and in case of a vacancy until a mayor shall be elected and qualified to fill it. The mayor shall receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars, to be paid him at stated periods out of the city treasury, and said salary shall be in full for services of every kind rendered by him in the discharge of all duties pertaining to his office.

SECT. 5. Amend section 15 of said act by striking out the whole and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 15. At the annual election of the city to be held on the first Tuesday of December, 1915, and at every annual election of said city thereafter, one councilman shall be chosen by and from the qualified voters of each ward, to serve for the term of one year. Election of councilmen.

SECT. 6. Amend section 17 of said act by striking out the whole thereof after the word "met" in the third line and inserting in place thereof the following: The mayor shall nominate a city clerk, who, upon being confirmed by vote of three or more councilmen, shall also be clerk of the city council; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 17. The mayor and council shall annually, on the first Wednesday of January, meet for the purpose of taking the oaths of their respective offices; and when so met the mayor shall nominate a city clerk, who, upon being confirmed by vote of three or more councilmen, shall also be clerk of the city council. City clerk.

SECT. 7. Further amend said act by striking out the whole of sections 18 and 19 thereof. Prior provisions repealed.

SECT. 8. Further amend said act by striking out the whole of sections 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27 thereof. Prior provisions repealed.

SECT. 9. All other parts of the original charter of said city, and all of the special acts since passed in amendment thereto, not inconsistent with these provisions, are continued in force; all parts thereof inconsistent with these provisions are repealed by this act. But this act shall not take effect unless adopted by a majority of all votes cast at a special election to be held in the city of Rochester on the fourth day of May, 1915, in accordance with the provisions of the following section. Takes effect upon adoption.

SECT. 10. The selectmen of the several wards in said city shall warn the meetings to be holden in their respective wards to pass upon the adoption of this act, in the manner required for the warning of regular biennial elections. They shall insert in their warrant an article providing for taking the sense of the qualified voters upon the following question: Shall the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend the charter of the city of Rochester, known as chapter 241 of the Laws of 1891, entitled 'An act to establish the city of Rochester,' and amendments thereto" be adopted? The city clerk shall seasonably furnish to the selectmen of the several wards the requisite number of warrants and copies of the same in proper form for posting and making their return thereof. The city clerk shall prepare the ballots for use at said election. The number of ballots furnished for use in each ward shall be the same as is by law required to be furnished for use at regular biennial elections, and the laws governing the preparation Vote upon adoption, how and when taken; form of ballots; return of votes and recount.

and furnishing of ballots by the secretary of state for use at regular biennial elections shall be followed by the city clerk so far as applicable. The ballots shall bear on their face the words City of Rochester, Special Election, May 4, 1915, and the question: Shall the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend the charter of the city of Rochester, known as chapter 241 of the Laws of 1891, entitled 'An act to establish the city of Rochester' and amendments thereto" be adopted? Beneath said question shall be printed the word "Yes" and the word "No," with a square immediately opposite each of said words and the voter shall indicate his choice by making a cross in the appropriate square. The ballots shall be indorsed on the back "City of Rochester, Special Election, May 4, 1915, Official Ballot," with a *fac simile* signature of the city clerk. Said election shall be conducted by the regular election officers in each ward, and all laws applicable to regular biennial elections with reference to the correcting, revising, use, and preservation of check-lists, the preparation of voting places, the manner of conducting the election, the counting, record, and return of votes, the sealing and preservation of ballots and tally-sheets, and the duties of election officers, shall apply to and govern said election, except as herein expressly modified. The polls shall be open for the reception of ballots in each ward from ten o'clock in the forenoon until four o'clock in the afternoon. The official return of the vote, and the ballots and tally-sheets, duly sealed up, shall be delivered by the ward clerks to the city clerk within four hours after the close of said election. The city clerk shall seasonably furnish to the several ward clerks suitable blanks for making such returns. The board of mayor and city council shall meet at two o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, May 6, 1915, at the council chamber. The city clerk shall at that time open and lay before them the returns of the votes in the several wards, and they shall canvass the returns and declare the result, which shall be duly recorded by the city clerk. If it shall appear that a majority of those voting at said election have voted in the affirmative, this act shall be declared to have been adopted; otherwise, it shall be declared not to have been adopted. Ten or more legal voters of the city may within one week after such canvass file with the city clerk a petition in writing, requesting a recount of the votes cast at said election. In such case, the city clerk shall within three days thereafter, in the council chamber, open the packages containing the ballots used at said election, in presence of the mayor and city council and such others as may choose to attend. The mayor and city council shall thereupon recount the ballots and declare the result, which shall be duly recorded by the city clerk, and shall be conclusive as to the result of said election. Said election shall be deemed to be

an election within the meaning of all penal statutes of the state relating to offences against the purity of elections, the conduct of elections, and the duties of supervisors of the check-list, moderators, ward clerks, selectmen, inspectors of elections, and all other persons having any duties to perform with reference to said election.

SECT. 11. This act shall take effect as to the preliminaries of and the holding and conduct of the city election to be held on the fourth day of May, 1915, upon its passage, and for all other purposes when approved by a majority of the votes cast in said city election as aforesaid; and, if a majority of the votes so cast shall be in favor of adopting the provisions of this act, then the terms of office of every member of the city council and of all officers and agents of said city shall terminate at ten o'clock in the forenoon of the first Wednesday of January, 1916.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 300.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 222, LAWS OF 1905, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 325, LAWS OF 1911, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WOODSTOCK TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN AN ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER PLANT."

SECTION

1. Purchase of other plants authorized.

SECTION

2. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 1, chapter 222, of the Laws of 1905, as amended by chapter 325 of the Laws of 1911, by inserting after the word "vote," in next to the last line of said section, the following words, to purchase any or all rights that any person, firm, or corporation may have in any electric lighting plant in the towns of Woodstock and Lincoln and, and by adding after the word "constructed," at the end of said section, the words, or purchased, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:
SECTION 1. The town of Woodstock is hereby authorized to construct and maintain an electric light plant, for the purpose of generating and supplying electricity to light the streets and build-

ings in said town and other purposes, and may distribute, convey, and supply the same by metallic wires, or by any other suitable means upon poles erected for that purpose, or in other convenient ways, in any public street or highway in said town, and may relay and repair the same, having proper regard for the rights of the public. Said town is hereby authorized by a major vote to purchase any or all rights that any person, firm, or corporation may have in any electric lighting plant in the towns of Woodstock and Lincoln and to lease or sell at public or private sale said electric light plant or such part thereof as may be constructed or purchased.

Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved March 31, 1915.]

CHAPTER 301.

AN ACT RELATING TO CEMETERIES IN THE TOWN OF ROLLINSFORD.

SECTION

- 1. Trustees provided for.
- 2. Powers of trustees.
- 3. To make all regulations.

SECTION

- 4. Custody of funds.
- 5. Annual report of trustees.
- 6. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Trustees provided for.

SECTION 1. The control and management of the public cemeteries in the town of Rollinsford shall be vested in a board of six trustees, of which the chairman of the board of selectmen shall be a member *ex-officio*. The first five trustees shall be George H. Yeaton, William F. McNally, Joseph D. Roberts, Annie W. Baer, and Ella E. Plumer, who shall hold their offices for one, two, three, four, and five years respectively, in the order named. Whenever a vacancy occurs by the expiration of any of their terms, or the term of any trustee hereafter to be elected, it shall be filled by the joint ballot of the board of trustees and the selectmen in convention, for a term of five years. Any vacancy for any other cause shall be filled in the same manner only for the unexpired term.

Powers of trustees.

SECT. 2. The board of trustees shall have and exercise all the power and authority now or hereafter vested in the town by law, relative to expending appropriations made by the town for its

public cemeteries, or to receiving, managing, and expending any funds and the income thereof now held or hereafter left in trust for the care and improvement of public or private cemeteries within said town, or of burial lots therein.

SECT. 3. The trustees shall make all ordinances and regulations governing the cemeteries in the town, and shall appoint a superintendent who shall be paid by the town a reasonable sum for his services. Said trustees shall serve without pay. To make all regulations.

SECT. 4. The town treasurer shall have the custody of all mon- eys, trust funds, and securities controlled by said board of trustees, and shall pay out the same only upon orders of said board, or of such members or officers as said board may designate for that purpose. Custody of funds.

SECT. 5. The trustees shall annually report to the town an ac- count of their financial operations. Annual report.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 302.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MANCHES- TER, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE MAYOR.

SECTION

- 1. All claims to be audited.
- 2. Mayor to approve expenditures and salary increases.
- 3. To supervise city officials and control expenditures.

SECTION

- 4. To define scope of departments.
- 5. "Department," meaning of.
- 6. Repealing clause; act takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. No bill or claim of any kind against the city of Manchester, contracted for or authorized by any city official, city department, board, trustee, or any other agent or agents having control of the expenditure of any of the money appropriated for the use of said city or for the use of any of the departments above specified, shall be paid by the city treasurer until first audited by the city auditor. All claims to be audited.

SECT. 2. No vote, contract, bargain, agreement, compact, rule, regulation, or resolution proposed or adopted, or which may here- Mayor to approve expenditures and salary increases.

after be proposed or adopted, by the school board, the police commissioners, the trustees of the city library, the board of water commissioners, the department of buildings, the board of assessors, the trustees of any of the cemeteries, or any other city department, committee, board, trustee, official, or agent of the city of Manchester binding said city, or which in any way penalizes said city, or authorizes or contemplates the expenditure of any money appropriated by said city for any purpose in excess of the amount expended or appropriated for that purpose in the year immediately preceding (unless an appropriation for that purpose has been made), shall be valid or in any way construed to be the act of said city unless approved by the mayor prior thereto; and the salary of any official, employee, or agent, either in the employ of said city or in the employ of any of the departments of said city above mentioned, shall not be raised or increased by vote, agreement, or stipulation of any kind, or be changed or altered so as to add to or increase the financial burden of the city on account of salaries (except by previous appropriation), unless by a vote or resolution in writing to that effect, which in every case must be presented to and approved by the mayor before the same becomes valid, effective, or binding on said city; and if so approved by the mayor, said vote or resolution shall be filed in the office of the city clerk. This act shall not apply to the board of mayor and aldermen.

To supervise city officials and control expenditures.

SECT. 3. The mayor, in addition to other powers now conferred upon him, shall have authority over and be charged with the responsibility for the official conduct of all other city officials, agents, employees, or other persons who are now or may hereafter be appointed or elected by the mayor, the board of mayor and aldermen, the board of common council, or the city councils, and shall have general supervision and control over the expenditure of all money appropriated by said city, and shall have all the power and authority necessary to properly carry out and enforce the provisions of this act and all other acts relating to the powers and duties of the mayor, which shall include the power to suspend or otherwise discipline, as the mayor shall deem advisable for the best interests of the city.

To define scope of departments.

SECT. 4. The mayor shall have the power to define the scope and extent of the various city departments which are now or hereafter may be established; and the board of mayor and aldermen, or the board of common council, shall appropriate money in bulk for each of said city departments according to the provisions of chapter 301, Laws of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to city officials, commissioners, trustees, and other persons having control of the public funds of the city of Manchester."

SECT. 5. The word "department" as used in this act shall include every city department which is now or may be hereafter established by law or created by the ordinances of said city, whether the members thereof are elected, or appointed by the mayor, or by the board of mayor and aldermen, or by the board of common council, and shall include every city official, trustee, commissioner, or other agent or employee who is elected or appointed as aforesaid, or who has the expenditure of any money appropriated by said city.

"Department,"
meaning of.

SECT. 6. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or in any way repugnant to the meaning of the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Repealing clause;
act takes effect on
passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 303.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE LOWER BARTLETT AND INTERVALE WATER COMPANY.

SECTION

- 1. Corporation constituted.
- 2. Capital stock.
- 3. Meetings.
- 4. Right to hold property.
- 5. May take certain waters and construct works.

SECTION

- 6. Rates for service.
- 7. Right of eminent domain.
- 8. Contracts authorized.
- 9. May issue notes and bonds.
- 10. First meeting.
- 11. Is public utility.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That Walter Pitman, Whitman C. McGill, and George L. Nute, all of Bartlett in the county of Carroll, and their associates, successors, and assigns, shall be and hereby are made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Lower Bartlett and Intervale Water Company, for the purpose of furnishing and distributing through that part of the town of Bartlett known as Intervale, otherwise known as Lower Bartlett, by subterranean pipes, an adequate supply of water, for the purpose of extinguishing fires, sprinkling streets, domestic and mechanical purposes, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and are hereby invested with all the powers and privileges and made subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Corporation
constituted.

Capital stock. SECT. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of such number of shares, not exceeding one hundred dollars each, as may from time to time be determined by the directors of said corporation, not exceeding in the whole the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.

Meetings. SECT. 3. The annual and all special meetings of the corporation shall be held at such times and places and upon such notice as may be provided by the by-laws of the corporation.

Right to hold property. SECT. 4. Said corporation is empowered to purchase and hold in fee simple, or otherwise, any real or personal estate necessary and proper for carrying into effect the purposes of this act.

May take certain waters and construct works. SECT. 5. Said corporation is authorized to enter upon and appropriate the waters of the east branch of the Saco river, and also is authorized to enter upon and break ground, dig ditches, and make excavations and reservoirs through, over, in, or upon any land, highway, or enclosures in the towns of Bartlett and Jackson through which it may be deemed necessary for said pipes and water to pass, or said excavations, reservoirs and water-works to be or exist, for the purpose of obtaining, holding, preserving, or conducting said water and placing said pipes, other materials, or works, as may be necessary for building and operating such water-works, pipe lines, or other structures appertaining to, or for repairing the same.

Rates for service. SECT. 6. Said corporation shall have power to regulate the use of water by it furnished and distributed, to contract with individuals and corporations for the use of the same, and establish such rules and charge such rentals as shall be deemed reasonable.

Right of eminent domain. SECT. 7. Said corporation may erect such dams, reservoirs, stand-pipes, buildings, and other structures as may be necessary for such water-works, and maintain all other machinery and apparatus used in the operation of said water-works. All acts authorized by this and preceding sections shall be subject to such regulations for the safety of citizens and others and security of public travel as may be prescribed by the selectmen of the towns of Bartlett and Jackson. *Provided*, that if it shall be necessary to enter upon and appropriate said east branch of the Saco river, or lands, highways, enclosures, or other property mentioned in this and aforesaid sections, and the said corporation shall not be able to agree with the riparian or other owners thereof for the damages that may be done by said corporation, or the owners shall be unknown, either party may apply to the superior court for the county of Carroll to have the same laid out and damages determined, and said court shall refer the same to the county commissioners for said county, who shall appoint a time and place of hearing

and give notice thereof in the same manner as is now provided by law for laying out highways. Said commissioners shall make report to said court, and said court may issue execution thereon accordingly; but if either party shall desire it, upon application to said court before reference to said commissioners, he shall have a trial by jury under such regulations as the court may prescribe. Applications under this section may be made, notice ordered and returned, reports filed, and all hearings had, except jury trials, on any day or days during a session of said court in said county, as the court may order.

SECT. 8. Said corporation may make any contract with any municipality, person, or corporation to furnish water, hydrants, and other means and apparatus for extinguishing fires, domestic, mechanical, and such other purposes as may be necessary and proper, and any said municipality is hereby authorized to contract with said corporation for the use of said water hydrants, or other apparatus for the proper uses of such municipality, and may raise and appropriate money therefor, and said towns of Jackson and Bartlett may exempt said corporation from taxes for a period of ten years by a major vote of those present and voting at any town meeting. Contracts authorized.

SECT. 9. Said corporation is authorized to borrow money to defray the cost of such water-works, water rights and land damages, and may issue its notes, bonds, or obligations therefor, not exceeding one half its capital stock actually paid in and unimpaired, payable at such times and at such rates of interest, not exceeding six per cent., as it may determine, and may, if it be deemed expedient, secure such notes, bonds, or obligations by a mortgage of all its estate, real, personal, and mixed, which mortgage shall be recorded in the office of the register of deeds for the county of Carroll. Notes and bonds.

SECT. 10. Any two of the incorporators herein named may call the first meeting of the corporation by giving notice in writing to each of the incorporators of the time and place of the meeting at least seven days before the day of meeting, or by leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode, or by publishing the same in some newspaper in the county; and at said meeting, or any adjourned meeting thereof, or any subsequent meeting, associates may be admitted, all proper officers chosen, the capital stock fixed, and such by-laws and regulations adopted as may be deemed necessary to carry into effect the business of the corporation. First meeting.

SECT. 11. The corporation hereby created shall be a public utility, and shall be subject to the supervision of the public serv- Is public utility.

ice commission in respect to engaging in business, capitalization, service, rates for service, and in all other respects as if incorporated under the general law.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 304.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF NASHUA TO ISSUE BONDS.

SECTION

1. Authority granted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Authority granted. SECTION 1. The city of Nashua is hereby authorized, for the purpose of funding and refunding its outstanding and floating indebtedness existing on December 31, 1914, and not incurred thereafter, as said indebtedness shall be determined under the provision of section 50 of part I, chapter 427, Laws of 1913, entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Nashua," including therein a certain promissory note numbered 781 and dated September 1, 1905, payable to trustees of sinking fund, in the sum of six thousand dollars, to raise, appropriate, and borrow money to an aggregate amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars and to issue its bonds therefor on the credit of the city. Said issue of bonds is to be in addition to bonds already issued on or before December 31, 1914, and then outstanding, and shall not exceed the said amount of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and in no event shall exceed said outstanding and floating indebtedness as the same is determined as aforesaid, and shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the treasurer of the city, and shall have the city seal. Said issue of bonds shall be due and payable at such time, not more than twenty years from their date of issue, and in such amounts and in such manner, either serially or as a sinking fund issue, as the board of aldermen of said city may determine, at a rate of interest to be fixed by said board, not exceeding four per centum per annum. All bonds issued by virtue of this act and signed and sealed as herein provided shall, in favor of *bona fide* holders, be conclusively presumed to have been duly and regularly authorized and issued in accordance with the provisions herein contained; and no holder

thereof shall be obliged to see to the existence of the purpose of the issue, or to the regularity of any of the proceedings by virtue of which said bonds are issued, or to the application of the proceeds of such issue.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

- CHAPTER 305.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 5, CHAPTER 224, LAWS OF 1903, AND TO REPEAL CHAPTER 421, LAWS OF 1913, ESTABLISHING A VILLAGE DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF LISBON.

SECTION

1. Powers of commissioners.
2. Prior act repealed.

SECTION

3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 5, chapter 224, Laws of 1903, by striking out all of said section and substituting therefore the following: SECT. 5. The commissioners shall have, within the district, all the powers conferred by existing law upon the mayor and aldermen of cities respecting highways, sidewalks, and sewers; all the powers of city councils to regulate the use of public highways, sidewalks, and commons, as prescribed in sub-section VII, section 10, chapter 50, of the Public Statutes; all the powers of selectmen of towns respecting the locating and licensing of lines of wire, poles, and other structures of telegraph, telephone, electric light, and power companies, as prescribed in chapter 81 of the Public Statutes, and respecting the granting of permits for riding bicycles without limit of speed, as prescribed in chapter 93, Laws of 1897, and respecting the protection and preservation of ornamental and shade trees, as prescribed in chapter 40 of the Public Statutes and chapter 85, Laws of 1895; all the powers of firewards as prescribed in chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, and of city councils as prescribed by sub-section VIII, section 10, chapter 50, of the Public Statutes. The commissioners shall control and direct the expenditure of all moneys raised under authority of the district and by the town for expenditure in the district. They shall have sole authority to appoint a highway surveyor in said district, and in default of such appointment shall themselves perform the

duties of that office. The surveyor or commissioners performing the duties of highway surveyor in the district shall give bond to the town to account for all money coming into their hands and for the proper care and custody of the property of the town or district which may come into their custody or control, and shall be deemed officers of the town. Nothing in this act shall be construed to impose any distinct or special liability upon the district respecting highways which is not by law imposed on any other highway district in said town. The commissioners shall have, within the district, all the powers of selectmen of towns conferred by chapter 114 of the Public Statutes and amendments thereto, respecting the licensing of shows, billiard tables, and bowling alleys.

SECT. 2. Chapter 421 of the Laws of 1913 is hereby repealed.

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

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

Prior act repealed. Takes effect on passage.

CHAPTER 306.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF DUBLIN TO PROTECT SOURCES OF WATER SUPPLY AND CONSTRUCT WATER-WORKS.

SECTION

- 1. Water-works authorized.
- 2. Right of eminent domain.
- 3. Contracts authorized.
- 4. Board of water commissioners.

SECTION

- 5. Duties of commissioners.
- 6. Appropriations authorized.
- 7. Payment of bonds.
- 8. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Water-works authorized.

SECTION 1. The town of Dublin in the county of Cheshire is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, construct, manage, maintain, and own suitable works, structures, and rights, for the purpose of protecting the sources of water supply in said town, for the preservation and improvement of health, and for the purpose of introducing into and distributing through the villages in said town, or any part of said town, an adequate supply of pure water in subterranean pipes, or otherwise, for extinguishing fires, for the use of its citizens and others, and for such other public, private, and mechanical purposes as said town may from time to time authorize and direct; and for that purpose may take, purchase, and hold, in fee simple or otherwise, any real or personal estate, and any rights therein, and water rights, and do all other things necessary for carrying into effect the purposes of this act, and may excavate and dig canals and ditches in any street, place,

square, passageway, highway, common, or other land or place, over or through which it may be deemed necessary and proper for building, constructing, and extending said works, and may relay, change, enlarge, and extend the same from time to time whenever said town shall deem necessary, and repair the same at pleasure, having due regard for the safety and welfare of its citizens and security of the public travel.

SECT. 2. Said town is authorized and empowered to enter upon, ^{Right of eminent domain.} take, and appropriate any streams, springs, or ponds in said town of Dublin, or any rights or interests therein, and to secure, by fence or otherwise such streams, springs, or ponds, and dig ditches and canals, make excavations or reservoirs, through, over, in, or upon any land or enclosure through which it may be necessary for said works to be or exist, for the purpose of obtaining, holding, preserving, or conducting water for said purposes, or any of them, and placing such pipes or other materials, or works, as may be necessary for building and operating such aqueduct and works, or for repairing the same, and to acquire, construct, and maintain dams and other structures for the purposes aforesaid, or any of them; *provided*, if it shall be necessary to enter upon and appropriate any streams, spring, pond, or any land, or right or easement therein, for the purposes aforesaid, or to raise or lower the level of the same by dam or otherwise, and if said town shall not agree with the owner or owners thereof for the damage that may be done by said town, or such owner or owners shall be unknown, said town, or said owner or owners or party injured, may apply to the trial term of the superior court for the county within which such stream, spring, pond, or land is situate, to have the same laid out and the damages determined, and said court shall refer the same to the county commissioners for said county, who shall appoint a time and place of hearing, and give notice thereof in the same manner as is now provided by law for laying out highways, and said commissioners shall make report to said court, and said court may issue execution accordingly. If either party shall desire, they shall be entitled to a trial by jury, in such manner and under such regulations as the court may prescribe, in the same manner as appeals from the award of damages in the case of laying out of highways.

SECT. 3. Said town is authorized and empowered to contract ^{Contracts authorized.} with individuals and corporations, whether citizens of said town or not, for supplying them with water for any of the purposes herein named or contemplated, and to make such contracts and establish such regulations and tolls for the use of water for any of said purposes as may from time to time be deemed proper and necessary to enjoy the provisions of this act.

Water commis-
sioners.

SECT. 4. For the more convenient management of said works, the said town may place the construction, management, control, and direction of said works in a board of commissioners of works, to consist of three citizens of the town, said commissioners to be vested with such powers and duties relating to the constructing, control, and management of the same as may from time to time be prescribed by said town. Their term of office shall be for three years and until their successors are elected and qualified. The term of one shall expire at the first annual meeting in said town after the first board is elected, one at the second annual meeting held thereafterward, and one at the third annual meeting held thereafterward, and after the first election one shall be elected for three years at each annual meeting to fill the occurring vacancy; *provided, also*, that the term of service of the commissioners first elected shall be designated at the time of their election, or said commissioners may be appointed by the selectmen of said town if the town fail to elect, or if the town at any meeting vote to authorize and instruct the selectmen to appoint said commissioners.

Duties of com-
missioners.

SECT. 5. The compensation of said commissioners shall be fixed by the town. They shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. They shall annually organize by choosing one of their number as chairman of the board, and said board shall appoint a clerk and a superintendent of the works, and such other officers and agents as they may deem necessary, and shall thereupon furnish the town clerk a certificate of such organization, and the town clerk shall record the same in the records of the town. The commissioners shall fix the compensation of all officers and agents appointed by them, and all officers and agents shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said board from any cause, the two remaining members of the board shall fill such vacancy temporarily by appointing a citizen of said town, in writing, which shall be filed with the town clerk and recorded by him on the records of the town; and the person so appointed shall hold the office until the next annual town meeting after his appointment, when the town shall elect a commissioner to fill out the unexpired term, if any, of the person whose office became vacant and was so temporarily filled by appointment. Said commissioners shall annually make a report to the town, at the same time other officers of town report, of the condition of the works financially and otherwise, showing the funds belonging to their department and the expense and income thereof, with such other facts and information as the town should have, which report shall be published in the annual report of said town each year.

Appropriations
authorized.

SECT. 6. Said town is also authorized and empowered, at any

special, annual, or biennial meeting, by a major vote of those present and voting, to raise by taxation and appropriate, or to borrow or hire, such sums of money on the credit of the town as may from time to time be deemed necessary and expedient, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of purchasing real estate, rights in real estate, water rights, streams, springs, ponds, and other rights and property, as aforesaid, and for constructing, maintaining, repairing, extending, enlarging, and operating said works, such indebtedness not to exceed at any one time thirty thousand dollars, and to issue notes or bonds of the town therefor, in such amounts and payable at such time or times and at such rates of interest as may be thought proper, and may exempt such notes or bonds from taxation when held by inhabitants of the town, said notes and bonds to be signed by at least a majority of the selectmen and countersigned by the town treasurer.

SECT. 7. Said town is hereby authorized and empowered to ^{Payment of bonds.} raise by taxation and pay each year the interest of the notes and bonds so issued, and such part of the principal as the town may determine at any annual meeting.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect upon its passage; and the ^{Takes effect on passage.} selectmen of said town are authorized and empowered to call a meeting of said town for the purpose of acting upon any of the provisions of this act in the manner provided for calling special meetings of the voters of said town, without petition therefor.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 307.

AN ACT TO PERMIT THE TOWN OF WINCHESTER TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE CARE AND REPAIR OF THE CITIZENS' CLOCK.

SECTION

1. Authority granted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Winchester may raise not to exceed ^{Authority granted.} the sum of fifty dollars yearly for the care and repairs of the citizens' clock now installed in the belfry of the Universalist church in the village of Winchester.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. ^{Takes effect on passage.}

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 308.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF SALEM TO CONTRACT WITH THE TOWN OF METHUEN FOR A WATER SUPPLY.

SECTION

- 1. Contract authorized.
- 2. Extension of Methuen water-works.

SECTION

- 3. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Contract authorized.

SECTION 1. The town of Salem in the county of Rockingham is hereby authorized and empowered to contract with the town of Methuen in the state of Massachusetts 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 said town of Salem may from time to time authorize and direct.

Extension of Methuen water-works.

SECT. 2. Said town of Salem is also authorized, by a majority vote of those present and voting at any annual or special meeting called for that purpose, to grant the privilege to said town of Methuen to extend its water-works, and manage and maintain the same in those parts of the town of Salem which lie in the vicinity of Wilson's Corner and Hampshire Roads, so called.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 309.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE LACONIA LODGE, NO. 876, OF THE BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS," PASSED AT THE SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE IN 1915.

SECTION

- 1. Right to hold property.

SECTION

- 2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Right to hold property.

SECTION 1. Amend said act by striking out the words and figures in section 2 of said act, "not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)," and inserting in place thereof the words

and figures, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. Said corporation may purchase, take, and hold by deed, gift, or devise, or otherwise, real and personal estate in the name of the corporation to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), and may improve, sell and convey the same property at its pleasure. They shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to the same duties as corporations of a similar nature, and may make such by-laws and regulations as they are authorized to make by the Grand Lodge of the Order not inconsistent with the laws of this state, and may perform any other business not inconsistent with the rules of the Grand Lodge or the statutes of this state.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 310.

AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM TAXATION CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE TOWN OF WOLFEBORO, KNOWN AS THE LIBBY MUSEUM, AND CONTENTS.

SECTION

1. Property exempted.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That the building known as the Libby Museum, situated in the town of Wolfeboro, owned by Dr. Henry F. Libby and used by him for the benefit of the public, for charitable and educational purposes, and for the general public welfare, and the personal property therein contained, also maintained and used for said purposes, be exempt from taxation so long as said building and contents are used for said above mentioned purposes and free of charge to the public, as above provided. Property exempted.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 7, 1915.]

CHAPTER 311.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT PRECINCT IN NORTH CONWAY.

SECTION

1. Precinct established; limits defined.
2. Powers of precinct.
3. Officers, how chosen.

SECTION

4. Taxes, how assessed.
5. First meeting.
6. Takes effect, when.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Precinct established; limits defined.

SECTION 1. A village improvement precinct is hereby established in that part of the town of Conway known as North Conway, to comprise the territory, with its inhabitants, situated within the following described limits: Starting at the southeast-erly corner of Louisa Jones land on Maine Central Railroad, thence running north on said railroad to the so-called mill stream; thence following the so-called mill stream to the Bartlett road; thence westerly on the so-called Bartlett road to the westerly side of Kearsarge road; thence southerly on the so-called Kearsarge road to the northeast corner of M. L. Mason's timber lot; thence westerly on the M. L. Mason line to the Maine Central Railroad; thence northerly to the junction of the Boston & Maine Railroad; thence southerly on the Boston & Maine Railroad to the southerly line of the Helen Merriman estate; thence on said southerly line westerly to Saco river; thence southerly on Saco river to the southerly line of G. H. and J. Z. Shedd intervale land; thence on said line to south-westerly corner of Louisa Jones land; thence easterly on southerly line of said Jones land across the Boston & Maine Railroad and the state highway to point begun at.

Powers of precinct.

SECT. 2. The inhabitants of the above described territory are hereby made a body politic and corporate under the name of the North Conway Village Improvement Precinct, for the purpose of lighting and sprinkling the streets and highways within said ter-ritory or its more thickly settled portions; and in relation to such lighting and sprinkling, said precinct shall have all the powers and privileges with which towns, or village districts organized under chapter 53 of the Public Statutes, or amendments thereof, now are or hereafter may be invested in relation to like objects. At its first meeting, any subsequent annual meetings, or any special meeting called for the purpose, by majority vote of the legal voters present and voting at such meeting, said precinct may contract or authorize its commissioners to contract with individuals and corporations for lighting any of the streets and highways

within said territory by electricity or otherwise, for sprinkling the streets and highways aforesaid with water, oil, or other preparations and removing waste matter from said streets and highways, and may raise and appropriate, or authorize its commissioners to borrow and hire on the credit of the precinct, such sums of money as may from time to time be deemed necessary or advisable for carrying out the provisions of such contracts or otherwise effectuating the purposes of this act.

SECT. 3. The officers of said precinct shall consist of a Officers, how chosen. moderator, a clerk, a treasurer, three commissioners, and such other officers and agents as the voters thereof may deem necessary for managing the precinct's affairs. Said moderator, clerk, treasurer, and commissioners shall be elected by ballot, by majority vote of the legal voters present and voting, at the first and each subsequent annual meeting of the precinct; shall hold office until the next annual meeting and until their successors are chosen or appointed or qualified, and shall respectfully possess and perform the same powers and duties in respect to the precinct's meetings and business affairs that corresponding officers of village districts organized under chapter 53 of the Public Statutes possess and perform in respect to like matters. Said commissioners shall fill any vacancies that arise in their own body or in any other precinct office in the manner provided in section 7 of said chapter, shall execute upon behalf of the precinct all contracts or notes authorized by it, shall have supervision of the carrying out of all votes adopted by the precinct with reference to street lighting, sprinkling, and improvement as aforesaid, and may exercise any other power possessed by the precinct which may be conferred upon them by majority vote of the legal voters present and voting at a precinct meeting, except the raising and appropriation of money.

SECT. 4. All votes to raise money shall be certified by the clerk Taxes, how assessed. of said precinct to the assessors of the town of Conway, the sums so voted shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as other taxes in said town, and aggrieved parties shall have the same remedies as in the cases of such other taxes. At each annual meeting of the precinct, said commissioners shall render to the voters thereof an account of their doings and of the receipts and expenditures of the precinct for the year preceding.

SECT. 5. James L. Gibson, Andrew D. Davis, and William R. First meeting. Carter, or either of them, may call the first meeting of legal voters of said precinct in the same manner that town meetings are called by the selectmen. Said first meeting shall be held as soon as may be after the passage of this act, and the subsequent annual meet-

ings of the precinct, beginning with the year 1916, shall be holden in the month of March in each year.

Takes effect,
when.

SECT. 6. So much of this act as provides for the calling and the holding of the first meeting of said precinct shall take effect upon the passage hereof; and the first business transacted at such meeting shall be the choice of a moderator and clerk *pro tempore* and the taking of a vote upon the adoption of this act. If the same is adopted by a majority vote of the legal voters present and voting at such meeting, the remainder of this act shall take effect immediately upon such adoption, and said meeting may thereupon proceed to elect permanent officers and transact any other business herein authorized. If not so adopted, this act shall be void.

[Approved April 8, 1915.]

CHAPTER 312.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BERLIN.

SECTION

1. Compensation of councilmen.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Compensation of
councilmen.

SECTION 1. Amend section 1 of chapter 320, Laws of 1909, by striking out all of the last sentence of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: Said council shall receive a fee of two dollars each for actual attendance at all regular, special, or adjourned meetings, *provided, however*, that the total sum to be paid to each councilman for attendance at all meetings shall not exceed seventy-five dollars per annum; and in addition thereto an annual salary of fifty dollars shall be paid to each member of the committee on public works, and an annual salary of twenty-five dollars shall be paid to each member of the committee on accounts and claims.

Takes effect on
passage.

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

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 313.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 312, LAWS OF 1911, ENTITLED
"AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE WALPOLE & ALSTEAD STREET RAIL-
WAY COMPANY."

SECTION

1. Time for building extended.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. The time fixed in the charter of the Walpole & Alstead Street Railway Company, approved March 30, 1911, for the completion of its road is hereby extended to the thirtieth day of March, 1917. Time for building extended.

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

Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 314.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 215, LAWS OF 1891, ENTITLED
"AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANCHESTER SAFETY DEPOSIT AND
TRUST COMPANY."

SECTION 1. Charter amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 215, Laws of 1891, is hereby amended by inserting after the words "for safe-keeping," in the third line of said section, the following words: all funds being subject to check, except in its savings department; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. Said corporation is authorized and empowered to receive on deposit money, bonds, securities, and other personal property of every kind for safe-keeping, all funds being subject to check, except in its savings department, to collect and disburse the income and principal of said property when due, to advance and loan money or credits on personal or real securities, and to sell and dispose of the securities held by it; to act as trustee and mortgagee, or otherwise, or as receiver or agent for any person, firm, or corporation, public or Charter amended.

private; to issue, register, and countersign certificates of stock, bonds, or other evidences of indebtedness, and to receive and make payments on account of the same.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 315.

AN ACT LEGALIZING THE TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BRADFORD,
HELD MARCH 9, 1915.

SECTION

1. Meeting legalized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

Meeting legalized.

SECTION 1. That the town meeting of the town of Bradford, held on the ninth day of March, 1915, is hereby legalized.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 316.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF CARROLL,
HELD MARCH 9, 1915, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION

1. Proceedings legalized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

Proceedings legalized.

SECTION 1. The action of the town of Carroll at the town meeting held March 9, 1915, is hereby legalized, and the selectmen of said town are hereby authorized to expend the money raised for the water-works by said town and to construct the water-works system provided for in a bill approved February 25, 1915, entitled "An act to establish water-works in the town of Carroll."

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 317.

AN ACT LEGALIZING THE TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, HELD MARCH 9, 1915.

SECTION

1. Proceedings legalized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. All the proceedings at the town meeting of the town of North Hampton, held on the ninth day of March, 1915, are hereby legalized and confirmed. Proceedings legalized.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 14, 1915.]

CHAPTER 318.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 269, LAWS OF 1891, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 162, LAWS OF 1893, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GOFFSTOWN FIRE PRECINCT TO ESTABLISH WATER-WORKS."

SECTION

1. Debt limit increased.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Amend section 2, chapter 162, Laws of 1893, by striking out the word "fifty" in the last line of said section and inserting in the place thereof the word seventy, so that section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. Section 6 of the act to which this is an addition shall be construed to apply to past expenditures for the water-works and to any future enlargement or improvement of the same, and to authorize said precinct to borrow money, issue its bonds, and appropriate taxes as therein set forth for the purpose of paying the debts already incurred, and of making such enlargements and improvements as is above authorized, and of maintaining and operating the said works, the total indebtedness not to exceed at any one time seventy thousand dollars. Debt limit increased.

SECT. 3 [2]. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Takes effect on passage.

[Approved April 15, 1915.]

CHAPTER 319.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY OF NASHUA.

SECTION

1. City may construct or repair.
2. Assessment of cost to abutters.
3. Maintenance.

SECTION

4. Meaning of terms.
5. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

City may construct or repair.

SECTION 1. The board of public works for the city of Nashua, whenever in their judgment the public good requires, shall lay out and construct sidewalks, or repair sidewalks already constructed, about any city square in the thickly settled part of the city of Nashua. Such sidewalks shall be of uniform width on the same street and, as far as possible, of uniform material.

Assessment of abutters.

SECT. 2. The cost of such construction or repair may be assessed upon the abutters on such sidewalks in just proportions, not exceeding one half the expense of the same, and all assessments so made shall constitute a lien upon the abutting premises and be collected in the same manner as taxes on real estate; and such sidewalks shall afterwards be maintained at the expense of the city.

Maintenance.

SECT. 3. After such sidewalks are so constructed or repaired, they shall be maintained by the city under the supervision of the board of public works, who may give such instructions to the city engineer as they deem necessary for this purpose.

Meaning of terms.

SECT. 4. A "city square" for the purposes of this act shall be of at least one acre in extent and bounded on at least three sides by public ways. "Thickly settled part of the city" shall mean the territory contiguous to any way which is built up with structures devoted to business, or where the dwelling-houses are situated at such distances as will average less than one hundred feet between such dwelling-houses for a distance of a quarter of a mile or more upon one side of a street.

Takes effect on passage.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 320.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 5, CHAPTER 183, LAWS OF 1893,
RELATING TO THE MANCHESTER WATER-WORKS.

SECTION

1. Annual payment for fire hydrants.

SECTION

2. Takes effect January 1, 1916; re-
pealing clause.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. Section 5 of chapter 183, Laws of 1893, is hereby amended by striking out from said section the words "twenty-five dollars for each fire hydrant" and inserting in place thereof the following words: twenty thousand dollars in full for all fire hydrants; so that said section 5 shall read as follows: SECT. 5. The sums paid by the city for water, for fire and other purposes, shall be charged to the proper appropriation and credited to the water-works; and the said city shall annually pay the sum of twenty thousand dollars in full for all fire hydrants which it maintains, and this sum shall be credited to the water-works; and the money so credited annually shall be held inviolate as a sinking-fund for the liquidation of the water-loan bonds from time to time, under such regulations as the board of water commissioners and the city council shall deem to be for the interest of the city.

Annual payment
for fire hydrants.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 1916, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Takes effect Jan-
uary 1, 1916;
repealing clause.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 321.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE DAMON LODGE NO. 9, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,
OF PORTSMOUTH, N. H.

SECTION

1. Corporation constituted.
2. Payment of benefits.
3. Right to hold property.

SECTION

4. First meeting.
5. Subject to repeal.
6. Takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:*

SECTION 1. That John H. Bartlett, Ernest L. Guptill, John G. Yarwood, Chauncey B. Hoyt, Fred C. Horner, Frank W. Knight, Lewis E. Pendleton, George H. Sanderson, William Warburton,

Corporation con-
stituted.

John S. Carll, Harrie H. Foote, and Harry H. Woods, their associate members of said lodge and their successors, be and hereby are made a body politic, incorporate by the name of Damon Lodge No. 9, Knights of Pythias, of Portsmouth, N. H., for charitable and benevolent purposes, and by that name may sue, be sued, prosecute and defend all actions to final judgment and execution, and shall be and hereby are made subject to all liabilities of corporations of a similar nature.

Payment of
benefits.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may enact by-laws providing for the payment of weekly benefits to those of its members who may become sick and for payment of funeral expenses of those who may die, and may also make such other by-laws and regulations as they are authorized to make by the supreme lodge of the order, not inconsistent with the laws of this state.

Right to hold
property.

SECT. 3. Said corporation shall have power to hold real and personal estate by purchase, gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise, to the amount of not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, and may dispose of the same at pleasure.

First meeting.

SECT. 4. The dictator of the lodge may call the first meeting of this corporation at such time and place and in such manner as he may think proper, at which time the necessary and usual officers may be chosen.

Subject to repeal.

SECT. 5. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever the public good may require it.

Takes effect on
passage.

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

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 322.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 265, LAWS OF 1911, ENTITLED "AN ACT RELATING TO A SPRINKLING DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF ROCHESTER."

SECTION

1. Sprinkling contracts authorized.

SECTION

2. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Sprinkling con-
tracts authorized.

SECTION 1. Amend section 1, chapter 265, Laws of 1911, by inserting after the word "water" in the eighth line of said section, the words, oil, or such other substances, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. The city council of said city of Rochester are hereby fully empowered and authorized

by ordinance to establish from time to time within the limits of said city such number of precincts as they shall deem necessary for the public convenience and to fix the boundaries thereof, and the same to enlarge, modify, and alter as the public interests may require, and within any precincts so established the mayor and city council of said city may cause the streets to be sprinkled with water, oil, or such other substances as they may deem necessary for the public convenience or to preserve the health of the inhabitants of said city, and the expense of so sprinkling said streets shall be derived from a tax upon the polls, personal, and real estate situate within said precinct, to be assessed and collected in the same way and manner as is now by law provided for assessing and collecting taxes within said city.

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

Takes effect on
passage.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 323.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 254, LAWS OF 1891, IN RELATION TO THE NAME OF THE AMOSKEAG SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANY.

SECTION 1. Name changed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. That the words "Safe Deposit and" in the seventh and eighth lines of section 1 of chapter 254, Laws of 1891, be stricken out, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: Name changed.

SECTION 1. George B. Chandler, Herman F. Straw, E. M. Topliff, Edward M. Slayton, John B. Varick, Henry Chandler, David B. Varney, Abraham P. Olzendam, Benjamin C. Dean, Lucien B. Clough, George W. Riddle, Henry C. Merrill, Allen N. Clapp, Thomas R. Varick, and John M. Chandler, their successors, assigns, and associates, are created and made a body corporate and politic by the name of the Amoskeag Trust Company, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities and duties incident to corporations of a similar nature.

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 324.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CONCORD & MONTREAL RAILROAD TO UNITE WITH OTHER NEW HAMPSHIRE RAILROADS AND TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN LEASES AND CONTRACTS.

SECTION

1. New corporation authorized.
2. Approval of shareholders; capital stock.
3. Dissenting shareholders.
4. Union with other railroads.
5. Leases and contracts authorized.

SECTION

6. Approval by public service commission.
7. No charter fee required.
8. Repair shops in this state.
9. Takes effect on passage; subject to repeal.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

New corporation authorized.

SECTION 1. Whenever the Concord & Montreal Railroad and the Northern Railroad come into possession of their respective properties by the termination of the leases now existing, they shall be and hereby are authorized to unite and form a new corporation, to be known as the New Hampshire Railroad.

Approval of shareholders; capital stock.

SECT. 2. No such union shall take place until approved by vote of two thirds in interest of the stockholders of each of the contracting corporations, who are represented and voting at meetings called for that purpose. The capital stock of the New Hampshire Railroad shall not exceed the combined capital stock of the corporations combined, and may be divided into classes with fixed terms for dividends and as to liquidation, but whether or not so classified the dividends shall not exceed the dividends now paid on the present capital. Additional capital may be issued at not less than par to provide for necessary additions, improvements, or equipment, when approved by the public service commission. The new corporation shall succeed to and become the owner of all the property, rights, and franchises and shall assume and be liable for all the debts of the two contracting corporations. Until a new board of directors is chosen and new by-laws adopted, the existing directors of the two contracting corporations shall be the directors of the new corporation and shall manage its affairs by agents and officers appointed by them.

Dissenting shareholders.

SECT. 3. The rights of any stockholder of either existing corporation not assenting to the union shall be regulated and determined as is provided in sections 28 to 37, of chapter 156, of the Public Statutes, both inclusive.

Union with other railroads.

SECT. 4. Said New Hampshire Railroad may unite with any railroad corporation in New Hampshire now operated by the Boston & Maine Railroad under lease or contract, and also with

the Boston & Lowell Railroad corporation and the Nashua & Lowell Railroad corporation, or either of them, and including any of their leased lines, in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as are hereinbefore provided for in the union of the Concord & Montreal Railroad and the Northern Railroad.

SECT. 5. Said New Hampshire Railroad is also authorized to acquire by lease or operating contract the Manchester & Lawrence Railroad, the Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation, the Nashua & Lowell Railroad corporation, and any other railroads now operated by the Boston & Maine Railroad under lease or contract in the valleys of the Merrimack, Connecticut, and Passumpsic rivers, by a vote of two thirds in interest of the stockholders of each of the contracting corporations represented and voting at any meeting called for that purpose; and the rights of any stockholder of either corporation not assenting to such lease shall be regulated and determined as is provided in sections 28 to 37, of chapter 156, of the Public Statutes, both inclusive. The terms of such leases shall not increase the rentals or dividends now paid on any lines so acquired; except that in the case of the Suncook Valley Railroad, the lease to the Concord Railroad and the Manchester & Lawrence Railroad, executed March 11, 1870, shall, for the purpose of limiting said rentals or dividends, be considered as if still unexpired. Said New Hampshire Railroad is also authorized to contract for the operation and maintenance of its properties with any other railroad corporation with which it or any of the lines above enumerated may have connection; *provided, however*, that no such contract shall be valid until approved by the public service commission as being consistent with the public interest. Nothing in this act shall be construed as extending the right of consolidation of the New Hampshire Railroad with any railroad with which it has connection, except as herein specifically provided. Neither shall said New Hampshire Railroad be leased to the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad or operated by the same.

SECT. 6. No union, lease, or contract herein authorized shall become effectual until the public service commission, upon petition and such notice and hearing as it may order, shall determine that the same has been made in accordance with the provisions of this act and is consistent with the public interest. No stock shall be issued by said New Hampshire Railroad until the public service commission, upon like petition, notice and hearing, shall have determined that the proposed issue is within the limits fixed by this act. In determining the aggregate par value of stock and bonds which may be issued hereunder, stock held as a treasury asset by any of the corporations combined shall be excluded; *provided, however*, that if the same shall not be represented or

Leases and contracts authorized.

Approval by public service commission.

offset by stock outstanding, or by existing indebtedness, the public service commission may include all or a part thereof, if it shall find such inclusion to be consistent with the public interest.

No charter fee.

SECT. 7. No charter fee shall be required with respect to this act.

Repair shops in this state.

SECT. 8. It shall be a condition to the exercise of the rights, privileges, and franchises granted herein, that the repair and construction shops within this state of any railroad united, leased, or operated under or by virtue of this act shall not be discontinued, and that a proportionate part of the repair and construction work of any system of railroads existing under or by virtue of this act shall be done within this state, such proportionate part to be based upon the relation between locomotive and car miles operated within this state and upon the system as a whole.

Takes effect on passage; subject to repeal.

SECT. 9. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and may be repealed, altered, or amended.

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CHAPTER 325.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE LAYING OUT OF HIGHWAYS IN THE CITY OF LACONIA.

SECTION

1. Plan of proposed lots to be filed.
2. Lay-out of proposed highways.

SECTION

3. Right of appeal.
4. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Plan of proposed lots to be filed.

SECTION 1. Any person, firm, or corporation proposing to cut up into lots any tract of land in the city of Laconia for the purpose of selling the same, either publicly or privately, shall before such sale prepare and submit a plan of said tract of land to the city engineer of the city of Laconia. Such plan shall plainly show the number, size, and location of lots, the location and width of all proposed highways, and the location of the tract of land with reference to an existing public highway. The location of said tract of land shall also be plainly marked on the ground by suitable stakes. If the plan shall meet with the approval of the said city engineer, it shall be his duty to plainly mark the plan "Approved," so that intending purchasers of lots shall have knowledge of the said approval. In case the city engineer shall disapprove of the proposed plan, he shall mark said plan "Disapproved" and file

a statement of the reasons of such disapproval with the city clerk for the use of the board of mayor and city councils of the said city, and shall transmit a like statement to the owner of the land. In such case the owner shall submit a new plan in accordance with the requirements of the city engineer, as thus set forth, which he shall mark "Approved" as hereinbefore provided.

SECT. 2. No such highway shall be laid out by the board of mayor and city councils of the said city of Laconia until such plan has been submitted to said city engineer and approved by him as provided in section 1; but it shall not be obligatory upon the said board of mayor and city councils to lay out any proposed highway because of the approval of any such plan by the said city engineer.

SECT. 3. In case the board of mayor and city councils refuse to accept and lay out any such highway, appeal may be taken to the superior court in the same manner as is now provided by law in the laying out of highways.

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

Takes effect on passage.

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CHAPTER 326.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE LAYING OUT OF HIGHWAYS IN THE CITY OF MANCHESTER.

SECTION

1. Plan of proposed lots to be filed.
2. Lay-out of proposed highways.

SECTION

3. Right of appeal.
4. Takes effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. Any person, firm, or corporation proposing to cut up into lots any tract of land in the city of Manchester, for the purpose of selling the same either publicly or privately, shall before such sale prepare and submit a plan of said tract of land to the city engineer of the city of Manchester, or such other officer as may hereafter be designated to perform his duties. Such plan shall plainly show the number, size, and location of the lots, the location and width of all proposed highways, and the location of the tract of land with reference to an existing highway. The location of said tract of land shall also be plainly marked on the ground by suitable stakes. If the plan shall meet with the approval of such officer, it shall be his duty to plainly mark the plan "Approved," so that intending purchasers of lots shall have

knowledge of said approval. In case such officer shall disapprove of the proposed plan, he shall mark said plan "Disapproved" and shall within ten days after said plan is submitted file a statement of the reasons of such disapproval with the city clerk for the use of the board of mayor and aldermen of said city, and shall transmit a like statement to the owner of the land and shall inform the owner what his requirements will be as to the location and width of highways. In such case the owner shall submit a new plan in accordance with the requirements of such officer, as thus set forth, which said officer shall mark "Approved" as hereinbefore provided.

Lay-out of proposed highways.

SECT. 2. No such highway shall be laid out by the board of mayor and aldermen of said city of Manchester until such plan has been submitted to such officer and approved by him as provided in section 1; but it shall not be obligatory upon said board of mayor and aldermen to lay out any proposed highway because of the approval of any such plan by such officer.

Right of appeal.

SECT. 3. In case the board of mayor and aldermen refuse to accept and lay out any such highway, appeal may be taken to the superior court in the same manner as is now provided by law in the laying out of highways.

Takes effect on passage.

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

[Approved April 21, 1915.]

CHAPTER 327.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE CITY OF MANCHESTER, ESTABLISHING A BOARD OF REGISTRARS FOR SAID CITY.

SECTION

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The mayor, with the approval of the aldermen, shall appoint three citizens of Manchester, who shall have been residents therein at least five years immediately preceding the date of their appointment, who shall constitute a board of registrars of voters for said city. The registrars shall be appointed in April, 1915, for terms respectively of one, two, and three years, beginning with the first day of May next ensuing. In April in every year thereafter one registrar shall be appointed for the term of three years beginning with the first day of May next ensuing. The board of registrars so constituted shall annually in May, before transacting any other business, elect one of its members as clerk, who shall perform all the duties required by said board. Registrars, appointment of

SECT. 2. In the original and in each succeeding appointment and in the filling of vacancies, registrars of voters shall be so appointed that the members of the board shall, as equally as may be, represent the two leading political parties at the preceding state election, and in no case shall an appointment be so made as to cause a board to consist of more than two members who are of the same political party. Political division.

SECT. 3. If upon written complaint to the mayor it shall appear, after notice and hearing, that a registrar of voters has ceased to act with the political party which he was appointed to represent, the mayor shall remove him from office and appoint another in his stead, with the approval of the board of aldermen. Removal for political change.

SECT. 4. If a member of the board of registrars shall be disabled by illness or other cause from performing the duties of his office, or shall at the time of any meeting of said board be absent from the city, the mayor may, upon request in writing of a majority of the remaining members of the board, appoint in writing some person to fill such temporary vacancy, who shall be of the same political party as the member whose position he is appointed to fill. Such temporary registrar shall perform the duties and be subject to the requirements and penalties provided by law for a registrar. Temporary vacancy.

SECT. 5. The registrars shall, before entering upon their official duties, take and subscribe an oath faithfully to perform the same. They shall receive such compensation for their services as the board of mayor and aldermen may determine; but such compensation shall not be regulated by the number of names registered by them. The board of mayor and aldermen shall provide office room for the registrars, and such aid as they may need. The clerk of the board of registrars shall keep a full and accurate record of Qualification, compensation, etc.

its proceedings and shall cause such notices as the registrars may require to be properly served or posted.

Tenure of office.

SECT. 6. Each registrar shall, unless sooner removed, hold office for the term for which he is appointed and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

Certain persons ineligible.

SECT. 7. No person shall be appointed a registrar who is not a voter of the city for which he is appointed, or who holds an office by election or appointment under the government of the United States or of the state, except as a justice of the peace, notary public, or an officer of the state militia, or who holds any office in the city, either by election by the people or any city council or board or commission, or by direct appointment of the mayor. The acceptance by a registrar of an office which he is prohibited from holding shall vacate his office as registrar.

Sessions, when to be held.

SECT. 8. The registrars shall hold such day and evening sessions as the city by an ordinance may prescribe and such other sessions as they deem necessary. They shall hold at least one session at some suitable and convenient place on or before the Saturday last preceding the first caucus or primary preceding the state and city election, and a similar session on the Saturday last preceding the municipal and the several ward caucuses, to give an opportunity to qualified voters to register; and only those voters who have registered by ten o'clock in the evening of said Saturday last preceding said caucus and said primaries shall be eligible to take part therein. They shall hold a like continuous session from twelve o'clock noon until ten o'clock in the evening on the thirtieth day preceding the state and city election.

Registration, close of.

SECT. 9. Registration shall cease at ten o'clock in the evening on the thirtieth day preceding the state and city election.

For special election.

SECT. 10. The registrars shall, in some suitable place, hold a continuous session from twelve o'clock noon until ten o'clock in the evening, on the fourth day preceding a special election. Registration shall cease at ten o'clock in the evening of the day on which such session is held.

If final day Sunday, etc.

SECT. 11. If the final day for registration of voters falls on Sunday or on a holiday, the day preceding such Sunday or holiday shall be the final day for such registration.

One registrar may act, when.

SECT. 12. Any registrar may, at a place appointed for registration, on the days and during the hours designated for the purpose, receive applications for registration and examine applicants and witnesses under oath; but all doings of one registrar shall be subject to the revision and acceptance of the board.

Entries after time limited.

SECT. 13. The registrars shall not, after ten o'clock in the evening of a day on which registration is to cease, register any person as a voter until after the next election; but they may enter or

correct upon the registers the names of persons whose qualifications as voters have been examined between the preceding thirtieth day of April and the close of registration. They shall in every case require the vote by virtue of which such entry or correction is made to be attested by their clerk.

SECT. 14. They shall post or publish notices stating the places Notice of sessions. and hours for holding all sessions, the final sessions preceding any election, and that after ten o'clock in the evening of the last day fixed for registration they will not, until after election, add any name to the registers except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding thirtieth day of April and the close of registration.

SECT. 15. They shall keep in general registers records of all Records of voters. persons registered as qualified to vote in the city. They shall enter therein the name of every such voter written in full, or instead thereof the surname and the first Christian name, or that name by which he is generally known, written in full, and the initial of every other name which he may have, and also his age, place of birth, residence on the preceding first day of May, or at the time of becoming an inhabitant of the city after said day, the date of his registration and his residence at such date, his occupation and the place thereof, the name and location of the court which has issued to him letters of naturalization and the date thereof, if he is a naturalized citizen, and any other particulars necessary fully to identify him.

SECT. 16. The registrars shall, after the first day of May, pre- Annual register. pare an annual register containing the names of all qualified voters in the city for the current year, beginning with such first day of May. Such names shall be arranged in alphabetical order, and, opposite to the name of each voter, his residence on the preceding first day of May or on any subsequent day when he became an inhabitant of the city. The assessors shall transmit to the registrars annually a list of persons assessed for a poll tax for the current year, giving as the residence of each person on the first day of May the place at which he was assessed a poll tax, and the registrars shall enter every such name in the annual register; *provided*, that in every case they are able to identify the name so transmitted to them as that of a person whose name was borne on the voting list of such city at the last preceding election. They shall make all inquiries and investigations necessary to identify such person, and they shall not enter in the annual register the name of a person objected to by any registrar until such person has been duly notified and given an opportunity to be heard by them. They shall forthwith enter in the annual register the name of every person whose qualifications as a voter have been de-

terminated by them in the current year and whose name has accordingly been entered in the general register.

Application for registration.

SECT. 17. Every person whose name has not been entered in the annual register in accordance with the preceding section must, in order to be registered as a voter, apply in person for registration and prove that he is qualified to register.

If applicant naturalized.

SECT. 18. If an applicant for registration is a naturalized citizen, the registrars shall require him to produce for inspection his papers of naturalization and to make oath that he is the identical person named therein, and shall, if satisfied that the applicant has been legally naturalized, make upon his papers a memorandum of the date of such inspection. If papers of naturalization have been once examined and record thereof made in the general register, the registrars need not again require their production. Any person who attempts fraudulently to have his name entered on the general register shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each such attempt.

Applicant registered, when.

SECT. 19. If upon examination the registrars are satisfied that an applicant for registration has all the qualifications of a voter except that of age, and that he will on or before the day of the next election attain full age, they shall place his name upon the registers.

If registration refused.

SECT. 20. If the registrars decline to register the name of a person examined for registration and reported to them by a registrar, they shall notify him of their refusal and give him a reasonable opportunity to be heard by them upon his application. They shall upon the rejection of an applicant forthwith inform him of such rejection.

Revision and correction of register.

SECT. 21. The registrars shall from time to time revise and correct the general register and the current annual register in accordance with any facts which may be presented to them. After the name of a voter has been placed upon the current annual register, they shall not change the place of residence as given thereon, nor, unless the voter has deceased, strike such name therefrom, until they have sent him a notice of their intention so to do and that he may be heard on a certain day named therein.

Illegal registration, complaint of; procedure.

SECT. 22. If a registered voter complains to the registrars in writing under oath, fourteen days at least before an election, that the complainant has reason to believe and does believe that a certain person by him named therein has been illegally or incorrectly registered, and sets forth the reasons for such belief, the registrars shall examine into such complaint, and if satisfied that there is sufficient ground therefor, they shall summon the person complained of to appear before them at a certain place and time before the next election to answer to the matters set forth in

the complaint, and the substance of the complaint and a copy of this and the following section shall be set forth in the summons. Service of the summons shall be made by an officer qualified to serve civil or criminal process, not more than fourteen nor less than two days before the day named for appearance, by delivering in hand a copy of the summons to the person therein summoned, or by leaving it at the place of alleged illegal registration if no later residence of such person appears on the register, and in that event at such later residence if the officer finds that such person resides at such place or later residence, as the case may be, or if he was formerly there and has changed his residence, then by leaving at the place to which he has moved, if it is within the officer's jurisdiction; but if the officer cannot make personal service and cannot ascertain the residence of the person complained of, the copy of the summons shall be left at such person's last residence, if any, known to the officer within his jurisdiction; and the officer shall return the summons to the registrars before the day named for appearance, with the certificate of his doings indorsed thereon.

SECT. 23. If a person summoned before the registrars to answer to such complaint appears before them, they shall examine him under oath and shall receive other evidence which may be offered in regard to the matters set forth in the complaint; and if satisfied that he is properly registered as a qualified voter, they shall enter in the register a statement of their determination upon the facts required for registration. If the registrars are satisfied that he is not a qualified voter in the city, they shall strike his name from the register. If a person duly summoned as aforesaid does not appear as directed in the summons, the complainant shall produce sufficient testimony to make out a *prima facie* case, and if this is done the name of the person complained of shall be stricken from the register; but if such person appears before the registrars before the election next ensuing and shows sufficient cause for his failure earlier to appear, the hearing shall be reopened and the matter decided on its merits, as determined from the evidence presented on both sides. The complainant and the person complained of may be represented by counsel, and the witnesses may be cross-examined.

Hearing upon complaint.

SECT. 24. The registrars shall perform their duties in open session and not secretly. They shall distinctly announce the name of every applicant for registration before entering his name on the general register. Their records shall be at suitable times open to public inspection.

Sessions to be open, etc.

SECT. 25. Registrars shall, from the names entered in the annual register of voters, prepare voting lists for use at the several

Voting lists.

elections held therein. In such voting lists they shall place the names of all voters entered on the annual register and no others, and opposite to the name of each, his residence of the preceding first day of May, or at the time of his becoming an inhabitant of such place after said day. They shall prepare such voting lists by wards.

Posting of lists.

SECT. 26. They shall at least fourteen days before the city and state election cause copies of the voting lists prepared in accordance with the preceding section to be posted in their principal office and in one or more public places in each of the several wards of the city.

Addition of new names.

SECT. 27. After the voting lists have been posted, registrars shall, within forty-eight hours after a new name has been added to the annual register, cause it to be added to the lists posted in their principal office. If the city shall authorize the registrars to publish the names added to the register, they may, instead of posting them, cause all additional names to be printed in a newspaper published in the city.

Accidental omissions.

SECT. 28. Registrars shall, on the day of an election, give to a voter whose name has been omitted from the voting list, if it appears in the annual register, or in whose name or residence, as placed on the voting list, a clerical error has been made, a certificate of his name and residence, as stated on the annual register, signed by the registrars or a majority of them. On presentation thereof to the presiding election officer of the ward in which the voter was registered, he shall be allowed to vote, and his name shall be checked on the certificate, which shall be attached to and considered a part of the voting list and returned and preserved therewith.

Lists for election officers.

SECT. 29. They shall, before every election, caucus, primary, and meeting at which voting lists may be required to be used, prepare voting lists for each ward in which such election or meeting is to be held, containing the names and residences of all persons qualified to vote therein, as the same appear upon the annual register, and they shall seasonably transmit the same to the election officers in every ward. Such voting lists shall be in duplicate for all elections and meetings at which duplicate lists are required to be used.

Certificate to city clerk.

SECT. 30. The registrars shall, after the last day for registration for a city or state election, certify to the city clerk the number of registered voters in the city and in each ward therein.

List for use at caucus.

SECT. 31. When a caucus is called the registrars shall, on request of the chairman of the ward committee of the party whose caucus is to be held, or of the person designated to call the caucus to order, furnish him for use in the caucus a certified copy of the

voting list of the ward of the city for which the caucus is to be held, as last published, adding thereto the names of voters registered since such publication.

SECT. 32. To comply with the requirements of the direct pri-Party enrollments.
mary law, party enrollments at the primary of 1914 shall be considered to be the basis for party enrollment for the primary of 1916.

SECT. 33. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the pro-Repealing clause;
visions of this act are hereby repealed and this act shall take act takes effect on
effect upon its passage. passage.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

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Secretary of State.

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