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CHAPTER 1.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE EXAMINATION OF VOTES LODGED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER FIFTY-SEVEN OF THE LAWS PASSED AT THE JUNE SESSION, 1879.

Sect. 1. The secretary of state, upon the order in writing of the supreme court or any justice thereof, the chairman of the committee of elections of the senate or house of representatives, or other proper authority, shall produce before said court, committee, or authority, such package or packages of votes as may be in his custody pursuant to the provisions of chapter fifty-seven, section forty, of the laws passed at the June session, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, as may be specified in said order, and, in the presence of said court, committee, or authority, may open the same and permit said votes to be examined. Upon the conclusion of such examination, the secretary of state shall replace said votes in the original package, and enclose the same in another package to be by him sealed, upon which said secretary shall certify in writing when, where, and upon what order said original package was opened and examined, and thereafter lodge the same in his office for safe-keeping.

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

[Approved June 14, 1881.]
CHAPTER 2.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION SEVEN OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN RELATION TO THE TIMES AND PLACES OF HOLDING PROBATE COURTS.

SeCT. 1. Terms of probate court in Cheshire county changed.

SeCT. 2. Takes effect—when: petitions, etc., heretofore issued—when returnable.

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

SeCT. 1. That section seven of said chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the General Laws, in relation to the times and places of holding probate courts for the county of Cheshire, be amended by striking out the words “of each month,” and inserting instead thereof the following words: of January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October, November, and December, on the first Friday of July and on the third Friday of August.

SeCT. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage; and all petitions and processes of said probate court for the county of Cheshire, heretofore issued and made returnable before said court on the third Friday of July or on the first Friday of August, 1881, are hereby made returnable before said court on the third Friday of August, 1881.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]

CHAPTER 3.

AN ACT TO AID SHIPBUILDING.

SeCT. 1. Materials used in construction of ships may be exempted from taxation.

SeCT. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SeCT. 1. Any town in this state may by vote authorize its proper officers to make contracts with individuals to exempt from taxation for a term not exceeding ten years all materials of wood, copper, iron, and steel used in the construction and building of ships and vessels in such town, also the ships and vessels constructed therefrom while in the process of construction.

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

[Approved July 7, 1881.]
CHAPTER 4.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE ANNUAL MARCH MEETING, MARCH, 1881, IN WENTWORTH'S LOCATION.


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

Sect. 1. That the annual March meeting, March, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, in Wentworth's Location, and all the proceedings thereof, be and hereby are legalized.

Sect. 2. That this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved July 8, 1881.]

CHAPTER 5.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION EIGHT, CHAPTER TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO THE JURISDICTION OF POLICE COURTS.

Sect. 1. Jurisdiction of police courts enlarged.

Sect. 2. Repealing clause.

Sect. 3. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Police courts may render final judgment and sentence in any criminal case where the fine does not exceed two hundred dollars and the term of imprisonment does not exceed six months, if the accused plead guilty, or nolo contendere.

Sect. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

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

[Approved July 21, 1881.]
CHAPTER 6.

AN ACT FOR THE ABATEMENT OF THE STATE TAX ON BEAN’S PURCHASE.

Sect. 1. Partial abatement of state and county taxes.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when; repealing clause.

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

Sect. 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to abate from the state tax for 1880, to be paid by Bean’s Purchase in the county of Coös, twelve cents for every one thousand dollars of the entire state tax, and to make the same proportional abatement annually thereafter, of the state tax to be paid by said Bean’s Purchase during the period of apportionment fixed by the act of July 18, 1879, entitled “An act to establish a new apportionment of public taxes.” And the treasurer of the county of Coös is also hereby authorized and required to make a proportional annual abatement from the amount of county tax to be paid by said Bean’s Purchase in 1880, and subsequently until a new proportion for the assessment of public taxes shall be made.

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

[Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 7.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Sect.

1. Repealing clause.

2. Individual loans limited.

Sect.

3. Takes effect—when.

4. Repealing clause.

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

Sect. 1. That sections eighteen and nineteen of the said chapter be and hereby are repealed.

Sect. 2. No savings bank shall loan to any person, corporation, firm and its individual members, an amount in excess of ten per cent. of the deposits and accumulations of such savings bank; nor purchase or hold, both by way of investment and as security for loans, the stock and bonds of any corporation to an amount in excess of such ten per cent.

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

Sect. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are repealed.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]
CHAPTER 8.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER TWELVE OF THE LAWS OF 1879, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE BETTER PROTECTION OF DESTITUTE AND ABUSED CHILDREN."

Sect. 1. Habitual cruelty to minor child—how punished.  
Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Any parent or other person having custody of a minor child under the age of fourteen years, who entirely and cruelly abandons, or treats with gross and habitual cruelty, or neglects in such manner as to amount to cruelty, any such child, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding three years, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by both.

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

[Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 9.

AN ACT REPEALING AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TAXING OR LICENSING EXPRESS COMPANIES AND EXPRESSMEN."

Sect. 1. Law authorizing taxation of express companies repealed.  
Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That chapter sixty-three of the General Laws, relative to the taxation of express companies and expressmen, is hereby repealed.

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

[Approved July 22, 1881.]
CHAPTER 10.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE OF THE GENERAL LAWS RELATING TO TRESPASSES, MALICIOUS INJURIES AND CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

SECT. 1. Arrest without warrant—when authorized.
2. Abandoned animals may be destroyed—when.
3. Arrests may be made—by whom.
4. Fine may be imposed—when.
5. Takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. Any person carrying, or causing to be carried, in or upon any vehicle, or otherwise, any creature in a cruel or inhuman manner, contrary to the provisions of section twenty-seven of chapter two hundred and eighty-one of the General Laws, may be taken into custody therefor upon a view of said offence, without warrant, by any officer or other person authorized to make arrests in any criminal case, and such officer making arrest, either upon warrant or view, may take charge of such vehicle and its contents, and deposit the same in some safe place of custody; and any necessary expenses which may be incurred for taking charge of and keeping and sustaining the same shall be a lien thereon, to be paid before the same can lawfully be recovered, or the said expenses, or any part thereof remaining unpaid, may be recovered by the person incurring the same, of the owner of said creature, in any action therefor.

SECT. 2. Any agent or officer of the New Hampshire Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals may lawfully destroy, or cause to be destroyed, any animal found abandoned and not properly cared for, appearing, in the judgment of two reputable citizens called by him to view the same in his presence, to be glandered, injured, or diseased past recovery for any useful purpose, if the value of the same shall not exceed, in the judgment of said citizens, the sum of five dollars.

SECT. 3. Any officer or agent of the said New Hampshire Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, upon being designated in writing for that purpose by the sheriff of any county in this state, may, within such county, make arrests, and bring before any court or magistrate thereof having jurisdiction, offenders found violating the provisions of this act.

SECT. 4. Any justice of a police court or of the peace, having jurisdiction to hear any offence arising under sections twenty-five, twenty-six, and twenty-seven of chapter two hundred and eighty-one of the General Laws, whenever he deems such punishment adequate, shall have power to impose a fine not exceeding twenty dollars, subject to the right of appeal existing in criminal cases.

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

[Approved July 22, 1881.]
CHAPTER 11.
AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE ASSESSMENT OF TAXES.

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

Sect. 1. Any person going into any town in this state, taking with him any property or estate, and doing business therein with such property or estate, after the first day of April and before the first day of September of any year, shall be taxed on such property and estate in said town, not previously taxed therein for the same year, on any day between said dates, upon like notice and in like manner as is now by law provided when any person or property has escaped taxation: Provided, that if the owner or legal custodian of such estate shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the assessors of said town that the same estate, or any part of it, was assessed for taxation and all legal rates and taxes upon it for the same year paid in any other town in this state, the taxes assessed according to the provisions of this act shall be abated to the extent of the taxes assessed and paid in some other town in this state as aforesaid; and provided, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to estate with reference to which a license may have been procured according to the provisions of chapter one hundred and nineteen of the General Laws.

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

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 12.
AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A REPORT OF THE NUMBER AND CAUSES OF DIVORCES.

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

Sect. 1. That the clerks of the supreme court shall, at the close of each term in their respective counties at which divorces are granted, make return to the secretary of state of the number of divorces.
Sect. 1. That it shall be the duty of the secretary of state to consolidate said returns, and publish them with his report of births, marriages, and deaths.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 13.

AN ACT FOR THE SPEEDY SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS.

Sect. 1. Orders may be made in vacation as well as in term time.

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

Sect. 1. In any probate appeal, orders may, upon due notice and opportunity for a hearing, be made by any justice of the supreme court, in vacation, sending questions of fact to the trial term, or a referee or referees for trial, drawing a case for the law term, or giving such other direction to the cause as might be given by the court at the law term, for making progress and bringing the appeal to a decision by the proper tribunal, without the delays incident to proceedings upon orders made in term time alone.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 14.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO DEALERS IN OLD METALS.

Sect.
1. Penalty for purchasing of any minor child old metals, etc.

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

Sect. 1. Any dealer in or keeper of a shop for the purchase and sale or barter of old junk, old metals, or second-hand articles, who shall purchase from or barter with any minor under the age of sixteen years any old junk or old metals without the written consent of the parent or guardian of such minor, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months.

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

[Approved July 27, 1881.]
CHAPTER 15.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LACONIA TO EXEMPT THE PROPERTY OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS' ASSOCIATION FROM TAXATION, AND RATIFYING VOTES OF SAID TOWN HERETOFORE PASSED.

SECTION 1. Laconia may exempt property from taxation.

SECTION 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SECTION 1. That the town of Laconia may, by a majority vote of the legal voters present and voting in any legal town-meeting, exempt from taxation any or all of the real and personal property of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association, located at the Weirs or elsewhere in said town; and all votes of said town heretofore passed exempting said property of said association from taxation are hereby ratified, confirmed, and made valid.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. [Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 16.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION EIGHT OF CHAPTER FORTY-THREE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO HEARINGS BEFORE TOWN OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. Qualified residents or non-residents may be substituted in place of disqualified officer.

SECTION 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SECTION 1. Section eight of chapter forty-three of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding at the close of said section the words "in the town, if such there be, otherwise from qualified persons, residents of another town, who have holden the same office," so that the last sentence of said section eight as amended shall read as follows: If in any case the whole board is disqualified, the selectmen shall in writing so inform some justice of the supreme court, who shall thereupon, with or without notice, appoint a new board for that case, from qualified persons who have before holden the same office in the town, if such there be, otherwise from qualified persons, residents of another town, who have holden the same office.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. [Approved July 27, 1881.]
CHAPTER 17.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE DOINGS OF THE SELECTMEN AND COLLECTORS OF TAXES IN THE TOWN OF GILMANTON FOR THE YEARS 1877, 1878.

Sect. 1. That all taxes assessed by the board of selectmen of Gilmanton for the years 1877 and 1878 are hereby legalized; and all the acts and doings of the selectmen and collectors of taxes of said town for said years in relation to the inventory assessment, and collection of all taxes in said town for the years 1877 and 1878, are hereby ratified, confirmed, and legalized: Provided, however, that no prior legal proceedings, nor rights or titles already acquired or claimed, shall be in any way confirmed, annulled, or affected by this act; and provided further, that nothing herein contained shall be construed as in any way to legalize any tax assessed by the selectmen of the town of Gilmanton upon the real estate situate within the boundary lines of the town of Gilford.

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

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 18.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE VOTE OF THE TOWN OF HAMPTON TO RAISE MONEY FOR TOWN PURPOSES.

Sect. 1. That all the taxes assessed by the board of selectmen of the town of Hampton for the year 1881 be and the same hereby are made legal; and all the doings of the selectmen in relation to the assessment of all taxes in said town for said year are hereby ratified, confirmed, and legalized.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]
CHAPTER 19.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CLERKS OF COURTS AND REGISTERS OF DEEDS AND PROBATE TO COPY IMPERFECT RECORDS.

Sect. 1. Preservation of county records provided for.

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

Sect. 1. That in case any public record in any county in this state becomes so faded or illegible as to be in danger of immediate obliteration, the clerks of court, registers of probate, and registers of deeds, in their several counties, may copy the same, under the direction of the county commissioners, into books prepared for that purpose, and such copies shall be considered as the original record; and copies of the same shall be taken and accepted as evidence in court, the same as copies of the original record are now taken.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 20.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS FOUR AND FIVE OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN RELATION TO CITATION AND NOTICE.


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

Sect. 1. That sections four and five of chapter one hundred and ninety-two of the General Laws are hereby amended by striking out the word "fourteen" in each of said sections, and inserting instead thereof the word twelve.

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

[Approved July 27, 1881.]
CHAPTER 21.

AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE ASSESSMENT OF TAXES IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH FOR THE YEAR 1881.

SECT. 1. Assessment of taxes legalized.

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

SECT. 1. The assessment of all taxes in the town of Randolph for the year 1881 is hereby ratified and made legal.

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

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 22.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO FISH AND GAME COMMISSIONERS AND WARDENS.

SECT. 1. Penalty for not appointing fish wardens.

SECT. 2. Commissioners may close waters for three years.

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

SECT. 1. That section four of chapter one hundred and seventy-six be amended by adding the following words to said section: And any town or city council neglecting to comply with the provisions of this act shall be liable to a penalty of fifty dollars, to be paid to the state treasury.

SECT. 2. That section eight of chapter one hundred and seventy-six be amended by striking out the words "one year" in the seventh line, and inserting the words three years in place thereof.

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

[Approved July 27, 1881.]
CHAPTER 23.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION TWO, CHAPTER NINETY OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

SECT. 1. High schools may be established.

SECT. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. Section two of chapter ninety of the General Laws shall be so amended as to read as follows: High schools may be established.

SECT. 2. Any town, by a major vote in town-meeting, or any school district having not less than one hundred children between six and sixteen years of age therein, by vote of two thirds of the legal voters of said district at a legal meeting, may determine to establish a high school, and shall thereby be constituted a high school district; and no high school district so established shall thereafter be discontinued except by a vote of two thirds of the legal voters of said district.

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

[Approved July 28, 1881.]

CHAPTER 24.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION FIVE OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATIVE TO THE TIME FOR CATCHING BLACK BASS.

SECT. 1. Black bass protected.

SECT. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. That section five of chapter one hundred and seventy-nine of the General Laws of the state of New Hampshire be amended by striking out the words "black bass" in the second line of said section, and inserting in the third line of said section, after the words "May and June," the words or shall take, catch, kill, or destroy any black bass between the thirtieth day of April and the fifteenth day of June.

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

[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 25.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE DOINGS OF THE GRAFTON COUNTY LEGISLATIVE CONVENTION FOR THE YEAR 1881.

Sect. 1. Doings of legislative county conventions legalized.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That all acts and votes done and passed by the convention of the representatives in the general court from Grafton county or any other county at the present session, be and the same are hereby legalized and made of the same effect as they would have been had the first meeting of said convention been called and held in accordance with section four of chapter twenty-three of the General Laws.

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

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 26.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO GAME ANIMALS.

Sect. 1. Moose, deer, and caribou protected.

Sect. 2. Gray squirrels protected.

Sect. 3. Close season of hares, rabbits, and muskrats extended.

Sect. 4. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Chapter one hundred and seventy-eight of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the first section, and inserting the following section in place thereof: If any person shall, between the first day of December in each year and the first day of September in the year following, by shooting, trapping, or otherwise, capture, kill, or destroy any deer, moose, or caribou within the limits of this state, he shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars for every such animal so captured, killed, or destroyed, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both.

Sect. 2. Section three of the same chapter is hereby amended by inserting the words "or gray squirrel" after the word "coon" in the third line.
Sect. 3. That the word "October" in the third line of section four be stricken out, and the word September inserted in place thereof.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect September 1, 1881. [Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 27.

AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE TAX ASSESSED IN THE TOWN OF JEFFERSON IN THE YEARS EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY AND EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE.

Sect. 1. Assessment of taxes legalized.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The assessment of all taxes in the town of Jefferson for the years 1880 and 1881 is hereby ratified and made legal.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage. [Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 28.

AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE COLLECTION OF TAXES.


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

Sect. 1. The selectmen of any town and the mayor and aldermen of any city may, in a particular case, cause any tax collectible by any town or city officer to be collected by suit at law or bill in equity. [Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 29.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION TWELVE OF CHAPTER FORTY OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN RELATION TO THE CHOICE OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SECT. 1. Vacancies in certain town offices may be filled by appointment by selectmen.

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

SECT. 1. That section twelve of chapter forty of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding, at the close of said section, the following words: Provided, however, that if any town shall neglect or refuse to choose either or any of the above mentioned officers, it shall be the duty of the selectmen of such town, within thirty days thereafter, to fill such vacancy or vacancies by appointment.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.  
[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 30.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE DOINGS OF THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF BENTON, IN RELATION TO THE ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SECT. 1. Assessment of taxes legalized.

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

SECT. 1. That all the taxes assessed by the board of selectmen of the town of Benton for the year 1877 be and the same hereby are made legal; and all the doings of the selectmen in relation to the assessment of all taxes in said town for said year are hereby ratified, confirmed, and legalized.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.  
[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 31.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE OF VINEGAR.

SECT. 1. Penalty for selling adulterated vinegar.

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

SECT. 1. Whoever adulterates for the purpose of sale any vinegar with any preparation of lead, copper, sulphuric acid, or with any drugs or other substance injurious to health, or knowingly sells or offers for sale any such adulterated vinegar, and whoever manufactures for sale, or knowingly sells or offers for sale as cider vinegar, any vinegar not produced solely from pure apple-juice or apple cider, shall for each offence be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars; and the mayor and aldermen of cities and the selectmen of towns may annually appoint one or more inspectors of vinegar, who shall be duly sworn, and shall make complaints for any violations of the [this] act.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 32.

AN ACT FIXING THE FEES OF CITY- AND TOWN-CLERKS FOR REGISTRY AND RETURN OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

SECT. 1. Fees regulated.

SECT. 2. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. That the clerk of each city and town in this state shall be paid by such city or town the following fees, to wit: For receiving, recording, and returning to the secretary of state the facts required to be recorded by section one of chapter one hundred and eighty-one of the General Laws, relating to each marriage, fifteen cents; to each birth and each death, twenty-five cents; and for obtaining, recording, and returning the facts relating to each birth, marriage, and death, which have not been officially reported to him, fifty cents: Provided, that any city may limit the aggregate of such compensation.

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

[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 33.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER FORTY-FOUR, SECTION TEN, OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO THE DUTIES OF CLERKS OF WARDS IN CITIES.

SECT. 1. Copies of records of ward meetings to be delivered to and preserved by city clerks.

2. Repealing clause.

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

SECT. 1. That section ten of chapter forty-four of the General Laws be amended by inserting after the words "at length" and before the word "and," in the fourth line of said section, the words "and shall, within seven days after any meeting of said ward, deliver to the clerk of the city in which said ward is situated a certified copy of the record of said meeting, which copy shall be preserved as a part of the records of said city. Said ward-clerk shall receive for such service the sum of one dollar."

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 34.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION EIGHT OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-EIGHT OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN RELATION TO SUITS BY AND AGAINST ADMINISTRATORS.

SECT. 1. Cases against administrators may be sent to referee.

2. Takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. Said section is hereby amended so as to read as follows, to wit: No action shall be commenced against an administrator after the estate is decreed to be administered as insolvent. Actions and suits at law or in equity against said administrator or the deceased, commenced before such decree and then pending in court, may be referred to a referee under section ten of chapter two hundred and thirty-one of the General Laws. The judgment of the court upon the award of the referee, if in favor of the creditor, shall be certified to the judge of probate, and the amount
recovered by the creditor, including costs, shall be added to the list of claims, as in case of appeals from the commissioner: Provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive either party of the right of trial by jury.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 35.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DIVISION OF FENCES IN SPECIAL LOCALITIES.

Sect. 1. When lands of different persons which are required to be fenced are bounded by or separated by a river, brook, or body of water, if the occupant of the land on one side refuses or neglects to join with the occupant of the land on the other side in making a partition fence, then two or more fence-viewers of the place or places in which such lands are situated, on application made to them, shall forthwith view such lands; and if they find a necessity for a more adequate fence than such stream or body of water affords, and that it is impracticable to fence on the boundary line without unreasonable cost, they shall, after giving notice to the parties to be present, determine how and where the fence shall be set up and maintained, as to them shall appear just, and shall reduce their decision to writing and cause the same to be recorded in the town records; and if either of the parties then refuses or neglects to make and maintain his part of said fence according to said decision, the same may be made and maintained in the same manner as is provided for the making and maintaining of fences in other cases determined by the fence-viewers.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.
[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 36.

AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-TWO OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

SECT.

1. Persons deemed gamblers.
2. Gambling implements may be taken in custody by officer.

SECT.

3. Such implements may be condemned and sold.
4. Repealing clause.
5. Takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. The provisions of the eighth section of chapter two hundred and seventy-two of the General Laws shall apply to all persons who are found present at any game or sport played for money at a common gaming-house, and such persons may be arrested and punished in like manner as persons there found playing.

SECT. 2. All implements for gambling, or gaming apparatus, used or kept and provided to be used in unlawful gaming in any gaming-house, or in any building, apartment, or place resorted to for unlawful gaming, and all furniture, fixtures, and personal property found in such gaming-house, building, apartment, or place, that may be found upon a search-warrant or by any officer, may be taken in custody by the officer finding the same, and carried before the proper magistrate to be dealt with according to law.

SECT. 3. After the seizure of any furniture, fixtures, or personal property as provided in the preceding section, application shall be made to a court of competent jurisdiction for a decree of condemnation of the same, and if upon the hearing of said application it shall be found and adjudged that the same or any part thereof was used as the furniture, fixtures, or personal property of such gaming-house, building, apartment, or place, and was found therein at a time when any persons were there found playing at any unlawful game, the same shall be adjudged forfeited, and the sheriff of the county, or his deputy, shall sell the same, or make such other disposition of the same, or any part thereof, in such a manner as the court shall order, and after deducting all costs and expenses allowed by the court shall pay the balance of the proceeds of such sale to use of the county.

SECT. 4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force on and from its passage.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 37.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE REFORM SCHOOL.

Sect. 1. Name changed.

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

Sect. 1. That the name of the "Reform School" be changed, and that its name shall hereafter be the Industrial School.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

[Approved August 3, 1881.]

CHAPTER 38.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX, SECTION NINE, OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Sect. 1. Towns or cities may prohibit fishing.

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

Sect. 1. That section nine of chapter one hundred and seventy-six of the General Laws be amended by striking out the words "exclusively in," and inserting instead thereof the words "so far as the same are included within the boundaries of," so that said section will read as follows: Any town or city in this state may, at any meeting duly notified and holden for that purpose, by major vote of such town or of the city government of such city, prohibit fishing in any waters so far as the same are included within the boundaries of such town or city, for any period not exceeding three years, for the purpose of stocking said waters with any kind of desirable fish; and any violation of such prohibition by any person shall be prosecuted by the warden, and if proved to the satisfaction of the magistrate shall be punished in the same way as provided in the preceding section.

[Approved August 3, 1881.]
CHAPTER 39.

AN ACT RECOGNIZING THE RIGHT TO RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN PRISONS AND REFORMATORY INSTITUTIONS.

Sect. 1. Constitutional right of convicts to worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences recognized.

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

Sect. 1. The rules and regulations established for the government of any prison, house of correction, or public charitable or reformatory institution in this state, shall recognize the right of the inmates to the free exercise of their religious belief and to worship God according to the dictates of their consciences, in accordance with the provisions of the constitution, and shall allow and provide for suitable religious instruction and ministration to the inmates in such manner as may best carry into effect the spirit and intent of this act, and be consistent with the proper discipline and management of the institution; but nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to authorize any additional expenditure on the part of the state.

[Approved August 3, 1881.]

CHAPTER 40.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE INCOME OF THE STATE PRISON.


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

Sect. 1. That in case the income of the state prison should, at any time prior to the first Wednesday of June, 1883, be insufficient to meet its current expenses, the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the treasury from time to time to provide for such deficiency, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sect. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.

[Approved August 3, 1881.]
**CHAPTER 41.**

**AN ACT TO CHANGE THE TIME OF HOLDING THE TRIAL TERMS OF THE SUPREME COURT IN COÖS AND GRAFTON COUNTIES, AND THE TERMS OF THE PROBATE COURT AT PLYMOUTH AND HAVERHILL, IN GRAFTON COUNTY.**

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

**Sect. 1.** The trial terms of the supreme court shall be held annually, for the northern judicial district of Coös county, at Colebrook, on the first Tuesday of September and the first Tuesday of February; for the southern judicial district of Coös county, at Lancaster, on the third Tuesday of April and the third Tuesday of October; for the eastern judicial district of Grafton county, at Plymouth, on the second Tuesday of May and the second Tuesday of November; and for the western judicial district of Grafton county, at Haverhill, on the third Tuesday of March and the third Tuesday of September.

**Sect. 2.** All writs and other processes returnable to the terms of said court, as heretofore established, shall be entered at the term in each of said districts first to be held, as provided by the preceding section.

**Sect. 3.** The terms of the court of probate for the county of Grafton, heretofore held at Plymouth on the first Tuesday of May and November of each year, shall hereafter be holden at Plymouth on the second Tuesday of May and November of each year; and the terms of said court of probate, heretofore holden at Haverhill on the fourth Tuesday of March and September of each year, shall hereafter be holden at Haverhill on the third Tuesday of March and September of each year; and all notices, reports, orders, continuances, and papers returnable to the terms of said court of probate, as heretofore established, shall be returnable to the corresponding terms, as provided in this section.

**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 August 4, 1881.]
CHAPTER 42.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ELECT TRUANT OFFICERS.

Sect. 1. School boards may elect truant officers and fix their compensation.

Sect. 2. Tenure of office.

Sect. 3. Their duties in regard to truants.

Sect. 4. In regard to children employed in manufacturing establishments.

Sect. 5. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The superintending school committees and boards of education in the several towns and cities of the state are hereby authorized to elect truant officers for said towns and cities, and to fix their compensation at a reasonable rate, which compensation shall be paid by the respective towns and cities.

Sect. 2. Said truant officers may be discharged by said committees for cause, but unless sooner discharged shall hold their offices for one year, or until their successors shall be appointed and qualified.

Sect. 3. It shall be the duty of said truant officers, under the direction of said committees, to enforce the laws of the state and the ordinances of said towns and cities, and the regulations of said committees not repugnant to law, in regard to truants and children between the ages of six and sixteen not attending school and without any regular and lawful occupation, and to compel the attendance of such children at school in obedience to law and to the regulations of said committees.

Sect. 4. Said truant officers shall, also, if required by said committees, enforce the laws in regard to children employed in manufacturing establishments, without attending school as required, and shall perform such service in that behalf as may be required by said committees.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]
CHAPTER 43.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER TWENTY-NINE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATIVE TO THE QUALIFICATION OF VOTERS.

Sect. 1. Honorably discharged soldiers or sailors not disfranchised by accepting aid.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That section two of chapter twenty-nine of the General Laws be amended by adding at the close of said section the following: And no soldier or sailor serving in the late rebellion, having been honorably discharged, otherwise a legal voter, shall be deprived of the right to vote by reason of having received assistance from any town.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]

CHAPTER 44.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING COUNTY OFFICERS TO APPOINT DEPUTIES IN CERTAIN CASES.

Sect. 1. County officers may appoint deputies.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That section eight of chapter twenty-four of the General Laws be amended by adding, at the close of said section, the following: The county clerk, the register of deeds, and the register of probate may each appoint deputies to fulfil the duties of their several offices, in case of sickness or the temporary absence of such officer. Such appointment shall be made in writing and approved by the bondsmen of the officer appointing and the county commissioners, and for a length of time not exceeding six months, and each officer shall be held responsible for any neglect or official misconduct of his deputy, and shall pay all charges for services rendered.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]
CHAPTER 45.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTIES BY COUNTY OFFICERS IN CERTAIN CASES.

Sect. 1. County officers' deputies to give bonds.

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

Sect. 1. The act entitled "An act authorizing the appointment of deputies by county officers in certain cases," passed at this session of the legislature, is hereby amended by adding to section one of said act the following words: And such deputies shall be duly qualified, and give bonds in like manner as the several officers appointing them.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]

CHAPTER 46.

AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION TWELVE, CHAPTER TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO THE SALARY OF REGISTER OF PROBATE IN COÖS COUNTY.

Sect. 1. Register's salary increased.

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

Sect. 1. Section twelve, chapter two hundred and eighty-nine of the General Laws, be and hereby is amended by striking out the words "three hundred and fifty" after the word "register" in the last clause of said section, and inserting in place thereof the words "four hundred and fifty."

[Approved August 4, 1881.]
CHAPTER 47.

AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE MUSTER-ROLLS OF THE WAR REGIMENTS OF THE STATE.

Sect. 1. Preservation of muster-rolls provided for.

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

Sect. 1. The governor is hereby authorized to have official copies made of the worn and defaced muster-rolls of the New Hampshire regiments, unattached companies, and batteries in the late war, and he is hereby authorized to draw his warrant from time to time upon the state treasurer for a sum not to exceed six hundred dollars in the aggregate for defraying the necessary expenses of the same, and said copies, when certified by the adjutant-general to be correct, shall have the same effect in evidence as the originals.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]

CHAPTER 48.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION TWELVE OF CHAPTER TWENTY-SEVEN OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO THE DUTIES OF REGISTERS OF DEEDS.

Sect. 1. Registers to copy indexes.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That section twelve of chapter twenty-seven of the General Laws be amended by striking out all of said section after the word "hand-writing" in the fourth line, and inserting instead thereof the words "into one or two volumes of indexes to be furnished by the county, properly ruled and prepared for indexes according to some approved system to be decided upon by the county commissioners or a committee chosen by the county convention, in which shall be entered the names of grantors to grantees and grantees from grantors."

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

[Approved August 5, 1881.]
CHAPTER 49.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF THE CITY OF KEENE.

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

Sect. 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to abate from the state tax for 1881, to be paid by the city of Keene in the county of Cheshire, two dollars and ninety cents for every one thousand dollars of the entire state tax, and to make the same proportional abatement annually thereafter during the period of the apportionment fixed by the act of July 18, 1879, entitled "An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes." And the treasurer of the county of Cheshire is also hereby authorized and required to make a proportional annual abatement from the amount of county tax to be paid by said Keene in 1881, and subsequently until a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes shall be made.

Sect. 2. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to remit to the said city of Keene the sum of two dollars and ninety cents on every one thousand dollars of the entire state tax paid by said city for the year 1880; and the treasurer of the county of Cheshire is also authorized and required to remit to said city of Keene the same proportional sum upon every one thousand dollars of the county tax paid by said city for the year 1880.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 5, 1881.]

CHAPTER 50.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER SEVENTY-SIX OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN RELATION TO OBSTRUCTIONS AND INJURIES TO HIGHWAYS.

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

Sect. 1. Whoever, upon any land owned or occupied by him, or in his care or control, shall make, continue, or permit any accumulation of logs, earth, or débris, in the vicinity of any highway,
wherby the waters of any stream or pond may or shall be turned or driven upon any highway so as seriously or unreasonably to obstruct, encumber, or injure the same, shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, to be paid to the town in which said highway is situated.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage. [Approved August 9, 1881.]

CHAPTER 51.

AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF HOTEL-KEEPERS.

Sect. 1. Penalty for defrauding hotel-keepers.

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

Sect. 1. Any person who shall put up at any hotel or inn, and shall procure any food, entertainment, or accommodation without paying therefor, except where credit is given by express agreement, with intent to cheat or defraud the owner or keeper thereof out of the pay for the same, or who, with intent to cheat or defraud such owner or keeper out of the pay therefor, shall obtain credit at any hotel or inn for such food, entertainment, or accommodation by means of any false show of baggage or effects brought thereto, or who shall with such intent remove or cause to be removed any baggage or effects from any hotel, inn, or boarding-house while there is a lien existing thereon for the proper charges due from him for fare and board furnished therein, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding three months, or by fine not exceeding twenty dollars.

Sect. 2. It shall be the duty of all hotel-keepers to post up a printed copy of this act in a conspicuous place in each room of their hotels or inns.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
CHAPTER 52.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO REQUIRING BONDS FROM EXECUTORS AND TRUSTEES UNDER WILLS.

Sect. 1. Bonds of executors and trustees.
Sect. 2. Repealing clause.

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

Sect. 1. Executors and trustees under a will shall be exempt from giving a bond, or from giving a surety or sureties on their bonds, whenever the testator shall by his will so direct: Provided, however, that the judge of probate may at any time require a bond with sufficient sureties, if he is of opinion that the same is made requisite by a change in the situation or circumstances of the executor or trustee, upon petition of any heir, devisee, or creditor, or for other sufficient cause: Provided, also, that a bond for the payment of debts shall be given in all cases.

Sect. 2. Chapter forty-nine of the acts of 1879, entitled "An act relative to the requirement of a bond by executors and trustees under a will," is hereby repealed.

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

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

CHAPTER 53.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER SIXTY-TWO OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN RELATION TO THE TAXATION OF RAILROADS AND TELEGRAPHS.

Sect. 1. Taxation of railroads.
Sect. 2. Taxation of telegraphs.
Sect. 3. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The requirement of section one of chapter sixty-two of the General Laws, that every railroad corporation in this state shall pay an annual tax as near as may be in proportion to the taxation of other property in the several towns and cities in which such railroad is located, is hereby repealed, and said section is so amended as to require every such railroad corporation to pay an annual tax as near as may be in proportion to the taxation of other property in all the cities and towns of the state; and the collection
of any tax assessed against any railroad corporation shall be made, and the amount thereof distributed, as by law directed, notwithstanding any application of any such corporation to the supreme court for an abatement of the same; and if, upon such application, judgment shall be rendered for any reduction of such tax, the state treasurer shall credit and allow the same upon the tax against said railroad corporation collectible next subsequent to such judgment. All written evidence submitted by any railroad corporation to the board of equalization shall be accessible to and examined by the attorney-general, who shall also be present and represent the state when any railroad corporation is given a hearing before said board concerning the assessment of the tax against such corporation.

Sect. 2. Section fourteen of said chapter is hereby so amended as to require that every telegraph corporation, company, or person shall pay an annual tax as near as may be in proportion to the taxation of other property throughout the state, upon the value of any telegraph line owned or operated by said corporation, company, or person, including the office furniture and machinery. And section fifteen of said chapter is so amended as to require the state board of equalization to assess said telegraph property at the average rate of taxation of other property throughout the state.

Sect. 3. Said assessment shall be made and certified to the state treasurer by the thirtieth day of September, and the tax shall be paid on or before the thirtieth day of October. If any tax so assessed is not paid by said thirtieth day of October, the state treasurer shall issue his extent for the same, and all property of the delinquent corporation, company, or person, on the first day of April preceding, shall be liable for its payment.

Sect. 4. All provisions of law inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
CHAPTER 54.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE ERECTION OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE POLES AND WIRES, AND SIMILAR STRUCTURES FOR ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

SECT. 1. Telegraph, etc., poles may be erected and wires stretched in highways.
2. Not to impede public travel, nor use private property without owner's consent, nor acquire prescriptive right.
3. Municipal officers to locate lines and grant license.
4. Location of poles and wires.
5. Not to interfere with similar structures.
6. Damages—how assessed.
7. Party aggrieved may apply to supreme court.

SECT. 8. Proceedings when wires are to be laid under or by the side of highway.
11. To keep lines open for the use of the public.
12. To furnish means of lighting by electric lights.
13. Use of highways, a public use.

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

SECT. 1. The proprietors of any telegraph line, or of any telephone exchange or line of telephones used for the transmission of spoken messages by means of the electric speaking telephone, or of lines for establishing electric lights in this state, may erect and maintain the necessary poles and structures and stretch the necessary wires for the use of such telegraph line, or telephone exchange, or line of telephones, or line for electric lighting, over, across, and along any public highway in this state, or may lay the same under the surface of any such highway.

SECT. 2. Such telegraph, telephone, or electric lighting poles, structures, and wires shall be erected and maintained subject to the provisions of chapter eighty of the General Laws of this state relating to telegraphs, which are hereby made applicable to lines of wire for telephonic and electric lighting purposes; and no poles, structures, or wires are hereby authorized that shall in any way impede or obstruct the free and safe use of any highway for public travel, nor that shall interfere with or obstruct the safe, free, and convenient use of, or access to or from, any lands or buildings adjoining or near such highway; and no such poles or other structures shall be erected or wires stretched, by any of such proprietors, on, over, or across the lands or buildings of any individuals or corporations without their consent; and no right shall be acquired by the use of wires stretched on, over, or across the lands or buildings of any such individual or corporation for any length of time.

SECT. 3. Whenever any such proprietors shall desire to erect their poles or structures, or to stretch their wires, they may apply by petition to the mayor and aldermen of any city or the selectmen of any town in which such poles or structures are to be erected or wires stretched, to locate the route of the lines for such telegraph, telephone, or electric lighting, on, over, and along the public high-
ways in such town or city, and to grant license therefor upon such conditions as the public good may require.

Sect. 4. The mayor and aldermen or the selectmen shall have the power to grant such license, and may fix and limit the size and location of such poles and structures, their distances from each other, the height from the ground that such wires may be stretched, and the number of wires that may be so used, and the time for which the license shall continue in force, and may revoke the same whenever the public good shall so require, and from time to time, upon like application of such proprietors or by any person whose rights or interests are affected, may alter and change the location of such poles or structures, and the height and size of the same, as well as the height and number of wires, or may revoke the said license if proper cause is shown; and all proceedings of the mayor and aldermen or selectmen under this act shall be subject to the supervision of the supreme court on application of any person interested or aggrieved.

Sect. 5. No such poles or structures shall be erected or wires stretched in any way so as to interfere with any other similar structure.

Sect. 6. If any person shall be aggrieved or damaged by the erection of such poles or structures, or by the stretching of such wires, or by the use made of the same, he may apply to the mayor and aldermen or the selectmen to assess the damages which he claims are occasioned thereby, who shall give notice to such proprietors and all others interested, and after hearing all parties may award such damages as may be legally and justly due.

Sect. 7. If said mayor and aldermen or selectmen shall neglect or refuse to make such award, or either party shall be dissatisfied therewith, or said proprietors shall neglect or refuse to pay the same within thirty days after such award is made, either party may apply to the supreme court for relief, and like proceedings shall be had as in case of appeals from the laying out of highways and the assessment of damages therefor.

Sect. 8. Proceedings, as provided by this act, may be taken on petition to the mayor and aldermen or selectmen, in case any proprietors aforesaid shall desire to lay their wires under the surface of any highway, or in case any person interested or affected by such poles, structures, or wires, or the use made thereof, shall petition therefor.

Sect. 9. Similar proceedings may be had by any such proprietors for locating and licensing any such telegraph, telephone, or electric lighting lines already constructed, or for changing or altering the location of such lines as may have been heretofore erected.

Sect. 10. Nothing herein contained shall exempt any such proprietors from liability for any unlawful entry, trespass, or damage already made or committed, nor from any liability or damage that may occur from want of care or from negligence in erecting or maintaining such poles, structures, or wires.

Sect. 11. Such proprietors of any telephone or telegraph lines shall open and maintain, at some convenient point or points, offices or places where any person desir-
ed by such line or its connections, on payment of a reasonable fee for such use; and if any such proprietors shall neglect or fail so to open and maintain such offices or places, any person aggrieved may apply to the supreme court by petition for redress, and the court shall make such orders and issue such decrees as justice may require.

Sect. 12. Such proprietors of any electric lighting apparatus or lines shall furnish the means of lighting by such electric light to all persons within reach thereof and applying therefor upon similar terms and conditions, without discrimination and at reasonable rates; and any person aggrieved by the neglect or failure to furnish such means at such rates may apply to the supreme court by petition for redress, and the court shall make such orders and decrees as justice may require.

Sect. 13. The use of the highways of this state, by telegraph, telephone, and electric lighting poles, structures, and wires, under and in accordance with the provisions of this act, is hereby declared to be a public use of such highways.

Sect. 14. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

**CHAPTER 55.**

**AN ACT TO RELIEVE PARTIES AND COUNTIES FROM PAYMENT OF REFEREES’ FEES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR SPEEDY TRIALS IN THE SUPREME COURT.**

Sect. 1. Causes triable by referees shall, as far as practicable, upon the agreement of the parties thereto, be tried by one or more justices of the supreme court.

Sect. 2. No justice of said court shall be an officer in any railroad corporation in this state, nor be auditor or referee in any cause pending in said court, nor receive any compensation for any service performed or expense incurred by him in any judicial capacity, except the salary now established by law and the expenses provided by this act.

Sect. 3. The justices of the supreme court shall severally receive the sum of five hundred dollars per annum in addition to their salaries now established by law, to cover their personal expenses incurred in the performance of their judicial duties.

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

Sect. 4. Repealing clause: takes effect on its passage.
Sect. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage, but shall not apply to pending cases now referred.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

CHAPTER 56.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER NINETY-ONE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

Sect. 1. Children under sixteen not to be employed, unless.

Sect. 2. Children under fourteen not to be employed, unless.

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

Sect. 1. Section eleven of chapter ninety-one of the General Laws shall be so amended as to read as follows: Sect. 11. No child under sixteen years of age shall be employed in any manufacturing establishment, unless he has attended some public school, or private day school where instruction was given by a teacher competent to instruct in the branches taught in common schools, at least twelve weeks during the year preceding; and no child under said age shall be so employed, except in vacation of the school in the district in which he resides, who cannot write legibly and read fluently in readers of the grade usually classed as third readers.

Sect. 2. Section twelve of said chapter ninety-one shall be so amended as to read as follows: Sect. 12. No child under the age of fourteen years shall be employed as aforesaid unless he has attended school as aforesaid at least six months during the year preceding, or has attended the school of the district in which he dwelt the whole time it was kept during such year; and no child under twelve years of age shall be so employed unless he has attended the school of the district in which he dwelt the whole time it was kept during the year preceding.

Sect. 3. Section thirteen of said chapter ninety-one shall be amended by striking out the word “fifteen” and inserting therefor the word “sixteen.”

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect January 1, 1882. [Approved August 9, 1881.]
### Chapter 57.

**AN ACT TO PREVENT DECEPTION IN SALES OF BUTTER AND CHEESE.**

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

**Sect. 1.** Whoever, by himself or his agents, shall sell, expose for sale, or have in his possession with intent to sell, any article or compound made in imitation of butter, or as a substitute for butter, and not made wholly of cream, or containing any fats, oils, or grease not produced from milk or cream, shall have the words “Adulterated butter;” or, if such substitute is the compound known as oleomargarine, then the word “Oleomargarine,” stamped, labelled, or marked in printed letters of plain Roman type not less than one half inch in length, so that said words cannot be easily defaced, and can be plainly read at the time of the sale, upon the top and side of every tub, firkin, box, or package containing any of said article, substance, or compound. And in case of retail sales of any of said article, substance, or compound not in the original packages, the seller shall attach to each package, and deliver with said package to the purchaser, a label bearing the words “Adulterated butter,” or the word “Oleomargarine,” as herein provided.

**Sect. 2.** Whoever, by himself or his agents, shall sell, expose for sale, or have in his possession with intent to sell, any article, substance, or compound made in imitation or semblance of cheese, or as a substitute for cheese, or containing any fats, oils, or grease not produced from milk or cream, shall have the words “Imitation cheese” stamped, labelled, or marked in printed letters of plain Roman type not less than one inch in length, so that said words cannot be easily defaced, and can be plainly read at the time of the sale, upon the cloth around the cheese, and upon the top and side of every box or package containing any of said article, substance, or compound. And in case of retail sales of said article, substance, or compound, the seller, by himself or agents, shall attach to each package and deliver to the purchaser a label bearing the words “Imitation cheese,” in printed letters of plain Roman type not less than one half inch in length.

**Sect. 3.** Whoever sells, exposes for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, any article, substance, or compound made in imitation or semblance of butter, or as a substitute for butter, except as is provided in section one of this act; whoever sells, exposes for sale, or has in his possession with in-
tent to sell, any article, substance, or compound made in imitation or semblance of cheese, or as a substitute for cheese, except as is provided in section two of this act; and whoever shall deface, erase, cancel, or remove any mark, stamp, brand, label, or wrapper provided for by this act, or change the contents of any box, tub, article, or package marked, stamped, or labelled as aforesaid, with intent to deceive as to the contents of said box, tub, article, or package, shall for every such offence forfeit, and pay a fine of fifty dollars, and for a second and each subsequent offence a fine of one hundred dollars, to be recovered with costs in any court of this state of competent jurisdiction; and any fine so recovered and paid shall go one half to the complainant and one half to the county where the offence was committed.

SECT. 4. The complainant, in any action brought under section three of this act, or the health officers of any city or town, may cause specimens of suspected butter or cheese to be analyzed, or otherwise satisfactorily tested, and a certificate of the analysis, sworn to by the analyzer, shall be admitted in evidence in all proceedings under this act. The expense of such analysis or test, not exceeding twenty dollars in any one case, may be included in the costs of prosecution in all cases prosecuted under this act.

SECT. 5. For the purposes of this act the terms "butter" and "cheese" shall be understood to mean the products usually known by these names, and which are manufactured exclusively from milk or cream or both, with salt and rennet, and with or without coloring matter.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force upon its passage.

[Approved August 11, 1881.]

CHAPTER 58.

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

SECT. 1. State tax of $400,000 annually.

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

SECT. 1. The sum of four hundred thousand dollars shall be raised annually for the term of two years, for the use of the state treasury, on or before the first day of December in each of the years 1882 and 1883, and the state treasurer is hereby directed seasonably to issue his warrants to the selectmen of the several towns and places, and to the assessors of the several cities in this state, according to the apportionment of the public taxes made at the June session, 1879; and the selectmen of such towns and places, and the assessors of such cities, are hereby required to

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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 in the years 1882 and 1883; and the state treasurer is hereby authorized to issue his extents for all the taxes which shall remain unpaid on the dates last above named.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 59.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNTS IN PROBATE COURTS.

SECT.
1. Settlement of account by administrator, etc.
2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Every administrator, executor, guardian, and trustee, before giving notice to settle his account in the court of probate, shall file said account in the probate office of the county where the same is to be settled, and shall cause the fact of such filing to appear in said notice, and shall at the same time file a statement of the names and residences of the heirs, legatees, and beneficiaries, if known to him.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 60.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE ANNUAL TOWN-MEETINGS IN HART’S LOCATION FOR THE YEARS 1879, 1880, AND 1881.

SECT.
1. Proceedings legalized.
2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. All the votes and proceedings of the inhabitants of Hart’s Location at the annual meetings for the years 1879, 1880, and 1881, are hereby legalized and confirmed.

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

[Approved August 16, 1881.]
CHAPTER 61.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PERAMBULATING TOWN LINES IN CERTAIN CASES.

SECT. 1. County commissioners to perambulate town lines in certain cases.

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

SECT. 1. When the place next to any town has no organization, and is on the line of adjoining counties, the county commissioners of the county in which the place is situated shall be empowered to act in the perambulation of the line between the county and town, and be notified and proceed in the same manner and subject to the same liabilities as the selectmen of towns.

[Approved August 16; 1881.]

CHAPTER 62.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF THE TOWN OF PELHAM.

SECT.
1. Taxes abated.
2. Taxes remitted.

SECT.
3. Takes effect—when: repealing clause.

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

SECT. 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to abate from the state tax for 1881, to be paid by the town of Pelham in the county of Hillsborough, forty cents for every one thousand dollars for the entire state tax, and to make the same proportional abatement annually thereafter of the state tax to be paid by said town during the period of apportionment fixed by the "Act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes," approved July 18, 1879; and the treasurer of the county of Hillsborough is hereby authorized and required to make a proportional annual abatement from the amount to be paid by said town of Pelham in the year 1881, and subsequently until a new proportion for assessment for public taxes shall be made.

SECT. 2. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to remit to said town of Pelham the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars of the state tax paid by said town for the year 1880; and the treasurer of the county of Hillsborough is also authorized and required to remit the sum of one hundred and fifty-two dollars and fifty-seven cents of the county tax paid by said town to the treasurer of the county of Hillsborough for the year 1880.

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

[Approved August 16, 1881.]
CHAPTER 63.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF THE TOWN OF WINDHAM.

SECT. 1. Taxes abated.
2. Taxes remitted.

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

Taxes abated. Sect. 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to abate from the state tax for 1881, to be paid by the town of Windham in the county of Rockingham, fifteen cents for every one thousand dollars for the entire state tax, and to make the same proportional abatement annually thereafter of the state tax to be paid by said town during the period of apportionment fixed by the "Act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes," approved July 18th, 1879; and the treasurer of the county of Rockingham is hereby authorized and required to make a proportional annual abatement from the amount to be paid by said town of Windham in the year 1881 and subsequently, until a new proportion for assessment of public taxes shall be made.

Taxes remitted. Sect. 2. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to remit to said town of Windham the sum of sixty dollars of the state tax paid by said town for the year 1880; and the treasurer of the county of Rockingham is also authorized and required to remit the sum of eighty-two dollars and fifty-one cents of the county tax paid by said town to the treasurer of the county of Rockingham for the year 1880.

Takes effect—when: repealing clause. Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage; and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 64.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

SECT. 1. State board of health—how appointed, and term of office.
3. Board to have office assigned them in state house, and to furnish information to citizens on sanitary subjects.
4. To have charge of vital statistics.

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

State board of health—how appointed and term of office. Sect. 1. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint four persons, three of whom shall always be physicians and one a civil engineer, who with the governor and attor-
ney-general of the state shall constitute a state board of health. Of the four persons first appointed, two shall serve for two years and two for four years from the time of their appointment; and the governor shall thereafter in the same manner biennially appoint two persons to be members of the board, to hold their offices for four years; and all vacancies shall be filled in the same manner for the unexpired term.

Sect. 2. The board thus formed shall meet in the state-house at least once in every three months, and three members shall constitute a quorum for business. They shall organize by electing one of their number president, and shall appoint a suitable person, who shall be a physician and may be a member of the board, to be their permanent secretary and executive officer, who shall hold his office at the pleasure of the board so long as he shall faithfully discharge the duties thereof. They shall institute the necessary rules to govern the organization and establish the amount of salary that the secretary shall receive; and no member of this board shall receive any compensation for services except the secretary, save that the actual expenses incurred while engaged in the duties of the board, which shall be rendered in an itemized account, after being approved by the finance committee of the board and the state treasurer, shall be paid out of an appropriation made for its support. The salary of the secretary shall be paid quarterly in the same manner from the same appropriation.

Sect. 3. The governor and council shall designate a room in the state-house, suitably appointed, as a place for the board to hold their meetings, and to be used as an office for the secretary of the board. This room shall be kept open for the benefit of the public the same as the other public offices of the state; and information pertaining to the sanitary condition of the state, or any suggestions or regulations necessary to guard against epidemic or contagious disease, shall be furnished from this office to citizens, or to town or county authorities, without expense; and the board shall also take cognizance of the sanitary condition of all public buildings, hospitals, and grounds within the state that are now occupied as penal institutions, almshouses, or reformatory institutions, whether state or county, without other remuneration than such as is provided for in section two of this act.

Sect. 4. The board shall take charge of the vital statistics of the state, and enforce the provisions of chapter one hundred and eighty-one of the General Laws.

Sect. 5. The board shall, whenever directed by the governor and council, assist selectmen to enforce the provisions of chapter one hundred and sixteen of the General Laws, with compensation as provided in section two of this act.

Sect. 6. The board shall take cognizance of the interests of health and life among the people of the state, making sanitary investigations, and advising and assisting local boards of health in conducting special investigations into the cause of epidemics and the sources of mortality; and they shall collect such information in respect to these matters as may be useful to the people of the state, and report the same, through the governor and council, in the same manner as other state officials are now required to do.
Sect. 7. The report to the governor and council shall also contain a detailed statement of the expenses of the board, including the salary and expenses of the secretary; but the total amount paid for the expenses of the board shall not exceed three thousand dollars in any one year, which amount is hereby annually appropriated for this purpose, to be paid by the state treasurer as specified in section two of this act.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect from the date of its passage, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 65.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF THE TOWN OF HUDSON.

Sect. 1. Taxes abated.
Sect. 2. Taxes remitted.

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

Sect. 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to abate from the state tax for 1881, to be paid by the town of Hudson in the county of Hillsborough, for every one thousand dollars seventeen cents for the entire state tax, and to make the same proportional abatement annually thereafter of the state tax to be paid by said town during the period of apportionment fixed by the "Act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes," approved July 18, 1879; and the treasurer of the county of Hillsborough is hereby authorized and required to make a proportional annual abatement from the amount to be paid by said town of Hudson in the year 1881, and subsequently until a new proportion for assessment of public taxes shall be made.

Sect. 2. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to remit to said town of Hudson the sum of sixty-eight dollars of the state tax paid by said town for the year 1880; and the treasurer of the county of Hillsborough is also authorized and required to remit the sum of forty-seven dollars of the county tax paid by said town to the treasurer of the county of Hillsborough for the year 1880.

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

[Approved August 16, 1881.]
CHAPTER 66.
AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF THE TOWN OF WINCHESTER.

Sect. 1. Taxes abated.
2. Taxes remitted.

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

Sect. 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to abate from the state tax of 1881, to be paid by the town of Winchester in the county of Cheshire, fifteen cents for every one thousand dollars of the entire state tax, and to make the same proportional abatement annually thereafter of the state tax to be paid by said Winchester during the period of the apportionment fixed by the act of July 18, 1879, entitled "An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes;" and the treasurer of the county of Cheshire is also hereby authorized and required to make a proportional annual abatement from the amount of county tax to be paid by said Winchester in 1881, and subsequently until a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes shall be made.

Sect. 2. The state treasurer shall remit to the town of Winchester sixty dollars of the state tax of 1880, and the treasurer of the county of Cheshire shall remit a proportional amount of the county tax paid by said town of Winchester for the year 1880.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 67.
AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF THE TOWN OF HAMPSTEAD.

Sect. 1. Taxes abated.
2. Taxes remitted.

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

Sect. 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and required to abate from the state tax of 1881, to be paid by the town of Hampstead in the county of Rockingham, twenty-two cents for every one thousand dollars of the entire state tax, and to make the same proportional abatement annually thereafter of the state tax to be paid by said Hampstead during the period of the appor-
tionsment fixed by the act of July 18, 1879, entitled "An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes;" and the treasurer of the county of Rockingham is also hereby authorized and required to make a proportional annual abatement from the amount of county tax to be paid by said Hampstead in 1881, and subsequently until a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes shall be made.

SECT. 2. The state treasurer shall remit to the town of Hampstead eighty-eight dollars of the state tax of 1880, and the treasurer of the county of Rockingham shall remit a proportionate amount of the county tax paid by said town of Hampstead for the year 1880.

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

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 68.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF POLICE IN UNORGANIZED PLACES.

SECT.
1. County commissioners may appoint police officers.
2. Copy of record of appointment to be filed with clerk of court.

SECT.
3. Officer to wear badge.
5. Compensation and discharge.

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

SECT. 1. The commissioners of any county in which there may be any unorganized place may, upon petition of five or more reputable persons resident in such place, appoint such persons as they may deem proper as police officers, for the purposes and with the powers herein set forth. Such police officers shall hold their offices during the pleasure of the commissioners of the county for which they may have been appointed, not exceeding a term of three years.

SECT. 2. A copy of the record of the appointment of such police officers shall be filed with the clerk of the supreme court for the county in which the place where they may act as such officers is situated; and the filing of such record with their oath of office shall constitute the persons named therein police officers within and for the unorganized place specified in such record.

SECT. 3. Every such officer when on duty, except as a detective, shall wear some badge in plain view, with the word "police" inscribed thereon.

SECT. 4. Such officers shall have like powers and shall be subject to the like duties as the police officers of towns.
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Sect. 5. The compensation of such police officers shall be provided by the persons petitioning for their appointment as aforesaid, and their duties shall close upon notice to that effect, filed by the county commissioners in like manner as the record of appointment, and with due notice thereof to such officers.

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 August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 69.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION THREE, CHAPTER THIRTY-NINE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN RELATION TO THE ELECTION OF MODERATOR; AND ALSO TO AMEND SECTION FOUR, CHAPTER THIRTY-SEVEN OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN REGARD TO SPECIAL TOWN-MEETINGS.

Sect. 1. Check-list to be used in the election of moderator.

Sect. 2. The raising of money at special town-meetings regulated.

Sect. 3. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That section three, chapter thirty-nine of the General Laws, be amended by adding the words "at annual and biennial elections" to the last clause of said section, so that it shall read:

The check-list shall be used at all times in the election of moderator, at annual and biennial elections.

Sect. 2. That section four, chapter thirty-seven, be amended by adding to the last clause of said section the words "at the last annual or biennial election next preceding such special meeting; and such check-list may legally be used at said meeting upon the request of ten legal voters of the town," so that the last clause of said section shall read: Provided, that 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 check-list of said town at the last annual or biennial election next preceding such special meeting, and such check-list may legally be used at said meeting upon the request of ten legal voters of the town.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]
CHAPTER 70.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE SERVICE OF LEGAL PROCESS IN CERTAIN CASES.

SECT. 1. Non-resident trustee—how summoned and held.

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

SECT. 1. Any person doing business in this state, and residing out of the state, may be summoned upon trustee process, and held as trustee therein, on account of money, goods, chattels, rights, or credits belonging to the principal defendant, in his hands or possession, in this state, by duly serving the same upon the clerk or agent having charge of such business.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 71.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO FISH LAWS, VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.

SECT. 1. Certain forfeited fishing implements to be destroyed.
2. Lobsters protected.

SECT. 3. Owners may take fish from their own waters.
4. Black bass excluded.
5. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. That section three of chapter one hundred and seventy-nine be amended by the addition of these words: except that all spears and trawls shall be immediately destroyed by the person seizing the same.

SECT. 2. That section sixteen of the same chapter be amended by restoring the words stricken out by the fourth chapter of the Pamphlet Laws of 1879, so that said section shall read as follows: Sect. 16. No person shall catch, preserve, sell, or expose for sale, within the limits of the state of New Hampshire, any lobster between the fifteenth day of August and the fifteenth day of October of each year; and from the said fifteenth day of October to the fifteenth day of August next following of each year no lobster shall be caught, preserved, sold, or exposed for sale, under ten and one half inches in length, measuring from one extreme of the body to the other, exclusive of claws or feelers, nor shall any female lobster be killed or destroyed while carrying her spawn or hatching her young; and any person violating any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of ten dollars for every lobster so caught, used, sold, or exposed for sale as aforesaid.
Sect. 3. That section twenty-four of the same chapter be amended by inserting after the word "science" in the third line, the words "from such private waters."

Sect. 4. That section fifteen of the same chapter be amended by adding, after the words "free from pike and pickerel," the words "nor shall any person put any black bass into any of the waters in this state without a permit from the fish commissioners."

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

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 72.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER FORTY-FOUR OF THE LAWS PASSED JUNE SESSION, 1879, IN RELATION TO THE SALE OF TREES, SHRUBS, AND VINES.

Sect. 1. Resident nurserymen may sell trees, &c., grown one year in their lands without license.

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

Sect. 1. That section one of chapter forty-four of the Panphlet Laws, passed June session, 1879, be amended by adding, at the end of said section, the following provision: Provided, however, that any citizen of this state may sell trees, shrubs, and vines grown one year or more in lands or nurseries owned by him in this state on which taxes have been paid, without procuring the license or incurring the penalty provided in sections one, two, and three of said chapter; and this amendment shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 73.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO FISHWAYS.

Sect. 1. Fishways in Winnipiseogee river.

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

Sect. 1. The owners of dams upon the Winnipiseogee river shall not be required to build or maintain fishways for the period of two years, nor until the governor and council shall issue a proc-
lamination that in their opinion the public good requires the building and maintaining of the same; and the owners of such dams shall be allowed six months from the date of such proclamation in which to erect and complete such fishways before they shall be liable to any fine or action for neglect to build and maintain the same;—and all acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 74.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SALARY OF THE CHAPLAIN OF THE STATE PRISON.

Sect. 1. Eight hundred dollars appropriated.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the sum of eight hundred dollars annually for the ensuing two years be and hereby is appropriated for the payment of the salary of the chaplain of the state prison.

Sect. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 75.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION ONE OF CHAPTER SIXTY-TWO OF THE GENERAL LAWS, LIMITING AND DEFINING THE EXEMPTION OF RAILROADS FROM TAXATION.

Sect. 1. Railroads exempted from taxation for ten years.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That section one of chapter sixty-two of the General Laws be amended by striking out the last clause thereof, relating to the exemption from taxation, and inserting instead thereof the following: But any portion of every railroad which has not been completed and opened for use for the period of ten years from the fifteenth day of September in each year, preceding the time when such tax is assessed, shall be exempt from taxation.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]
CHAPTER 76.

AN ACT DEFINING THE DUTIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

SECT. 1. Duties and salary of superintendent of public instruction.

SECT. 2. To visit as many towns as practicable during his term of office.

SECT. 3. Takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. The state superintendent of public instruction shall visit and lecture upon educational subjects in as many towns and cities of the state during each term of his office as the time occupied by his other official duties will permit, and shall receive in full, for salary, clerk hire, and other expenses, the sum of two thousand dollars per annum.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the said superintendent to visit each town in the state as often as is practicable, the number of towns so visited and the number of lectures given not to be less than seventy-five each year; and the first seventy-five lectures given each year shall be in those towns having the smallest number of inhabitants, and the lectures during each year shall be distributed among the different counties, so that each part of the state may receive its proportionate share of attention.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 77.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE SALARIES OF THE JUDGE AND REGISTER OF PROBATE FOR THE COUNTY OF MERRIMACK.

SECT. 1. Salaries of judge and register increased.

SECT. 2. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. That the annual salary of the judge of probate for the county of Merrimack shall be six hundred dollars, and the annual salary of the register of probate for that county shall be seven hundred and fifty dollars, instead of the sums now allowed by law.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage. [Approved August 17, 1881.]
CHAPTER 78.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ESTABLISHING A BOUNTY UPON CROWS.

SEC. 1. Bounty for killing crows.

SEC. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SECTION 1. If any person shall kill any crow within this state, and shall proceed with the same in the manner directed in the first section of chapter one hundred and fifteen of the General Laws, he shall receive therefor the sum of ten cents.

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

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 79.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TAXATION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SHIPS ENGAGED IN THE FOREIGN CARRYING TRADE.

SEC. 1. Ships engaged in foreign carrying trade not, but their income is, taxable.

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

SECTION 1. Ships and vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade for at least ten months of the year preceding the annual assessment of property for taxation, or built during the year for that trade, shall not be included in the personal estate liable to be taxed, but the net yearly income of such ships and vessels may be taxed as such personal estate.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]
CHAPTER 80.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO UNCLAIMED FREIGHTS.

SECTION 1. Unclaimed freights may be sold by order of court.

SECTION 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SECTION 1. Upon application of the proprietors of any railroad corporation, or other common carriers, the supreme court may order the sale, on suitable notice and terms, of any property transported by them which has remained unclaimed for one year, and may make such order as to the disposal of the proceeds of such sale as may be just; and fresh fish and meat, or fruits, or vegetables, quickly perishable, not removed within a reasonable time after their arrival and notice to the sender or consignee, may be sold by such proprietors or carriers at public or private sale, and the facts of such sale subsequently reported to the court, and their order taken as to the disposition of the proceeds thereof.

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

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 81.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF MILK UPON RAILROADS.

SECTION 1. Railroads not to discriminate against small dealers in milk.

SECTION 2. Railroad commissioners to revise tariff—when.

SECTION 3. Penalty for refusing to carry at rates fixed by commissioners.

SECTION 4. Takes effect—when.

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

SECTION 1. No railroad corporation shall contract with any person or corporation to furnish facilities for the transportation of milk, or shall itself carry the same in large quantities over any portion of its line, without at the same time establishing a tariff under which it will receive, forward, and deliver milk by the can over the same portion of its line for any person tendering the same, in such way that the milk so tendered by the can shall be carried under fairly proportionate advantages in every respect, including price, time, and reasonable care for the same, as the milk carried in large quantities, or through facilities furnished by contract.
Sect. 2. On the petition of any person desiring to forward milk over any railroad, it shall be the duty of the board of railroad commissioners to investigate and ascertain at what rates facilities for the carriage of milk under contract or in large quantities are furnished by the corporation operating such railroad, and to compare the same with the tariff of said corporation for the carriage of milk from and to the same places by the single can, including a reasonable compensation for the care of the same; and if the tariff for the care and carriage of such milk by the can is found to be unreasonably more than the rate charged for its carriage under contract, or in larger quantities, said board of railroad commissioners shall revise such tariff and fix such rates therefor as shall be fairly proportionate with such contract or large quantity rates, and notify the corporation of such revision: Provided, that milk received by one corporation from another shall not be considered as milk received at the point of junction of the roads of such corporations, so as to regulate the rates charged on milk tendered for carriage at such point of junction.

Sect. 3. A corporation which shall refuse or neglect to receive, forward, or deliver milk by the can at the tariff rates fixed and notified to it by the board of railroad commissioners in the manner provided in the preceding section shall forfeit to the person tendering such milk the sum of ten dollars for each and every can which it so refuses to receive or neglects to forward or deliver, to be recovered in an action of tort.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 82.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE DUTIES OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Sect. 1. Duties of attorney-general defined.

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

Sect. 1. The attorney-general shall prosecute all indictments and informations, and institute or defend all suits and processes to which the state is a party; shall exercise general supervision and direction over the county solicitors; and may practice in civil causes to which the state is not a party and which in no way arise from or are connected with any criminal offence, and will not interfere with the due and faithful discharge of his duties as attorney-general.

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 August 17, 1881.]
CHAPTER 83.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AUDITING THE ACCOUNTS OF THE STATE TREASURER.

Sect. 1. Governor to appoint auditor.  
2. Committee of council to assist auditor.  
3. Auditor's report to be filed and published.

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

Sect. 1. The governor shall annually appoint a competent accountant, whose duty it shall be to audit the accounts of the state treasurer in the month of May in each year.

Sect. 2. The governor shall also appoint a committee of the executive council, whose duty it shall be to render the auditor such assistance as he may require in the discharge of his duties.

Sect. 3. The auditor shall annually, on or before the first day of June, file with the secretary of state and state treasurer a statement of the result of his examination, which statement shall be published with the annual report of the state treasurer.

Sect. 4. A sum not exceeding two hundred dollars is hereby annually appropriated for the payment of the auditor, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for so much of the same as may be required.

Sect. 5. 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 August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 84.

AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTION FIVE OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO WILD ANIMALS, DOGS, AND SHEEP.

Sect. 1. Bounty on hawks repealed.  
2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That section five, chapter one hundred and fifteen of the General Laws, relating to a bounty on hawks, be and hereby is repealed.

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

[Approved August 18, 1881.]
CHAPTER 85.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE SINKING FUNDS OF CITIES AND TOWNS.

SECT. 1. Sinking funds not to be misapplied.

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

Sect. 1. No city or town shall apply or use any sinking fund by them established, for any other purpose than that for which said fund was created.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 86.

AN ACT CHANGING THE TIME OF HOLDING THE TERMS OF PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF STRAFFORD.

SECT. 1. Time of holding court changed.
SECT. 2. Salaries of judge and register increased.
SECT. 3. Repealing clause.

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

Sect. 1. The courts of probate for the county of Strafford shall be held annually in said county at the times and places as follows,—namely, at Dover, on the first Tuesday of every month; at Farmington, on the third Tuesday of April, August, and December; at Rochester, on the third Tuesday of January, March, June, and October; at Somersworth, on the third Tuesday of February, May, July, September, and November.

Sect. 2. The salary of the judge of probate for said county shall be four hundred and twenty-five dollars, and of the register of probate for said county four hundred and fifty dollars.

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]
CHAPTER 87.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION EIGHT, CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO BANK COMMISSIONERS.

Sect.
1. Bank commissioners to be paid by the state.

Sect. 2. Repealing clause.

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

Sect. 1. That section eight of chapter one hundred and sixty-six of the General Laws be so amended that the commissioners shall be paid for their services by the state instead of the banks, as now provided in said section.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 88.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS SIX AND TWENTY-FOUR OF CHAPTER SEVENTY-TWO OF THE GENERAL LAWS, RELATING TO SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Sect.
1. Highway districts to be limited, and lists given to surveyors by the first of June.
2. Surveyors to account to selectmen; unpaid highway taxes to be committed to collector; lien for highway taxes extended one year.

Sect.
3. Selectmen to be in session to receive accounts and to file them with town-clerks.
4. Penalty for neglect by surveyor.
5. Surveyor to give bond.

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

Sect. 1. That section six of chapter seventy-two of the General Laws is hereby amended as follows: Strike out the word "fifteen" in the first line of said section, and insert the word first; also, strike out the word "May," and insert the word June.

Sect. 2. Strike out section twenty-four of said chapter seventy-two, and insert the following: Surveyors of highways shall, on the first Saturday in July next after the expiration of their term of office, account to the selectmen for the taxes on their lists, and pay any unexpended balance in their hands to the town treasurer, and deliver to said selectmen their warrants and lists, with a statement of the amount worked out or paid in money by each person named in their lists, and the amount against each person not paid nor worked out. If any taxes remain unpaid or unworked on said lists, the selectmen shall commit the same to the collector of highway districts to be limited, and lists given to surveyors by the first of June.

Surveyors to account to selectmen; unpaid highway taxes to be committed to collector; lien for highway taxes extended one year.
Chapter 89.

An act in addition to chapter one hundred and eleven of the General Laws, relating to nuisances.

Sect. 1. Lessors of buildings in villages to provide suitable privies.

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

Sect. 1. Every person or party who shall lease or let to any other person or party any building or portions thereof, situate in the compact part of any village, for offices, stores, shops, or sleep-
ing apartments, shall construct, furnish, and maintain suitable privies and vaults for the use and easement of the tenants in such building, at his own expense, and shall at all times keep such privies and vaults properly ventilated and in a proper sanitary condition.

Sect. 2. If such lessor, person, or party shall refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions of the foregoing section for the space of thirty days after notice in writing to him or his agent having charge of such building, by the selectmen of the town in which such building is situated, that such building or any portion thereof so leased or let is not suitably provided and furnished according to the requirements of the foregoing section, he shall forfeit the sum of one dollar for each day of such refusal or neglect after the expiration of said thirty days.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 90.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN CASE OF THE RESIGNATION, DEATH, OR REMOVAL OF SELECTMEN.

Sect. 1. In case of the resignation, death, or removal of a selectman of any town, the vacancy thereby created shall be filled forthwith by the remaining members of the board of selectmen by the appointment to fill such vacancy of some citizen, a legal voter in such town, who shall have previously held said office by election of the legal voters of such town.

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

[Approved August 18, 1881.]
CHAPTER 91.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER EIGHTY OF THE LAWS OF 1879, RELATING TO AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE FINANCIAL PROCEEDINGS, THE CONDITION, AND AFFAIRS OF CARROLL COUNTY.

Sect. 1. Time for making report extended.

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

Sect. 1. That the time for making the report of the committee named in said chapter, and all the powers and privileges of said committee as are contained in said joint resolution, be and are hereby extended to the next session of the legislature.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 92.

AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTIONS TEN, ELEVEN, AND TWELVE, CHAPTER SIXTY OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Sect.
1. Special taxation of property not lying in any town repealed.

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

Sect. 1. That sections ten, eleven, and twelve of chapter sixty of the General Laws, relating to the taxation of property, real and personal, not lying in any town, and providing for the distribution of the money thus raised, are hereby repealed.

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

[Approved August 18, 1881.]
CHAPTER 93.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AN ACT APPROVED AUGUST 4, 1881, ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE TIME OF HOLDING THE TRIAL TERMS OF THE SUPREME COURT IN COÖS AND GRAFTON COUNTIES, AND THE TERMS OF THE PROBATE COURT AT PLYMOUTH AND HAVENHILL.


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

Sect. 1. All processes which have been or may be instituted fourteen days previous to the beginning of the terms of court as established by the act to which this is an addition, returnable to the courts as established before the passage of said act, shall be entered and prosecuted at the terms of court as now established, the same as though originally made returnable thereto.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 94.

AN ACT IN FURTHERANCE OF ARTICLE FOURTEEN OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.


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

Sect. 1. The reasonable compensation to referees or masters, in suits at law or in equity, or on appeals referred by order of court, shall be paid by the county as in cases arising under section nine of chapter two hundred and thirty-one of the General Laws, any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 95.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX OF THE GENERAL LAWS, IN RELATION TO BANK COMMISSIONERS.

SECT. 1. Two bank commissioners to be appointed. | SECT. 2. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. Two bank commissioners shall be appointed by the governor and council, who shall hold office for two years and until others are appointed and qualified in their stead, but may be removed at pleasure by the governor and council.

SECT. 2. Section two of chapter one hundred and sixty-six of the General Laws, 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 August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT RE-DISTRICTING THE STATE FOR THE ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS.

SECT. 1. Two congressional districts established. | SECT. 2. Limits of each district. | SECT. 3. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. The state shall be divided into two districts for choosing representatives in the congress of the United States, and each district shall be entitled to elect one representative.

SECT. 2. Said districts shall be formed and limited in manner following: The counties of Rockingham, Strafford, Belknap, and Carroll, and Allenstown, Canterbury, Chichester, Epsom, Hooksett, Loudon, Northfield, Pembroke, and Pittsfield, in the county of Merrimack, and Bedford, Goffstown, Merrimack, Hudson, Litchfield, Manchester, and Pelham, in the county of Hillsborough, shall constitute the first district.

The counties of Cheshire, Sullivan, Grafton, and Coös, and Andover, Boscawen, Bow, Bradford, Concord, Danbury, Dunbarton, Franklin, Henniker, Hill, Hopkinton, Newbury, New London, Salisbury, Sutton, Warner, Webster, and Wilmot, in the county of Merrimack, and Amherst, Antrim, Bennington, Brookline, Deerfield, Franconia, Greenfield, Greenville, Hancock, Hillsborough,
Hollis, Lyndeborough, Mason, Milford, Mont Vernon, Nashua, New Boston, New Ipswich, Peterborough, Sharon, Temple, Weare, Wilton, and Windsor, in the county of Hillsborough, shall constitute the second district.

Sect. 3. Sections one and two of chapter thirty-three of the General Laws of New Hampshire shall be repealed, and this act shall go into effect upon the passage by congress of an apportionment act allotting to New Hampshire two representatives in congress.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 97.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE NATIONAL GUARD.

Sect.

1. The active militia shall be known and designated as the New Hampshire National Guard, and, on a peace footing, shall consist of not more than three regiments of infantry, one four gun battery of light artillery, and two companies of cavalry.

2. The regiments of infantry shall consist of not less than six nor more than ten companies: Provided, the companies of infantry shall not exceed twenty-four in the aggregate.

3. The inspector-general shall make an annual inspection of each troop of cavalry, platoon and battery of light artillery, and company of infantry, and of all other organizations belonging to the national guard, at such time as the commander-in-chief may order: Provided, however, that such inspection shall be made on or before the first day of July in each year. He shall also inspect all armories, books, records, and military property in possession of the guard. The aggregate companies of infantry not to exceed twenty-four. Inspections to be made annually, and report within thirty days.
of each organization, and report to the commander-in-chief, through the adjutant-general, within thirty days of such inspection, the condition thereof.

Sect. 4. To each brigade there shall be a brigadier-general, who shall appoint, and may remove at pleasure, one assistant adjutant-general, one medical director, each with the rank of lieutenant-colonel; one assistant inspector-general, one judge advocate, each with the rank of major; one brigade quartermaster, one brigade commissary, two aids-de-camp, each with the rank of captain. There shall also be allowed to each brigade, one brigade bugler and one brigade color-sergeant, who shall be regularly enlisted. The assistant inspector-general of the brigade shall be detailed as assistant to the inspector-general, in which case he will report to the inspector-general direct.

Sect. 5. To each regiment of infantry there shall be one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel, one major,—and a regimental staff, to be appointed by the colonel and removable at his pleasure, to consist of one surgeon, with the rank of major; an assistant surgeon, one paymaster, and one chaplain, each with the rank of captain; an adjutant, one quartermaster, who shall act as paymaster when the office of paymaster is vacant, with the rank of first lieutenant,—all to be commissioned by the governor and commander-in-chief; and a non-commissioned staff, to consist of a sergeant-major, a quartermaster-sergeant, a commissary-sergeant, a hospital steward, and a drum-major, who shall be regularly enlisted, and appointed by warrant of the colonel.

Sect. 6. The captains and subalterns in the respective regiments and battalions shall be nominated and recommended by the field officers, and captains and subalterns in companies of cavalry or platoons of artillery by the brigade commander, to the governor, who shall issue their commissions upon receipt of such recommendations.

Sect. 7. Each company and platoon commander, the quartermaster of each regiment, and the brigade quartermaster, shall, on the first Tuesday in April in each year, make and sign a correct return, in duplicate, in the form prescribed, of the camp equipage, ordnance, military stores, musical instruments, and other public property in his charge furnished by the state, cause the same to be signed and recorded by the clerk, and transmit one copy of the return direct to the quartermaster-general, and place the other upon the files of the company, platoon, regiment, or brigade;—and any officer neglecting to make the returns required by law shall forfeit the sum of twenty dollars; but such forfeiture may be remitted by the commander-in-chief, when, upon a report of the facts by the adjutant-general, he deems the neglect excusable.

Sect. 8. The necessary expense for the rent of an armory for each company of infantry, not exceeding one hundred dollars a year, and for each regimental band-room, not exceeding seventy-five dollars a year, and for an armory and gun-house of each troop of cavalry, platoon or battery of light artillery, not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars a year, and for each battalion, regimental, or brigade head-quarters, not exceeding one hundred dollars a year, shall be allowed by the governor, and paid on his order by
the adjutant-general to the commander of each brigade, regiment, battalion, troop, battery, platoon, or company.

Sect. 9. There shall be an annual encampment of the New Hampshire National Guard, by brigade, regiments, battalions, or otherwise, as the commander-in-chief may order, for at least four days, at such time as the commander-in-chief may designate.

Sect. 10. When a platoon, battery, or company is to be paraded, the commander shall issue his orders to one or more of the sergeants (excepting the first sergeant), corporals, or privates, not exceeding two, of his platoon, battery, or company, requiring them to warn the officers, musicians, and privates, whose names are inserted in or annexed to the order, to appear at the time and place appointed for parade; and such sergeants, corporals, or privates shall receive the sum of one dollar for such service.

Sect. 11. Such sergeant, corporal, or private shall warn every person whose name is so inserted, by delivering to him in person, or leaving at his abode, a written order, at least four days previous to the time of such parade.

The return under oath of the sergeant, corporal, or private, upon the order directed to him, stating that such notice was given, or a copy of the record of such order and return in the company books, certified by the clerk, is evidence that due notice was given of such parade.

Any sergeant, corporal, or private, convicted of wilfully making a false return, shall be punished as in other cases of perjury.

If any sergeant, corporal, or private shall neglect or refuse to warn any officer, musician, or private whom he is ordered to warn, he shall forfeit the sum of two dollars for each person not warned.

If any sergeant, corporal, or private refuses or neglects to make due return under oath of any order to him directed, agreeably to such order, he shall forfeit two dollars for each person whose name is inserted in or annexed to such order, and who does not appear at such parade, to be recovered by action of debt by the commander; but the commander, for good cause shown within fifteen days, may excuse him.

Sect. 12. There shall be paid, for subsistence, attendance, and performance of duty, to such officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates as shall be specially ordered to attend encampments and parades, as is provided in this law, the following sum each per day for every day actually on duty, the inspecting officer excepted:

To all non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, members of regimental bands excepted, one dollar.

To all commissioned officers of the line, two dollars.

To all field officers below the rank of colonel, three dollars.

To all commanding officers of regiments, five dollars.

To all regimental staff officers and the staff officers of a battalion, two dollars and fifty cents; and to all non-commissioned staff officers, one dollar and twenty-five cents.

To the brigadier-general or brigade commander, six dollars.

To all brigade staff officers, four dollars; and each of the aforesaid commissioned officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, privates, and members of the regimental bands, shall be allowed
and paid, when in camp or specially ordered out by the commander-in-chief, the sum of fifty cents per day for subsistence.

Sect. 13. All officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates shall be paid each one dollar per day for attendance and performance of duty at the annual half-day parade required by law, and fifty cents each when specially ordered out for inspection by order of the commander-in-chief; but no compensation shall be allowed for any other company parade or drill.

Sect. 14. For the trial of non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, the commanding officer of any regiment shall, at such times and places as may be necessary, appoint a regimental court-martial in his regiment, and in like manner the brigade commander shall appoint a like court-martial for companies of cavalry and platoons of artillery in the brigade, excepting such times as such company of cavalry or platoon of artillery are under the immediate command of the regimental commander. Such court shall consist of three commissioned officers, to be appointed by the commander of the regiment; and in case of a court ordered for any company of cavalry or platoon of artillery, the court shall be appointed from any officers of the New Hampshire National Guard. Such court shall have power, subject to the approval of the officer ordering the court, in the case of a non-commissioned officer, to sentence, to be reduced to the ranks with loss of pay, and with the approval of the officer appointing such court, and with the approval of the commander-in-chief, such court may sentence the accused to be dishonorably discharged, or discharged with loss of pay, and disqualified from holding office in the New Hampshire National Guard.

Sect. 15. In all courts-martial ordered under the provisions of this act, the officer appointing the court shall designate the president and judge-advocate of said court. The arraignment of the accused, the proceedings, trial, and record, shall in all respects conform to the regulations of courts-martial, unless otherwise provided; and the sentence of such courts shall be in accordance with the nature and degree of the offence, and according to established military usage; but such sentence in time of peace shall not extend further than is provided in this act.

The proceedings and sentence of every court-martial shall, without delay, be forwarded to the officer appointing the same for review, who shall immediately approve or disapprove of such proceedings and sentence. A roll of the officers of the court, and of the accused person or persons, and witnesses appearing before it, shall constitute a part of the records of every such court, which shall, with the other records and proceedings, be filed with the adjutant of the regiment or with the assistant adjutant-general, as the case may require, and copied into his order-book; and said records shall at the same time be forwarded by the adjutant or assistant adjutant-general to the state.

Sect. 16. The president of every court-martial, and also the judge-advocate, shall have power to administer the oath to witnesses, and may issue summonses for the accused, and all witnesses whose attendance at such court may in his opinion be necessary in behalf of the state, and also on application for all
witnesses in behalf of the accused person or persons; and he may
direct the commanding officer of any company to cause such sum-
mouses to be served on any person who may be a member of his
company; and any officer or soldier failing to serve such sum-
mouses as directed, and any witnesses failing to appear when so
summoned, and not having a sufficient and reasonable excuse in
the judgment of the officer ordering the court, shall be liable to
trial by court-martial for disobedience of orders.

SECT. 17. All courts-martial ordered and convened under the
provisions of this act shall be held without cost to the state.

SECT. 18. The governor is hereby authorized and empowered to
issue such orders for the purpose of carrying into effect the provi-
sions of this act as may be necessary.

SECT. 19. Sections ten and thirteen of chapter ninety-eight of
the General Laws, and an act passed at this session entitled "An
act in amendment of chapters 96, 97, 98, 99, 102, and 104 of the
General Laws, relating to the New Hampshire National Guard," and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are here-
by repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 98.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER THIRTY-FIVE OF THE GENERAL LAWS
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, RELATING TO THE APPORTIONMENT OF REPRESENT-
ATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT.

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

SECT. 1. The following named towns, none of which had eigh-
teen hundred inhabitants, as shown by the census of 1880, may
each elect one representative biennially,—namely, Acworth, Alex-
andria, Allenstown, Alstead, Alton, Amherst, Andover, Antrim,
Ashland, Auburn, Bath, Barnstead, Barrington, Bartlett, Bedford,
Belmont, Berlin, Bethlehem, Boscawen, Bow, Bradford, Brent-
wood, Bristol, Brookline, Campton, Canaan, Candia, Canterbury,
Carroll, Charlestown, Chester, Chesterfield, Chichester, Colebrook,
Columbia, Cornish, Croydon, Concord (Wards 1, 2, 3, and 7),
Danbury, Danville, Deerfield, Deering, Dunbarton, Durham, Eaton,
Effingham, Enfield, Epping, Epsom, Fitzwilliam, Franccstown,
Freedom, Fremont, Gilmanton, Gilsum, Goffstown, Gorham,
Grafton, Greenfield, Greenland, Greenville, Hampstead, Hampton,

Sect. 2. The following named towns, none of which had thirty hundred inhabitants, as shown by the census of 1880, may elect two representatives biennially,—namely, Concord (Ward 5), Conway, Derry, Dover (Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5), Gilford, Hanover, Haverhill, Hillsdale, Hopkinton, Lancaster, Lisbon, Littleton, Manchester (Wards 1, 2, 7, and 8), Meredith, Milford, Newmarket, Newport, Pembroke, Peterborough, Pittsfield, Salem, Walpole, Weare, Whitefield, Winchester, Wolfeborough; and the following named towns, none of which had forty-two hundred inhabitants, as shown by the census of 1880, may elect three representatives biennially,—namely, Concord (Wards 4 and 6), Exeter, Farmington, Franklin, Laconia, Lebanon, Manchester (Ward 6), Nashua (Ward 6), and Portsmouth (Wards 1 and 2); and the town of Claremont, not having fifty-four hundred inhabitants, as shown by the census of 1880, may elect four representatives biennially; and the following named towns, none of which had sixty-six hundred inhabitants, as shown by the census of 1880, may elect five representatives biennially,—namely, Manchester (Wards 3 and 4), Rochester, and Somersworth; and Ward 5, of Manchester, not having seventy-eight hundred inhabitants, as shown by the census of 1880, may elect six representatives biennially; —and none of the towns named in this or the preceding section shall elect except as herein provided.

Sect. 3. Of the remaining towns, those not having the constitutional number of inhabitants, as shown by the census of 1880, and being so situated that they cannot conveniently be classed, those hereinafter named are hereby authorized to each elect a representative such proportionate part of the time as the number of its inhabitants, as shown by the census of 1880, shall bear to six hundred; that it to say, they may elect as follows, namely:

Atkinson, in the years 1880, 1882, 1886, 1888, 1890;
Benton, in the years 1882, 1886, 1890;
Bennington, in the years 1880, 1884, 1886, 1888, 1890;
Center Harbor, in the years 1880, 1882, 1884, 1888, 1890;
Chatham, in the years 1880, 1882, 1886, 1888, 1892;
Dublin, in the years 1880, 1882, 1886, 1888, 1890;
Dalton, in the years 1880, 1882, 1884, 1886, 1890;
Grantham, in the years 1880, 1882, 1884, 1888, 1890;
Goshen, in the years 1880, 1882, 1884, 1886, 1890;
Langdon, in the years 1880, 1884, 1888, 1892;
Litchfield, in the years 1882, 1886, 1890;
Madbury, in the years 1880, 1882, 1886, 1890;
Mont Vernon, in the years 1880, 1882, 1884, 1888, 1890;
Monroe, in the years 1882, 1886, 1890;
Newington, in the years 1880, 1882, 1886, 1888, 1890;
Newbury, in the years 1882, 1884, 1886, 1890;
Orange, in the years 1882, 1886, 1890;
Sharon, in the years 1880, 1886, 1892;
Sandown, in the years 1880, 1882, 1884, 1888, 1890;
Temple, in the years 1882, 1884, 1888, 1890:
and none of said towns named in this section shall elect except as herein provided.

Sect. 4. The following named towns and places, not having the constitutio
nal number of inhabitants each for a representative in the general court, are hereby classed for the election of representatives, and each class may elect one representative biennially, namely:

**CLASS**

1. East Kingston and South Hampton.
2. Brookfield and Middleton.
3. Albany and Madison.
5. Roxbury, Sullivan, and Surry.
7. Easton and Landaff.
8. Bridgewater and Hebron.
10. Franconia and Lincoln.
14. Randolph, Shelburne, Crawford’s Grant, Martin’s Location, Nash and Sawyer’s Location, and Thompson and Meserve’s Purchase.

Sect. 5. Sections four, five, six, seven, and eighteen of said chapter are hereby repealed.

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

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 99.

AN ACT PROHIBITING TREASURERS OF SAVINGS BANKS FROM ACTING AS PRIVATE BANKERS.

Sect. 1. Treasurers of savings banks not to carry on private banking.

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

Sect. 2. Penalty for violation.

Sect. 1. No treasurer or person acting as treasurer of any savings bank shall carry on or be engaged in the business of private banking, or suffer the same to be carried on in the office of such bank.

Sect. 2. Any person violating the provisions of this act shall, on conviction, be punished by a fine of one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not more than one year, or by both, in the discretion of the court.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 100.

AN ACT FOR THE INSPECTION AND LICENSING OF STEAMBOATS AND THEIR ENGINEERS.

Sect. 1. Inspectors of steamboats to be appointed; their duties, &c.

Sect. 2. Penalty for using steamboat not inspected.

Sect. 3. Compensation of inspectors.

Sect. 4. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The governor and council shall appoint one or more inspectors of steamboats, whose duty it shall be to inspect the boilers and engines of any steamboat, and the boat itself, used for the carriage of passengers for hire, on any lake, river, or pond in the state not subject to the authority in this respect of the United States inspection laws, or where inspections under such laws are not regularly made. Said inspectors shall certify as to the safety and sufficiency of said boat, its boilers and engines; shall establish the maximum number of passengers it may carry at any one time, and such other rules and regulations as may seem proper for such boat. The owners or lessees of such boat shall cause a copy of such rules and regulations to be posted in a conspicuous place on the same. Said owners or lessees shall cause any engineer by them employed to be examined as to his competency by said in-
spects, who shall certify as to the same; and no person shall act as engineer of said boat who has not such certificate. The inspection of boilers shall be made annually, and the inspection of the boat itself and its engines shall be made biennially; and no certificate as to the safety and sufficiency of any boiler shall be available after one year from its date, nor any other certificate after two years from its date.

Sect. 2. If any person shall be convicted of using any such steamboat for the carriage of passengers for hire which has not been duly inspected as to its boilers and engines and the boat itself, within the period and in all respects as provided in this act, or shall be convicted of employing on such boat any engineer not having a certificate as herein required, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both said punishments.

Sect. 3. Said inspector or inspectors shall be allowed six cents per mile travel to and from such boat, by the most direct route, and the sum of five dollars for each boat inspected and certified, and one dollar for each engineer's certificate, which sums shall be paid by the owners or lessees of the boat inspected; and all inspectors' bills for such fees shall be subject to revision by the governor and council in case of any complaint.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect January 1, A. D. 1882.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 101.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER THIRTEEN OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "THE STATE TAX AND STATE REVENUES," AND IN RELATION TO THE TREASURY FEE FOR PRIVATE ACTS.

Sect. 1. No private act passed at the June session of the legislature of 1881, or at any subsequent session of the legislature of this state, for which enactment fees are now required to be paid to the state treasurer, according to the provisions of section five of chapter thirteen of the General Laws, shall become null and void if the same shall have been paid within thirty days after the expiration of the session at which such act may have been passed.

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 August 19, 1881.]
### CHAPTER 102.

**AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTION SEVENTEEN OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND NINE OF THE GENERAL LAWS, CONCERNING THE SALE OF SPIRITUOUS OR INTOXICATING LIQUOR.**

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

** Sect. 1.** Section seventeen of chapter one hundred and nine of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

** Sect. 2.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

### CHAPTER 103.

**AN ACT FOR THE BETTER PROTECTION OF DEPOSITORS IN SAVINGS BANKS.**

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

** Sect. 1.** Any bank commissioner who shall, in the annual report of the bank commissioners, make a statement which purports to be the condition of a bank without having fully and carefully examined said bank, or who shall make a false statement of the condition of any bank with intent to deceive, shall be subject to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding five years for each offence.

** Sect. 2.** Treasurers of savings banks shall keep their books in such manner that the amount due each depositor may be readily ascertained. The books of every savings bank shall contain the names and dates upon the notes and acceptances owned by them, and the numbers upon their bonds and upon their certificates of stock, so that the identity of such assets, and the fact of ownership, and the date of purchase can be readily ascertained.

** Sect. 3.** No savings bank shall hire money, or give the note of such bank, except by vote of the trustees; and all notes given by
any savings bank shall be signed by the treasurer and shall be
countersigned by the president and two trustees.

Sect. 4. The trustees of savings banks shall make a thorough
examination of the affairs of their respective banks once in every
six months, and a report of such examination, signed by a com-
mittee of the trustees, shall be returned to the bank commission-
ers; and a copy of said report shall be published by the bank in a
newspaper in the place where such bank is situated, or if there be
no newspaper in such place, then in a newspaper published at the
nearest place thereto.

Sect. 5. The treasurers of savings banks shall, in making the
annual returns required by chapter sixty-five, section seven, of
General Laws, make said returns in conformity with blanks fur-
nished by the state treasurer; and in taxing the deposits in sav-
ings banks, the amount of all real estate owned by said banks, as
shown by their books, shall be deducted.

Sect. 6. Savings banks may pay their presidents and trustees
such reasonable compensation for services rendered as they may
think just; and they shall receive no commissions or emoluments
from any other source.

Sect. 7. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provi-
sions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect
upon its passage.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 104.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO RAILROAD BRIDGES.

Sect.
1. Railroads to erect bridge-guards: penalty
   for neglect.

Sect.
2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That every railroad corporation shall erect and main-
tain suitable bridge-guards at every bridge or other structure, any
portion of which crosses the railroad less than eighteen feet above
the track, such guards to be approved by the board of railroad
commissioners, and to be erected and adjusted to their satisfaction.
Any corporation which refuses or neglects to comply with the pro-
visions of this act shall for each month of continuance in such
neglect or refusal forfeit the sum of fifty dollars; and whoever
shall wilfully destroy or break any such bridge-guard shall forfeit
a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, and be liable to impris-
onment not exceeding thirty days.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect December 1, 1881.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 105.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PRISON.

Sect. 1. $3,700 appropriated for putting in boiler.
Sect. 2. $300 for library.
Sect. 3. Money to be expended by governor and council.
Sect. 4. Governor authorized to draw his warrant.
Sect. 5. Takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. That the sum of thirty-seven hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to the New Hampshire State Prison for the purpose of putting in an additional boiler, connections, and boiler-house, and for such other purposes as shall be deemed for the best interests of the institution by the governor and council.

SECT. 2. That the further sum of three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the benefit of the prison library for the two ensuing years.

SECT. 3. That all the moneys appropriated by this act shall be expended under the direction and at the discretion of the governor and council.

SECT. 4. That the governor is hereby authorized and empowered to draw from time to time by his warrant said sums, or so much thereof as he may think necessary, from the treasury of the state, out of any money therein not otherwise appropriated.

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

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 106.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AND REGULATING THE TRIAL BY JURY IN CERTAIN CASES.

Sect. 1. Corporations have same right to trial by jury as other parties.
Sect. 2. Repealing clause.
Sect. 3. Takes effect—when.

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

SECT. 1. That municipal and all other corporations and quasi corporations, in all actions at law in which they are parties, either plaintiff or defendant, and also the other party to the same action, shall have the same right to a trial by jury that any other party has under the constitution, where the damages demanded are one hundred dollars or more.
Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage, and shall not apply to actions at law now pending.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 107.

JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE HOSPITALITIES OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Preamble; hospitality of the state tendered to the President of the United States.

WHEREAS, It is currently reported that His Excellency James A. Garfield, President of the United States, intends visiting New England some time during the month of July, and whereas the people of New Hampshire have always paid due respect to the chief executive of the nation, without distinction of party; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That a joint committee, consisting of three members of the senate and seven members of the house of representatives, be appointed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house respectively to communicate with President Garfield, and extend to him the hospitality of the state, and invite him to visit the legislature at the capital, if consistent with his prior arrangements, while sojourning in New England.

[Approved July 1, 1881.]

CHAPTER 108.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE STATE LIBRARY.

$500 appropriated.

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 appropriated in each of the years 1881 and 1882 for the use of the state library, to be expended by the trustees thereof in purchasing and binding books for said library.

[Approved July 1, 1881.]
CHAPTER 109.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sentiments of the people of New Hampshire on the attempt to assassinate the President of the United States; people urged not to attribute the assault to political conspiracy or sectional animosity; governor requested to transmit the same to secretary of state at Washington.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the people of New Hampshire and this legislature have heard with the deepest sensibility and grief of the attempted assassination of the President of the United States; that we express our abhorrence of the causeless and atrocious crime of thus assailing the life of a president, who, by his tolerant, generous, and patriotic administration of his high office, has made himself beloved by the whole people; and that we utter our heart-felt entreaties to the all-wise Ruler of the universe that the stricken sufferer may soon be relieved from physical pain, and speedily restored, in health and strength, to his family, his friends, and the nation.

Resolved, That in this hour of national anxiety and sorrow, we deplore hasty and injurious attempts to attribute the tragic assault upon the president to any political conspiracy, or to either factional or sectional animosity; and we urge the people of our own and other states not to yield to feelings of passion or despondency. Whatever may result to the president, the republic will live. On July 4, 1860, at Ravenna, Ohio, he who now lies prostrate nobly and truly said, "Individuals may wear for a time the glory of our institutions, but they carry it not with them to the grave." In his words of wisdom and hope the nation will find peace and strength.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to transmit the foregoing resolution to the national secretary of state, with the request that he will, whenever it may be appropriate, express to the president our sorrow, sympathy, and hope in his behalf; and will also communicate our earnest feelings to the family, who so anxiously watch and wait for his recovery.

[Approved July 6, 1881.]
CHAPTER 110.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE PRESENTATION OF REPORTS AND STATUTES BY THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

State publications presented to the state of Minnesota.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the governor, in order to supply the loss incurred by the burning of the Minnesota state library, is hereby authorized to present to the state of Minnesota a full set of New Hampshire Reports, together with any digests and collections of statutes of which the state now possesses duplicate copies; and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant upon the treasurer for such sum as may be necessary to carry out this resolution.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]

CHAPTER 111.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE RELIEF OF THE ASHUELOT SAVINGS BANK IN WINCHESTER.

Preamble; state tax reduced fifty per cent.

WHEREAS, The assignee of the Ashuelot Savings Bank in Winchester made returns to the state treasurer that the sums standing to the credit of depositors in said bank on the first day of April, 1881, amounted in the aggregate to three hundred twenty-one thousand seven hundred five dollars and seventy-six cents, upon which sum the said savings bank is liable to pay a tax of one per cent. to the state; and

WHEREAS, Said bank has been shown to be insolvent, and has been prohibited by the supreme court from transacting business, and placed in the hands of an assignee; and it appearing that upon settlement of its affairs little if any more than fifty per cent. of the whole amount of its deposits will be realized; and

WHEREAS, It is unjust that the depositors should be taxed beyond the real value of their deposits; therefore,—

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the state treasurer be instructed and authorized to receive from the said Ashuelot Savings Bank in Winchester one per cent. upon the sum of one hundred sixty thousand eight hundred fifty-two dollars and eighty-eight cents, in full of all claim upon said bank for the current year.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]
CHAPTER 112.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE PAINTING OF THE FENCE AROUND THE DUSTON MONUMENT.

$20 appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of twenty dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the painting of the fence around and enclosing the Duston monument; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same, said sum to be expended under and by the direction of the governor.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 113.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

$300 for clerical expenses.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of three hundred dollars be allowed annually for two years for the clerical expenses of the adjutant-general's department, and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and that the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]


CHAPTER 114.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS' ASSOCIATION.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of three thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated, out of such funds as are not otherwise appropriated, to the New Hampshire Veterans' Association, for the erection of suitable barracks upon and fitting up the grounds of said association for the use of the veterans in their annual reunions and gatherings; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same. Said appropriation shall be expended and controlled by an agent appointed by the governor, and under his supervision and direction. And if at any future time said association shall cease to occupy said grounds for the purposes of said association, by reason of having become extinct or from other cause, the property shall revert to the state of New Hampshire. This resolution shall be in force upon its passage.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 115.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO PROCURING EQUIPMENTS FOR THE NEW HAMPSHIRE NATIONAL GUARD.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the governor is hereby authorized to procure such clothing and camp and garrison equipage and equipments as may be necessary to enable the New Hampshire National Guard to perform camp duty.

To enable the governor to carry into effect this resolution, the sum of ten thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]
CHAPTER 116.

JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING TO EXPRESS COMPANIES AND EXPRESSMEN CERTAIN TAXES PAID BY THEM UNDER CHAPTER SIXTY-THREE OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Preamble; taxes refunded.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That whereas chapter sixty-three of the General Laws, entitled "Taxation or licensing of express companies and expressmen," has been held by the supreme court to be unconstitutional; and whereas under said act taxes were assessed against certain express companies and expressmen for the years ending June, 1880, and June, 1881, and duly paid into the treasury; therefore,—

Resolved, That the several amounts so paid as taxes or licenses, with interest thereon from the time of payment, be refunded to said express companies and expressmen so paying such taxes or license; that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 117.

JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INQUIRY CONCERNING THE DESTRUCTION OF FORESTS, AND THE WISDOM AND NECESSITY OF FOREST LAWS.

Commission to inquire concerning destruction of forests.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the governor and such associates as he may appoint to act with him are hereby constituted a commission to institute an inquiry into the extent to which the forests of New Hampshire are being destroyed by the indiscriminate cutting of wood and timber for transportation to other states; also, into the effect, if any, produced by the destruction of our forests upon our rain-fall, and consequently upon our ponds and streams; and into the wisdom or necessity for the adoption of forest laws. Said commission shall serve without compensation or expense to the state, and shall make a report to the legislature, which shall be prepared at least sixty days before the session of June, 1883; and the state printer shall print for public distribution, under the direction of said commission, as many copies of such report as the commission may order.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAP TER 118.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN REFERENCE TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE GEOLOGICAL WORKS AMONG THE PUBLIC LIBRARIES OF THE STATE.

Distribution of State Geology.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the governor and council be and are hereby authorized to present to each public library in this state, as they in their discretion may think proper, one set of the Hitchcock geological works.  
[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAP TER 119.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS TO PAY FOR NEEDED REPAIRS ON THE STATE-HOUSE.

$1,500 appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury for the purpose of defraying the expense of necessary repairs upon the state-house; that the governor be authorized to draw his warrant therefor; and that the governor and his council superintend the laying out of said money, or so much thereof as may be needed to put the state-house in suitable repair; and if all of said sum is not so needed, then the unexpended balance shall be covered back into the treasury, and this resolution shall be in force upon its passage.  
[Approved July 29, 1881.]
Chapter 120

Joint Resolution in Favor of the Prisoners' Aid Association.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of four hundred dollars be appropriated for the use of the Prisoners' Aid Association during the coming two years; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same upon any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. [Approved July 29, 1881.]

Chapter 121

Joint Resolution in Favor of the State Normal School.

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 the State Normal School for the purpose of repairing the buildings, supplying water, and putting steam heating apparatus into the school building; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same. [Approved August 3, 1881.]

Chapter 122

Joint Resolution in Relation to the Distribution of Railroad Taxes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the state treasurer, in the distribution of railroad taxes the present year, be authorized to adjust all cases where appeals have been taken from the assessments of the State Board of Equaliza-
tion in previous years, and where a decision of the supreme court has been obtained upon the appellant's filing with the state treasurer an attested copy of the decision or judgment of the supreme court.

In the adjustment hereby authorized, the state treasurer, in all cases where by the decision of the supreme court it appears that the tax due in previous years is in excess of the sum paid, shall add such excess, with interest thereon from the time it was due, to the assessment of the present year, and treat the sum as the tax of the present year for the purposes of distribution; and in all cases where the supreme court has decided that the tax paid in previous years is in excess of the amount due, the state treasurer shall deduct such excess with interest from the time it was paid from the assessment of the present year, and treat the balance as the tax of the present year for the purposes of distribution.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]

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CHAPTER 123.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE PRESERVATION AND PUBLICATION OF PORTIONS OF THE EARLY STATE AND PROVINCIAL RECORDS AND OTHER STATE PAPERS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Editor of state papers to be appointed; papers to be published and distributed.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That his excellency the governor be hereby authorized and empowered, with the advice and consent of the council, to employ some suitable person—and fix his compensation, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated—to collect, arrange, transcribe, and superintend the publication of such portions of the early state and provincial records and other state papers of New Hampshire as the governor may deem proper; and that eight hundred copies of each volume of the same be printed by the state printer, and distributed as follows: namely, one copy to each city and town in the state, one copy to such of the public libraries of this state as the governor may designate, fifty copies to the New Hampshire Historical Society, and the remainder placed in the custody of the state librarian, who is hereby authorized to exchange the same for similar publications by other states.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]
CHAPTER 124.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF ERVILL A. WALTON.

$600 appropriated for injuries received in line of duty.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of six hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Ervill A. Walton, of Dover, for injuries received by him while in the discharge of his duty as a member of the New Hampshire National Guard, and for expenses consequent upon such injury; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]

CHAPTER 125.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO AN APPROPRIATION FOR FRANCONIA NOTCH ROAD IN THE TOWN OF LINCOLN.

$300 appropriated annually.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of repairing the road through Franconia Notch, so called, in the town of Lincoln, for the year 1881, and the same sum for the year 1882, and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended by an agent to be appointed by the governor and council for that purpose.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
CHAPTER 126.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS YEARLY, FOR THE YEARS 1881 AND 1882, TO REPAIR ROADS IN RANDOLPH.

$400 appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of four hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated to repair roads and bridges in the town of Randolph yearly, for the years 1881 and 1882; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same on any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

CHAPTER 127.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF MONEY FOR THE REPAIR OF ROADS THROUGH THE WHITE MOUNTAIN NOTCH AND VICINITY.

Fabyan's to Crawford House, $250; Crawford to Willey House, $350; Willey House to north line of Bartlett, $300.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That there is hereby appropriated for the purpose of repairing roads in the vicinity of the White Mountains, for the years 1881 and 1882, for each year, the following sums and for the following roads: For the main road between the Fabyan House and the Crawford House, two hundred and fifty dollars; for the road leading from the north line of Bartlett to the Willey House, three hundred dollars; for the road leading from the Willey House to the Crawford House, three hundred and fifty dollars—so much of said sums to be expended on said roads as the governor shall think necessary; and the governor may appoint an agent or agents to make such repairs, and is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said several sums.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
CHAPTER 128.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE DIXVILLE AND MILLSFIELD ROADS IN COÖS COUNTY.

$250 for Dixville and $50 for Millsfield roads.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of repairing the Dixville road in Coös county, the sum of fifty dollars for the repair of Millsfield road in Coös county, for the year 1881 and the same amounts for 1882,—said several sums to be expended by an agent or agents to be appointed by the governor, and to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

CHAPTER 129.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN APPROPRIATION TO REPAIR THE HIGHWAY LEADING FROM NEAR ERROL BRIDGE DOWN THE ANDROSCOGGIN RIVER TO THE EAST LINE OF DUMMER.

$600 appropriated for road in Errol.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of six hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the repair of the new highway leading from the old road near the dwelling-house of Luman H. Grover in Errol, down the Androscoggin river to the east line of Dummer; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same on any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
CHAPTER 130.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE BATTLE OF COWPENS, AT SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA.

Preamble; $250 appropriated.

Whereas, The centennial celebration of the brilliant victory of the American colonists on the field of Cowpens has been recently celebrated; and whereas, the original thirteen colonies have been requested to make a small contribution for the purpose of providing a suitable base for the monument erected upon the field; and whereas, all of the said colonies, with the exception of New Hampshire, have contributed for the purpose,—therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated as the contribution of New Hampshire for the purpose stated; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the treasury for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

CHAPTER 131.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN APPROPRIATION FOR REPAIRING THE HIGHWAY BETWEEN ERROL DAM IN ERROL, AND WENTWORTH'S LOCATION.

$200 appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of two hundred dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated from any sum in the treasury not otherwise expended, to be laid out in repairing the highway between Errol dam in Errol, and the south line of Wentworth's Location, for the years 1881 and 1882.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
CHAPTER 132.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE RELIEF OF PETER SANBORN, LATE STATE TREASURER.

Treasurer to cancel bonds and pay late treasurer.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the state treasurer be and hereby is authorized and directed to cancel on his books bonds Nos. 212, 282, and 283, each for one thousand dollars, due July 1st, 1869, and to pay to Peter Sanborn, late treasurer, the amount of said bonds, with interest to July 1st, 1881, on his giving a bond, to be approved by the governor and council, to indemnify the state should any of the above mentioned bonds be presented for payment.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 133.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF ANN COLE.

$100 appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated and is hereby allowed to Ann Cole, of Madbury, as a relief to her for loss incurred by reason of injuries done a horse of said Ann Cole, while in the service of Co. A, 2d Light Battery, at the annual muster at Concord, in September, 1880, and that the governor be authorized to draw his warrant for the same.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]
CHAPTER 134.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AT YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA.

Governor and staff requested to attend Yorktown centennial.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That his excellency the governor, accompanied by his staff, be requested to attend the celebration, in October next, of the one hundredth anniversary of the surrender of the British army at Yorktown, Virginia; and that he also be authorized to detail, to take part in such celebration, three companies of fifty men each, with officers appropriate to such a detachment, with a band, from the New Hampshire National Guard; and that in order to provide the necessary transportation and subsistence for the officers and soldiers so attending, the governor be and he hereby is authorized to draw his warrant upon the treasury for the requisite sums, not exceeding seven thousand dollars, the final accounts and vouchers for all expenditures to be audited and approved by the governor and council.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 135.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF SOLON A. CARTER.

$500 appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of five hundred dollars be allowed Solon A. Carter in full of his claim for clerical expenses in the registration of bonds and the rearrangement of the records and vouchers of the treasury department; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the payment of the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]
CHAPTER 136.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That in consequence of the largely increased labors of the state treasurer, by reason of the registration of state bonds and the payment of semi-annual interest on the same, and the performance of the duties of treasurer of the state prison, the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby annually appropriated for the clerical expenses of that department; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the payment of the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 137.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE PORTSMOUTH TRUST AND GUARANTEE COMPANY.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

WHEREAS, The Portsmouth Trust and Guarantee Company, doing business as a savings bank at Portsmouth, in our county of Rockingham, has, by reason of the foreclosure of mortgages taken as security for loans by it made, been compelled to invest in real estate situated in the state of Massachusetts a portion of its deposits and accumulations, amounting on the first day of April, 1881, to the sum of one hundred twenty-four thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight cents; and

WHEREAS, Said Trust and Guarantee Company is compelled to pay a tax upon said real estate in Massachusetts largely in excess of a sum equal to one per cent. upon the sum so invested; and

WHEREAS, Said real estate is generally unproductive, and said company intends to dispose of and sell the same as soon as it can reasonably do so,—

Resolved, That the tax of one per cent. upon said sum of one hundred twenty-four thousand eighty-two dollars and sixty-eight cents for the year 1881 be and the same hereby is remitted to said Portsmouth Trust and Guarantee Company, and the state treasurer is hereby directed to enforce the payment of one per cent. upon the balance of said company's deposits and accumulations only.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]
CHAPTER 138.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE CLAIM OF HORATIO McINTIRE.

Executive to audit and pay claim, if just.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the governor and council are hereby authorized to examine and audit the claim of Horatio McIntire for services rendered and money expended by said McIntire for the state; and if said claim or any part thereof be found due said McIntire, the governor is hereby authorized to pay the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, with interest thereon.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 139.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FIFTY DOLLARS ANNUALLY, FOR 1881 AND 1882, TO REPAIR THE HIGHWAY IN RANDOLPH.

$50 appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of fifty dollars annually, for the years 1881 and 1882, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the repair of the highway known as the Pinkham Notch road in the town of Randolph; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same upon any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]
CHAPTER 140.

Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint suitable persons to examine into the condition of insane in the County Alms-Houses in this State.

Commission to be appointed; their duties and compensation.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the governor, with the advice of the council, shall, on or before the first day of October next, appoint three competent persons, of whom one shall be a physician, one a lawyer, and the third a man of general business experience, whose duty it shall be to visit the several county alms-houses in the state, examine into the condition of every insane person there detained, and report to the governor and council, on or before the first day of May, 1883, the number, condition, the manner of care, and treatment of all such persons, together with such recommendations relative to a modification or improvement of the same as from their investigations they may deem necessary; which report, with such suggestions as he may think advisable, the governor shall cause to be printed and laid before the legislature at its next session.

The persons so appointed shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be paid their necessary travelling expenses from the treasury of the state.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 141.

Joint Resolutions relating to Fishways.

Sect. 1. Owners of dams on Contoocook river not required to build fishways: repealing clause.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Sect. 1. The owners of dams upon the Contoocook river shall not be required to build or maintain fishways for the period of two years, nor until the governor and council shall issue a proclamation that in their opinion the public good requires the building and maintaining of the same; and the owners of such dams shall be allowed six months from the date of such proclamation in which to erect and complete such fishways before they shall be
liable to any fine or action for neglect to build and maintain the same; and all acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 142.
JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF FRANKLIN P. KELLOM.

$8.54 appropriated to pay expense of proving right to seat in house.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of eight dollars and fifty-four cents be allowed Franklin P. Kellom, in full for expenses incurred in proving his right to a seat in this house; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the above sum.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 143.
JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF JOHN H. BEACHAM.

$87.30 appropriated to pay expense of contesting seat in house.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of eighty-seven dollars and thirty cents be allowed John H. Beacham for expenses incurred in contesting the right of Joseph Q. Roles to a seat in the house of representatives from the town of Ossipee, and that the governor be authorized to draw his warrant for the same.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 144.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF LEWIS W. HOLMES.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That Lewis W. Holmes be allowed the sum of one hundred dollars for acting as reporter in the senate during this session of the legislature, in accordance with a vote passed by the senate to that effect, and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 145.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF JOHN UNDERHILL AND OTHERS.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That John Underhill be allowed the sum of two hundred and eighty-seven dollars and twenty cents; George A. Dickey, two hundred and eighty-six dollars and sixty-six cents; Charles M. Horne, two hundred and ninety-four dollars; Norris A. Dunklee, two hundred and eighty dollars and twenty cents; Arthur F. Dennett, one hundred and sixty dollars and twenty cents; Charles W. Bickford, one hundred and sixty-three dollars and sixty cents; Charles E. Harrington, two hundred and forty dollars and twenty cents; William B. Fellows, two hundred and ninety-two dollars; Lyman S. Hayes, two hundred and ninety-six dollars; Arthur Greeley, two hundred and eighty dollars and twenty cents; John K. Stokes, three hundred dollars; J. Henry Nye, two hundred and eighty dollars and twenty cents; Charles T. Lane, two hundred and forty-one dollars and fifty cents; William A. Caswell, two hundred and seventy dollars and fifty cents; George A. Perkins, twenty dollars and seventy cents; Frank B. Sinclair, four dollars; George H. Bartlett, eighteen dollars and ninety cents; William E. Barrett, eighteen dollars; the Republican Press Association, five hundred and three dollars and seventy cents; John B. Clarke, five hundred and three dollars and seventy cents; Charles C. Pearson, five hundred and three dollars and seventy cents; the Union Publishing Company, five hundred and three dollars and seventy cents; Alpheus
W. Baker, eighty-seven dollars; Norman G. Carr, five dollars; H. H. Aldrich, sixty-two dollars and sixteen cents; John F. Scott, one hundred and one dollars and nine cents; G. H. H. Silsby & Son, two hundred and thirty-five dollars and fifty-nine cents; Edson C. Eastman, eighteen dollars and ninety-five cents; Frederick S. Crawford, eighteen dollars; Charles Spaulding, ninety-seven dollars and twenty-five cents; James Merrill, three hundred dollars; I. W. Hammond, two hundred dollars; and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 146.

JOINT RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE STATE LIBRARY.

Executive requested to have prepared plans for increased library accommodations.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the subject of enlarging the accommodations for the state library be referred to the governor and council, who are hereby requested to have prepared plans and estimates for a new state library building, or additions to the present state-house, and to submit their report to the next legislature.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 147.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF CHARLES G. EMMONS, JAMES E. DODGE, EDWIN F. JONES, AND LEWIS W. HOLMES.

Appropriations to pay for extra services of clerks and assistant clerks of senate and house.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That Charles G. Emmons, clerk of the house of representatives, be allowed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars; James E. Dodge, clerk of the senate, be allowed the sum of two hundred dollars; Edwin F. Jones, assistant clerk of the house, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars; and Lewis W. Holmes, assistant
clerk of the senate, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars, for extra services during the present year, the same to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the governor be authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 148.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF MONEY TO REPAIR THE MOOSILAUKE TUNNEL STREAM ROAD.

$75 annually appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of seventy-five dollars for the year 1881 and seventy-five dollars for the year 1882 be appropriated for the repair of the Moosilauke Tunnel Stream road, so called, in the town of Benton; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the payment of the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 149.

JOINT RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE DONATION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLICATIONS.

Special distribution of state publications.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the state librarian be and hereby is directed to send to the Smithsonian Institution at Washington, to Drury college at Springfield, Missouri, to the Hughes library at New Rugby, in Tennessee, one set each of Hitchcock's Geology of New Hampshire; and to the Chicago Historical Society one set each of Hitchcock's Geology of New Hampshire and the Provincial Papers of New Hampshire.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 150.

JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE REPAIRS ON THE STATE ARSENAL AT PORTSMOUTH.

$1,000 appropriated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That one thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of finishing the repairs already commenced upon the state arsenal at Portsmouth, under the direction of the governor, so that the same may be fitted for the use of the state as an armory and arsenal for the New Hampshire National Guard, said sum of one thousand dollars to be expended under the direction of the governor; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor upon any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 151.

JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A WATCHMAN FOR THE STATE-HOUSE.

$500 appropriated for a watchman.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the governor, with advice of the council, be authorized to appoint a suitable man as watchman and assistant to the keeper of the state-house, with a salary not to exceed five hundred dollars.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 152.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF JOHN W. ODLIN AND JOHN T. HULME.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of fifty dollars each be allowed John W. Odlin and John T. Hulme for services as reporters during the present session of the legislature; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 153.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING NATIONAL AFFAIRS.

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Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

Sect. 1. That in a republic the right to a free ballot (with the installation in office of those elected) is the right preservative of all rights, and must and shall be maintained in every part of the United States. It is the first, highest, and most sacred duty of the national government to prosecute and punish all crimes against suffrage with the utmost vigor, under all existing laws; of the national congress, to enact other and more effective statutes for the peace and purity of national elections; and of the whole people, by every possible means, to demand, secure, and maintain for every citizen the right to freely cast and have honestly counted his ballot, which, thus made effective, will preserve to him every other right of American citizenship.

Sect. 2. That universal popular education is essential to develop in the coming generations that intelligence and virtue which are the surest safeguards of free and republican government; and it is
therefore the duty of congress, by all apt means, to encourage the American common-school system, and, if necessary, to compel and aid in the establishment of unsectarian free schools in every state in the Union.

Sect. 3. That honesty as well as ability in administration is demanded by the people of their public servants; that the president and the heads of the departments are charged with the important duty of thorough investigation of all suspicions and complaints of corruption in the public service, and ought to expose and remove all officers who have been unfaithful to their trusts, and to punish, with all the power of the law and without discrimination, all persons, of whatever political party, and however rich or influential, who have defrauded the government.

Sect. 4. That the vast increase of lucrative federal offices to be disposed of by the president, the heads of the departments, and congress, requires that the evils growing out of official patronage should be lessened by law, and that practical reform in the civil service should not be delayed for the realization of impracticable theories, nor by controversies over doubtful projects for competitive examinations, life tenures, and pensions for retired officials, which are so likely to be found incompatible with republican government. As a beginning of practical reform, we urge the adoption of a law for expressing the length of his term of service in the commission of every public officer in every case where it is compatible with the character of his service, and making him irremovable during such term, except for unfaithfulness, incapacity, or inefficiency in the performance of duty.

Sect. 5. That we rejoice in the wise and successful financial administration of the government during the twenty years since the slaveholders' Rebellion began to lay its heavy burdens upon the country. To save the Union, the issue of legal tender notes and national bank currency, which depreciated in value; the imposition of heavy taxes, reaching to five hundred millions annually; and the creation of a debt of two thousand seven hundred and fifty millions of dollars, at a high rate of interest, calling for one hundred and fifty millions annually, were necessary, and were therefore cheerfully submitted to by a patriotic people. Since the close of the war, by maintaining the public faith inviolate against all advice or attempts to dishonor it, and by cherishing and developing our great national resources, we have been able to resume specie payments, and to make all our paper currency worth par in gold and silver, and absolutely secure; to reduce our annual taxes to three hundred millions, our debt to one thousand eight hundred and fifty millions, our rate of interest to three and one half per cent., and our annual interest charge to seventy millions, while the highest business prosperity has at last rewarded our financial patience, integrity, and honor. The experience of the eventful past will be an infallible guide in the future fiscal administration of the government.

Sect. 6. That protection to American industries by suitable and discriminating tariff laws is required for national prosperity and for the welfare of the American workingmen. This nation cannot have its full prosperity except it regulates its commerce with other
countries by the dictates of enlightened self-interest; nor can it have diversified industries unless it protects them against undue foreign competition. It has within its borders the raw material and skilled workmen sufficient to enable it to manufacture largely almost every article which human ingenuity has devised, or which its people can need. But our workmen, because intelligent, demand to be well paid, and will not work for the wages of the pauper laborers of Europe. To overcome this difference, protective tariff laws are needed and should be maintained, not for the benefit of the capitalist or employer, but in order that American laborers may be well rewarded, and comfort, contentment, and education may pervade their homes, by the intelligent and patriotic influences of which our free institutions are to be perpetuated.

Sect. 7. That the revival of ship-building, and the restoration to American ships of a fair share of our commerce with foreign ports, are necessary for our commercial interests and for national safety. During the Rebellion our ships were captured or driven from the ocean by confederate privateers built and fitted out in England. Large modern screw steamships, with vastly improved engines and machinery, also constructed in England, and aided by large annual payments from the treasuries of foreign nations, have seized the transportation business of the world, of which the most profitable share is the carrying trade to and from the ports of the United States. Thus, while possessing in abundant measure the iron, the coal, the timber, the labor, and the skill for building modern steamships, and requiring the transportation which should employ them, our flag has been driven from the ocean; and our great railroad lines, crossing the continent, built at large expense, and some with liberal assistance from the nation, deliver their profitable freight at our seaports to be carried three thousand miles and more in foreign steamships and for the profit of foreign ship-owners. With the great ocean highways of the world monopolized by English steamers, we cannot compete on equal terms in any foreign markets with our manufactured goods, not even in those so near as South America. And while we have no commercial marine, we can have no creditable or formidable naval vessels nor practised seamen, and should be powerless in any war to maintain our rights or our honor on the ocean. This national humiliation and disgrace should no longer continue, and we recommend judicious and appropriate national measures to secure the reappearance of the American flag in the commerce of the world.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 154.

JOINT RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE ENGLISHING CLERK.

$100 for extra clerk hire.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That the sum of one hundred dollars be allowed to the engrossing clerk for extra clerk hire during the session; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 155.

NAMES CHANGED.

The following changes of names have been legally made by the judges of probate in the counties where the persons reside, during the years from June, 1879, to June, 1881:

Rockingham County. Frank Mahan, Jr., of Derry, to Herbert F. Tebbetts; Phineas D. Reed, of Plaistow, to Phineas D. Britton; Horace Bunnell Kent, of Portsmouth, to Horace Penniman Kent; Willie Dean, of Salem, to Willie A. Palmer; Lillian Abbie Leach, of Seabrook, to Lillian Abbie Barton; Annie L. Locke, of Rye, to Annie L. Garland; Ida E. McKay, of Newmarket, to Ida E. Perkins; Abby F. Hodgdon, of Newmarket, to Abby F. Hall; Sarah E. Diman, of Newmarket, to Sarah E. Sinclair; Mary E. Rodman, of Newmarket, to Mary E. Conner; Rhoda B. Batchelder, of Raymond, to Rhoda B. Young; Teresa Ann Brown, of East Kingston, to Anna Teresa Bagley; Annie L. Jones, of Fremont, to Annie L. Smith; Joigen Joigenson, of Portsmouth, to John Johnson; Katie J. and Frank S. Gilmore, of Hampton, to Katie J. and Frank S. James; Helen F. Turner, of Portsmouth, to Helen F. Peck; Earnest Lancaster Beede, of Northwood, to Earnest Lancaster Sherman; Leonard O. Goodwin, of Salem, to Leonard O. Burrill.

Strafford County. Emma L. Horne, of Farmington, to Emma L. Parker; Julia Arlin, of Barrington, to Julia Capen; Charles Henry Leighton, of Farmington, to Henry Charles Leighton; Gracie La Forest Moore Wiley, of Dover, to Gracie La Forest Meserve; Thornton Frank Beecher, of Rochester, to Thornton Frank Sanborn; Edward Ellsworth Chamberlin, of Dover, to George Henry Osgood; Elmira A. Taylor, of Dover, to Elmira A. Ham; Samuel D. Taylor, of Dover, to Samuel D. Ham; Olive I. Taylor, of Dover, to Olive I. Ham; Bessie M. Cooley, of Dover, to Bessie M. Smith; Emma E. Brown, of Somersworth, to Emma E. Jones; Sarah E.
Pineo, of New Durham, to Sarah Elizabeth Dophenee; Emma E. Hatch, of Somersworth, to Emma E. Wentworth; Addie S. Trask, of Dover, to Addie S. Drew; Mary M. Taylor, of Barrington, to Mary M. Perkins; Ida M. Chase, of Dover, to Ida M. Holbrook; Clarissa Whitehouse, of Somersworth, to Clarissa Elwell; Mary Ann Riley, of Rochester, to Mary Ann Reynolds; Bernice May Palmer, of Dover, to Bernice May Ford; Hattie Z. Smith, of Farmington, to Hattie Z. Curtis; Mary Ann Mason, of Strafford, to Mary Ann Young; Stephen Young Mason, of Strafford, to Stephen Young; Arthur W. Walker, of Dover, to Arthur W. Simpson; Etta Susan Hurd, of Dover, to Etta Mary Paul; Laura Alice Fiske, of Barrington, to Laura Alice Felker; Abbie F. Gould, of Farmington, to Abbie F. Leeds; Ellen C. Drew, of Farmington, to Ellen C. Crosby; Michael Rohan, of New Durham, to George Frederick Rohan; Benjamin Franklin Foss, of Strafford, to Frank B. Foss; Isabella Giles, of Rochester, to Isabella Piercy.

Belknap County. Ida Blanche Dow, of Laconia, to Ida Blanche Sanborn; Augusta Cheever Rutman, of New Hampton, to Augusta Cheever Blodgett Putnam; Lulu Maud Rutman, of New Hampton, to Lulu Maud Putnam; Leonora M. Perkins, of Center Harbor, to Leonora M. Hawkins; Carrie L. Collins, of Gilmanton, to Carrie L. Gilman; Marianna Gray, of Gilford, to Marianna Webster; Ann R. Whiting, of Sanborn, to Annie M. Nelson; Edgar Leon Whiting, of Sanborn, to Leon Nelson; Willie E Barry, of Meredith, to Willie E. Lee; Clara I. Thompson, of Gilmanton, to Clara I. Ross; Sadie P. Thompson, of Gilmanton, to Sadie P. Ross; George H. Nelson, of Tilton, to George H. Gigar; George W. Graves, of Center Harbor, to George W. Benson; Lucy May Burley, of Laconia, to Lucy May Burley Garratt; Julius Augustus Tatham, of Gilford, to Julius Augustus Buzzell; Eliza T. Tilton to Eliza T. Melcher; Woodbury M. Tilton to Woodbury Melcher; Lydia P. Doe to Lydia P. Wiggan; George H. Wendover to Elmer F. Page.

Carroll County. Hannah J. Burbank to Hannah J. Rust; Eliza R. Burbank to Eliza R Rust; Abbie S. Floyd to Abbie S. Lord; Annie E. Carter to Annie E. Libby; Maria A. Carter to Nettie Libby; Carrie E. Churchill to Carrie Roberts; Alama Ardell Copeland to Dell Alama Banks.

Merrimack County. Rachel Ellen Thorndike to Nellie R. Thorndike; George Washington Cook to George Cook; Francis P. Messer to Frank P. Messer; George B., Annie E., and Florence E. Pecker to George B., Annie E., and Florence E. Packer; Lucy Maria Brown to Lucy Maria Marston; Mary E. J. Berry to Mary E. J. Harvey; Nancy A. Emery to Nancy A. Wheeler; Abbie S. Miller to Abbie S. Sherburne; Alice M. Young to Alice M. Eaton; Mary C. Higgins to Mary C. Caswell; Mary Isabel Higgins to Mary Isabel Caswell; Endocia H. Carroll to Edward H. Carroll; Lill M. Young to Lill M. Eaton; Alice M. Godfrey to Alice M. Durgin; Addie S. Gould to Addie S. Downs; Theresa M. Rand to Theresa M. Hayes; Charles H. Evans to Charles H. Heath; Alice M. Southmayd to Alice M. Haynes; Silas Bailey to John Silas Rollins; Orie L. Johnson to Orie L. Mussey; Alzina E. Greeley to Alzina Eaton; Chauncey Hoyt Giles to Chauncey Gile Jones; Annie L. Huntoon to Annie L. H. Knowles; Marietta Farwell to Grace
Frances Colby; Horace J. Clyde to Horace Claude Call; Florence Kirkpatrick Foster to Florence Kirkpatrick Foster Hall; Irving Lee to Irving Lee Pickering; Albert Wilson to Harry Frederick Gove; Mabel Gray to Mabel Blanche Cole; Jennie Belmana to Jennie M. Abbott; Fred R. Smith to Fred R. Mann; Lena D. Godfrey to Lena Durgin.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY. Mary E. Pleunley, of Manchester, to Mary E. Bailey; Ellen J. Twiss, of Nashua, to Ellen J. Jaquith; Sarah M. Finigan, of Manchester, to Sarah M. Hull; Luella Mary Finigan, of Manchester, to Luella Mary Hull; Etta J. Phillips, of Nashua, to Etta J. Lazelle; Rufus Ambrose Elliott, of Mason, to Ambrose Rufus Elliott; Wilfred Sylvester Tenney, of Peterborough, to Fred Sylvester Tenney; Willie Sylvanus Challis, of Manchester, to Willie Frank Challis; Melissa R. McCann, of Peterborough, to Melissa R. Petts; Sarah A. Chandler, of Nashua, to Sarah A. Baker; Manus McGlynn, of Nashua, to Charles McGlynn; Ella A. Winn, of Nashua, to Ella A. Hosford; Carosse Bly Smith, of Wilton, to Charles Bly Smith; Ardell B. Flanders, of Manchester, to Ardell B. Taylor; Mary E. Lewis, of Manchester, to Mary E. Preston; Sarah A. Ripley, of Nashua, to Sarah A. Menter; Nettie I. Downs, of Manchester, to Nettie I. Dickey; Nellie F. Flanders, of Manchester, to Nellie F. Batchelder; Edward Stevens Martin, of Nashua, to Charles E. P. Smith; Sula A. Lovejoy, of Nashua, to Lula A. Buzzell; Leona A. Lovejoy, of Nashua, to Leona A. Buzzell; William Samuel Aiken, of New Boston, to Fred Samuel Aiken.

CHESHIRE COUNTY. Myron Fassett Wilbur to Myron Fassett Chickering; Lottie M. Estabrook to Lottie Mabel Bemis; Lucena V. Howard to Lucena V. Foster; Nathan B. Hale (commonly known as Nathan B. Hayden) to Nathan B. Hayden; Allan S. Heath to Allan Heath Marsh; Ellen Moran to Ellen Gorman; Maria P. Nash to Maria Polly Russell; Lucy A. Frederick to Lucy A. Gibson; Alfred Buckingham to Alfred Buckingham Leach; Olive Maud George to Olive Maud Bennett; Parmelia E. Foss to Truth Fisher; Gracie May McKenzie to Gracie May Taft; Jennie May Houghton to Jennie May Dix; Belle Emmaroy Atwood to Belle Emmaroy Rugg; Flora L. Fairbanks to Flora L. Capron; Della M. Tyrrel to Della M. Fleming.

SULLIVAN COUNTY. Benjamin Thomas Sturtevant to Benjamin Thomas Harlow; Viola Bella Atwood to Viola Belle Fisk; Edgar H. Nash to Edgar H. Whitney; Earnest Edward Robins to Earnest Edward French; Franklin E. Pike to Frank Westley Pike; Laura E. Whitney to Laura E. Emerson; Helen M. Russell to Helen M. Merrill.

GRAFTON COUNTY. Eleanor A. Pressey to Eleanor A. Andrews; Estelle A. Hayward to Estella A. George; Allen Rogers Morrill to Allen Rogers Noyes; Annie Little Morrill to Annie Little Noyes; Sally T. Rollins to Sally T. Perkins; Mary Arabel Shepard to Mary Arabel Shepard Currier; Laura Augusta Hammond to Mary Augusta Glynn; Walter Elwin Aiken to Walter Elwin Sturtevant; Charles H. Blake to Charles H. Hart; Lillie Palmer to Lillie Palmer Atwood; Slater Owen to William S. Owen; Hattie Luella Mitchell, of Orford, to Hattie Luella Coolidge; Jennie Austin, of

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Lebanon, to Jennie A. Barstow; Elizabeth R. Jewell, of Lisbon, to Elizabeth R. Sanders; Luther Henry Pike, of Lebanon, to Henry Luther Pike; John Chester Pike, of Lebanon, to Chester John Pike; John B. McGregor, of Bethlehem, to John B. McGregor; Joseph E. Marshall, of Haverhill, to John E. Marshall; Addie M. Smith, of Littleton, to Addie M. Dunn; Walter C. Aiken, of Wentworth, to Walter C. Downing; Sarah D. Simpson, of Littleton, to Sarah D. Bass; George E. Bean, of Canaan, to George E. Flint; Emily Jane Barney, of Grafton, to Jennie Emily Maranda Walker.

Coos County. Infant son of Hiram G. and Anna Hicks to take the name of Lawrence H. Howland; Fred Cooper to Fred Beal Cooper; Ellery Webster Drew to John Webster Drew; William Brooks to William Estes Shedd; Ransom Twitchell to Ransom A. Twitchell; Wesley Wheeler to Wesley Walker Wheeler; Ida A. Cota to Ida A. Howe; Mary Abbie Tracy to Mary Abbie Hartshorn; Charles Dexter Smith to Charles Dexter; Addie May Dunn to Addie May Martin.
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CHAPTER 156.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A SIDE TRACK IN MANCHESTER BY THE CONCORD RAILROAD.

SeCT. 1. Extension of side track authorized.

SeCT. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SeCT. 1. That, for the accommodation of the land-owners adjoining, the Concord Railroad is hereby authorized to extend a side track from its present termination at the south side of Auburn street, over and along Franklin street and across Auburn and Cedar streets to the south side of Granite street, in Manchester.

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

[Approved July 1, 1881.]

CHAPTER 157.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TRUSTEES OF THE HOME FOR INDIGENT WOMEN, PASSED JULY 7, 1877.

SeCT. 1. Number of trustees may be increased.

SeCT. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

SeCT. 1. That said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to increase its number of trustees to any number not exceeding nine, by a vote of the majority of the present trustees at a
meeting duly called for that purpose, and the persons so chosen as trustees shall become members of said corporation, with all the rights, powers, and privileges conferred upon the trustees by the original act of incorporation.

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

[Approved July 1, 1881.]

CHAPTER 158.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE LONDONDERRY SOLDIERS' MONUMENT ASSOCIATION.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted; its powers and duties.

Corporation constituted; its powers and duties.

Sect. 2. Officers and by-laws.

Officers and by-laws.

Sect. 3. Treasurer and his duties.

Treasurer and his duties.

Sect. 4. Meeting—how called.

Meeting—how called.

Sect. 5. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That William S. Pillsbury, Reed P. Clark, Robert C. Mack, Washington Perkins, William Clark, William P. Nevins, Albert P. Colby, Andrew J. Benson, John W. Fling, and James G. Stone, their associates and successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Londonderry Soldiers' Monument Association, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a monument in the town of Londonderry in commemoration of the soldiers of said town who imperilled their lives in securing and maintaining the liberty of the country, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and shall be and hereby are invested with all the powers and privileges and made subject to all the liabilities of corporations of a similar nature, and may acquire and hold real and personal estate, by donation, devise, payment, or otherwise, for the purposes of said corporation, in addition to the monument proposed and the land appurtenant, to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars, and the same sell, convey, and dispose of at pleasure.

Sect. 2. Said grantees, at a meeting called as hereinafter provided, or at any adjournment thereof, may organize themselves into a corporation under this act, and such corporation may elect such officers, trustees, and managers as shall then be determined, and make such by-laws and regulations as are necessary and proper for the management of its affairs and the objects of the association, provided the same are not repugnant to law and the provisions of this act.

Sect. 3. The treasurer of the corporation or of the trustees, as may be determined, shall give bond with sureties for the faithful performance of his duty in such sum as the trustees or managers may determine, and his books of account shall be open to the
inspection of every member of the corporation and any subscriber to the fund for the erection of the monument.

Sect. 4. The before named William S. Pillsbury, Reed P. Clark, and Robert C. Mack, or any two of them, are authorized to call a meeting of the grantees of said corporation, at such time and place as they may elect, by giving notice by mail to each of the before named grantees, or by publishing a notice thereof in the Derry News fifteen days previous to the day designated for such meeting.

Sect. 5. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act, whenever in their opinion the public good may require it, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 1, 1881.]

CHAPTER 159.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-ONE OF THE PAMPHLET LAWS, PASSED JUNE SESSION, 1859, ENTITLED "AN ACT AUTHORIZING UNION SCHOOL-DISTRICT IN CONCORD TO ELECT A BOARD OF EDUCATION," PROVIDING A METHOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN SAID BOARD.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter two thousand two hundred and thirty-one of the Pamphlet Laws, passed June session, 1859, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "stead," in the nineteenth line of said section, the following: Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said board, it shall be filled by the election of a new member by ballot by the remaining members of the board, and the person so elected shall hold his office until the next annual meeting of said district.

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

[Approved July 1, 1881.]
CHAPTER 160.

AN ACT TO DISANNEX THE LAND OF JULIA A. TITCOMB, IN THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE, FROM SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER THREE, OF NEW IPSWICH, AND ANNEX THE SAME TO SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER TWO IN GREENVILLE.

Sect. 1. School district lines changed.
Sect. 2. Repealing clause.

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

Sect. 1. The land of Julia A. Titcomb, in the town of Greenville, which was formerly annexed to school-district number three of New Ipswich for school purposes, is hereby disannexed from said school-district number three of New Ipswich and annexed to school-district number two in the town of Greenville.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved July 1, 1881.]

CHAPTER 161.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS' ASSOCIATION.

Sect. 1. That Martin A. Haines, Frank E. Wasley, Natt Shacketford, Dana W. King, James E. Larkin, John C. Linniehan, Anthony C. Hardy, their associates and successors, be and are hereby made a body politic and corporate by the name of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association, for mutual relief, charitable, benevolent, and local purposes, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, may establish all necessary by-laws and regulations, and provide therein for the election of all such officers, their tenure of office and manner of election, as said corporation may deem necessary to carry out the intent of this act, and shall be vested with all the powers and
privileges and be subject to all the liabilities by law incident to corporations of such a nature.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may purchase, take, and hold by deed, lease, gift, devise, or otherwise, real and personal estate for the purposes of said corporation to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and may improve, use, sell, lease, and convey, or otherwise dispose of the same, at pleasure.

Sect. 3. That whenever said corporation, from any cause, shall become extinct and cease to exist as a corporation, then all the property, real, personal, or mixed, shall be and become the property of the state of New Hampshire, to be used and expended by said state for charitable purposes and none other.

Sect. 4. Any three of the above named corporators may call the first meeting of said corporation by publishing a notice of the time and place of said meeting in some newspaper printed in Concord at least two weeks before said meeting.

Sect. 5. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever the public good requires, and this act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]

CHAPTER 162.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE BIBLE SOCIETY," APPROVED DECEMBER 1, 1812.

Sect. 1. Property limitation.

Sect. 2. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the New Hampshire Bible Society be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to hold real and personal estate not exceeding fifty thousand dollars in amount.

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

[Approved July 7, 1881.]
CHAPTER 163.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE CONCORDIA LODGE, NO. 64, I. O. O. F., OF LISBON.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted; powers and duties.
Sect. 2. First meeting—how called.

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

Sect. 1. That Harry E. Parker, Ward P. Whitcher, Lucius A. Young, D. C. Moulton, Jenifer Moulton, Daniel M. Clough, and Lyman C. Payne, their associates and successors, be and they hereby are made a body politic and corporate by the name of Concordia Lodge, No. 64, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Lisbon, for such 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 execution, and shall be vested with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities of corporations of a similar nature, and may take and hold real and personal estate, by donation or otherwise, for the purpose of said corporation, to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars, and the same may sell, use, or dispose of at pleasure.

Sect. 2. The first three members named, or either of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation, by giving notice to each of the others named in said act, and to said lodge in open meeting, at least five days prior to said meeting.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]

CHAPTER 164.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE SAVINGS BANK IN CONCORD, APPROVED JUNE 25, 1830.

Sect. 1. Authority to purchase and hold real estate.
Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The New Hampshire Savings Bank in Concord is hereby authorized to purchase and hold so much real estate as shall be necessary or convenient for managing its affairs, provided that
such real estate held at any one time shall not exceed in value at the time of the purchase the sum of fifty thousand dollars; and so much of section three of the act to incorporate a provident institution for savings in the town of Concord, to be called the New Hampshire Savings Bank in Concord, approved June 25, 1830, as is inconsistent herewith, is hereby repealed.

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

[Approved July 7, 1881.]

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CHAPTER 165.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE STARR KING MOUNTAIN ROAD COMPANY.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted; its powers and privileges.

Sect. 2. May construct a turnpike.

Sect. 3. Settlement of damages for land taken.

Sect. 4. Capital stock.

Sect. 5. May erect toll-gates and collect tolls.

Sect. 6. First meeting—how called.

Sect. 7. Repealing clause.

Sect. 8. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Nathan R. Perkins, Alson L. Brown, Warren G. Brown, Joseph A. Dodge, Samuel N. Bell, and Benjamin H. Corning, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and hereby are made a body politic and corporate under the name of the Starr King Mountain Road Company, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities by law incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized to lay out, construct, and maintain a turnpike not exceeding six rods in width from such point on the Jefferson road in the town of Jefferson and county of Coos by such route and to such point on said Starr King mountain as may be deemed best by said corporation.

Sect. 3. If said corporation shall not be able to agree with the owners of land over which said road may be laid out upon the damages to be paid therefor, nor upon a committee to assess such damages, either party may apply by petition to the supreme judicial court for the county in which such land is situated, and said court, after due notice to the parties, shall refer the same to the county commissioners for said county, who shall upon due notice assess such damages and report the same to the said court, and judgment thereon shall be final and conclusive, unless either party elects at the term of court when said report is filed, and within ten days after the filing thereof, to go to the jury; and upon a trial by jury to ascertain the amount of said damages, such proceedings shall be had as are by law provided for in other highway cases.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of such number of shares, of the par value of one hundred dollars
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May erect toll-gates and collect tolls.

First meeting—how called.

Repealing clause.

Takes effect—when.

each, as said corporation may by its by-laws establish, the whole capital stock not exceeding thirty thousand dollars; and no assessment shall be made upon any shares to a greater amount than the sum at which the par value of each share shall have been fixed as aforesaid.

Sect. 5. Said corporation may build and own toll-houses, and acquire and hold land sufficient for that purpose, pursuant to the third section of this act, and erect gates across the path and road they are hereby authorized to construct, and are hereby granted a toll for their benefit upon all persons and teams or vehicles of any and every description which may pass on or over said road by them so constructed, at such rates as they may by their by-laws hereafter appoint and prescribe.

Sect. 6. Any two of the persons named in this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by a notice published in the Coös Republican, printed at Lancaster, in said county of Coös, at least fourteen days prior to said meeting.

Sect. 7. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever in their opinion the public good may require it.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]

CHAPTER 166.

AN ACT TO ALTER THE NAME OF THE CHILDREN'S HOME, OF PORTSMOUTH.

Sect.
1. Name changed.

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

Name changed.

Sect. 1. That the voluntary charitable association heretofore known and called by the name of "The Children's Home," in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, shall henceforth be known and called by the name of "The Chase Home for Children," in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Takes effect—when.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from its passage.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]
CHAPTER 167.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE LITTLETON & FRANCONIA RAILROAD COMPANY, BY EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ITS ROAD.

Sect. 1. Time for completing road extended.
Sect. 2. Repealing clause.

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

Sect. 1. The act incorporating the Littleton & Franconia Railroad Company, approved July 11, A. D. 1871, is hereby so far amended that the time for the completion and having the railroad contemplated in said act in condition for use of any and every portion of said railroad shall be extended five years from and after the first day of January in the year 1882.
Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.
Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage.
[Approved July 7, 1881.]

CHAPTER 168.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CONCORD & PORTSMOUTH RAILROAD TO CONSTRUCT A BRANCH TRACK TO THE CAMP-GROUND IN EPPING.

Sect. 1. Branch track may be constructed.
Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The Concord & Portsmouth Railroad Corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to locate and construct a branch track from some point near its depot at East Epping, in a northerly direction, crossing the highway leading from Epping Corner to South Newmarket, to some point within the grounds of the Hedding Camp-Meeting Association in Epping.
Sect. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
[Approved July 7, 1881.]
AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANCHESTER SOCIETY TO PREVENT CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
Sect. 2. Limitation as to real estate.
Sect. 3. First meeting.

Sect. 4. By-laws.
Sect. 5. Subject to repeal.
Sect. 6. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Frederick Smyth, Person C. Cheney, James A. Weston, Moody Currier, Nathan Parker, John B. Clarke, Aretas Blood, Thomas L. Livermore, William L. Kelley, Gilbert P. Whiting, Phinehas Adams, Jr., C. D. McDuffie, Edward G. Selden, Lewis Malvern, Natt Head, Benjamin C. Dean, Lorenzo Sears, Henry Powers, Luther F. McKinney, Charles R. Morrison, Charles Bradley, John H. Riedel, and Daniel K. White, their associates and successors, be and hereby are created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Manchester Society to Prevent Cruelty to Animals, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, use a common seal, and are hereby invested with all the powers, privileges, and immunities and made subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. Said society may hold real and personal estate which it may acquire by gift, purchase, or otherwise, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, and the same may keep, manage, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of or any part thereof at pleasure.

Sect. 3. Any three of the above corporators may call the first meeting of said corporation in such manner as may seem proper.

Sect. 4. Such corporation may make and establish such by-laws for its own government as may seem best to subserve the purposes for which said corporation is established, and to afford greater protection to animals, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state.

Sect. 5. The legislature may at any time amend or repeal this act.

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

[Approved July 7, 1881.]
CHAPTER 170.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANCHESTER SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATION.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted; its purpose and powers.

Sect. 2. Limitation as to real estate.

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

Sect. 1. That Edwin P. Richardson, William Little, Edward P. Sherburne, Walter M. Parker, Albert W. Bacheler, Gilbert P. Whitman, Lucian B. Clough, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and hereby are made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Manchester Scientific Association, for the purpose of promoting knowledge and skill among the members and the community at large: for the establishment of a museum of natural history; for a collection of mineral and geological specimens; and for the collecting and preserving works of art, both ancient and modern: with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, liabilities, and restrictions common to corporations of a similar nature, and they may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution.

Sect. 2. Said corporation shall have power to hold, by gift, grant, devise, bequest, purchase, or otherwise, real or personal estate not exceeding the value of fifty thousand dollars.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may adopt such rules and by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of this state, as they may deem proper.

Sect. 4. The three first named persons in this act may call the first meeting of this corporation by publishing a notice in some paper or papers printed in Manchester one week before the time of meeting.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [Approved July 7, 1881.]

CHAPTER 171.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE ROLFE AND RUMFORD ASYLUM, APPROVED JULY 3, 1872.

Sect. 1. Purposes defined.

Sect. 2. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The second section of the act to incorporate the Rolfe and Rumford Asylum shall be amended so that the charitable pur-
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poses of said corporation shall be the support and education of children who shall be natives of Concord, Merrimack county, preference being given to young females without mothers, these being the charitable purposes specified in will of the founder.

Sect. 2. So much of section two of said act as is inconsistent with this act is hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]

CHAPTER 172.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE NEWMARKET MANUFACTURING COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK.

Sect.
1. Corporation may increase capital stock.
2. May purchase and dispose of real estate.

Sect.
3. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The Newmarket Manufacturing Company is hereby authorized to increase the capital stock of said corporation from time to time as the stockholders may deem it expedient, to an amount not exceeding the sum of two hundred thousand dollars in addition to the amount now authorized by its act of incorporation.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, and to hold and enjoy, all such real and personal estate as may be necessary and convenient for establishing and carrying on the business authorized by its act of incorporation, and to sell and dispose of the same at pleasure.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved July 7, 1881.]
### CHAPTER 173.

**AN ACT TO LEGALIZE AND RATIFY THE ORGANIZATION OF THE SWIFT RIVER RAILROAD.**

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

Sect. 1. That the first meeting of the grantees of the Swift River Railroad Corporation for organization is hereby legalized and ratified.

Sect. 2. This corporation shall have and enjoy all the privileges and be subject to all the liabilities of railroad corporations in this state.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.  
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### CHAPTER 174.

**AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE FRANKLIN FALLS PULP COMPANY.**

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

Sect. 1. Warren F. Daniell, William A. Russell, George W. Russell, and Alonzo N. Burbank, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and hereby are made a body corporate and politic by the name of the Franklin Falls Pulp Company, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to establish and carry on, in the towns of Franklin and Northfield or either of them in this state, such various manufactures as it may from time to time desire in the improvement of the water-power on the Winnipiseogee river in said towns, and for that purpose may purchase, take, hold, and convey real and personal property not exceeding in value at any one time the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and manage, improve, and dispose of the same at pleasure.

Sect. 3. Either of the persons named in this act may call the First meeting.
first meeting of this corporation by giving three days' previous notice to each of the persons named therein.

Sect. 4. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]


CHAPTER 175.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AND AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER SEVENTY-NINE OF THE LAWS OF 1871, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF CONCORD TO ESTABLISH WATER-WORKS IN SAID CITY."

Sect. 1. City authorized to enlarge its water-works. May borrow money and levy taxes for that purpose.

Sect. 2. May make regulations to prevent pollution of waters.

Sect. 3. Takes effect—when.

Sect. 4. Takes effect—when.

Sect. 5. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Said city is hereby authorized and empowered to enlarge and improve its water-works from time to time as shall become necessary or desirable for the uses of its inhabitants, and for such purposes from time to time hereafter may take and appropriate any lands, waters, water, and other rights that may be deemed necessary and proper for such enlargement or improvements, in the same manner and upon the same terms provided for taking and appropriating land and other rights in the act afore-said, and parties aggrieved by any such taking and appropriation shall have the same rights of appeal as are therein provided for.

Sect. 2. Section six of the act to which this is an addition shall be construed to apply to any future enlargements or improvements of said water-works, and to authorize and empower said city to borrow money and levy and appropriate taxes as therein set forth for the purpose of making such enlargements and improvements, and of maintaining and operating the same.

Sect. 3. Said city is hereby authorized and empowered, through its city council, to establish all needful by-laws to prevent injury to its water-works and to any of the appurtenances thereof, and to prevent any defilement or pollution of the waters of any springs and ponds from which it now takes or shall hereafter take water for the use of said water-works, and of the water that enters its works, and may annex penalties, not exceeding twenty dollars for any single violation thereof, to be recovered and appropriated as provided in section twelve, chapter forty-eight of the General Laws.

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

[Approved July 21, 1881.]
CHAPTER 176.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PINE HILL HOTEL COMPANY.

Sect. 1. That Cyrus Eastman, Charles F. Eastman, Henry L. Tilton, J. Thomas Vose, Joseph A. Dodge, Peter Butler, Samuel N. Bell, Walter Aiken, Emmons Raymond, John H. George, Sylvester Marsh, Charles H. Greenleaf, Benjamin H. Corning, Alvah W. Solloway, and Warren F. Daniell, their associates, successors, and assigns, under the name and style of the Pine Hill Hotel Company, are hereby made a body corporate and politic, with all the rights, powers, and privileges usually conferred on corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. The capital of said corporation shall be one hundred thousand dollars, which may be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, par value.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may acquire and hold real estate in the town of Littleton in the county of Grafton, not exceeding in value the amount of its capital stock, and may improve and occupy the same, or sell and alienate it at its pleasure.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall be employed in the purchase of real estate as aforesaid, and in the erection and maintenance of hotels, cottages, and other structures, in the laying out of said lands, grading and improving the same, for the reception and entertainment of guests in said town of Littleton.

Sect. 5. The affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a board of five directors, to be elected annually.

The first meeting of said corporation shall be holden at such time and place, and may be called in such manner, as any three of the above corporators shall designate.

Sect. 6. The town of Littleton is hereby authorized at any town-meeting duly called, and by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting therein, to exempt from taxation, for a term of years not exceeding ten, any hotel and the appurtenances thereto, to be constructed in said town at an investment of not less than twenty thousand dollars by said corporation.

Sect. 7. The legislature may alter and amend or repeal this act whenever the public good requires the same.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]
CHAPTER 177.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PROPRIETORS OF THE PORTSMOUTH AQUEDUCT."

Sect. 1. Limitation as to real estate. | Sect. 2. Subject to repeal; takes effect—when.

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

Sect 1. That the proprietors of the Portsmouth Aqueduct may take and hold real estate to the value of fifty thousand dollars. Sect. 2. The general court may alter, amend, or repeal this act, whenever in their opinion the public good shall require; and this act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 178.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ELLIOT HOSPITAL OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted. | Sect. 4. First meeting. 2. Purpose; property; exemption from taxation. | Sect. 5. Subject to amendment. 3. By-laws, officers, etc. 6. Takes effect—when.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Elliot, late of Manchester in the county of Hillsborough, deceased, by her last will and testament devised certain of her estate in trust for founding and maintaining a hospital in said city for the benefit of sick and disabled persons, and made provision in her will for the election of trustees for the management of said estate, and that said trustees should become incorporated; therefore,—

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

Sect. 1. That Horace B. Putnam, mayor of the city of Manchester, and William J. Hoyt, president of the common council of said city, ex officis; Charles R. Morrison, chosen by the Hanover Street Congregational church; Isaac W. Smith, chosen by the Franklin Street Congregational church; Moses French, chosen by St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church; Joseph E. Bennett, chosen by the First Baptist church on Concord street; Harvey B. Sawyer, chosen
by the Pine Street Freewill Baptist church; and Benjamin C. Dean, chosen by the Episcopal church on Lowell street, known as Grace church, trustees under said will, and their successors in office, be and shall be a corporation under the name of the Elliot Hospital of the city of Manchester, and by such name may sue and be sued, and acquire and hold property as provided by this act; and any one ceasing to be a trustee under said will shall thereby cease to be a corporator under this act.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to establish and maintain in the city of Manchester an institution for such nursing, care, support, and medical and surgical treatment of sick and disabled people, as are usually provided and furnished by similar institutions; and for such purposes acquire and hold by lease, purchase, donation, deed, will, or otherwise, real and personal estate not exceeding in value five hundred thousand dollars; and said institution being in the nature of a public charity, its property shall be exempted from taxation.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may establish and adopt a constitution and by-laws, rules and regulations, as provided by said will, and from time to time alter the same, choose honorary members, constitute officers, committees, agents and sub-agents, and servants, as provided by said will; and have and exercise all the powers and privileges incident to corporations of like nature, and not contrary to said will or the constitution and laws of this state.

Sect. 4. The first meeting of said trustees for the acceptance of this act may be called by said Putnam, mayor of said city, or by said Bennett, clerk of said board of trustees, by giving notice in writing to each of the persons named in this act five days at least prior to said meeting.

Sect. 5. The legislature may alter or amend this charter whenever in their opinion the public good may require it.

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

[Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 179.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CONCORD & CLAREMONT (N. H.) RAILROAD TO CONSTRUCT A BRANCH TRACK NEAR THE NEW STATE PRISON.

Sect. 1. Branch track may be constructed. Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The Concord & Claremont (N. H.) Railroad is hereby authorized and empowered to locate and construct a branch track, from some point on its track, running to the yard of the new state
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prison, across land belonging to the state, to the granite quarries on the south-easterly side of Rattlesnake hill, all in the city of Concord: Provided, however, that the location of the same be approved by the railroad commissioners.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage. [Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 180.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CONNECTICUT WATER-POWER AND LUMBER COMPANY OF DALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Sect.
1. Corporation constituted.
2. Objects and powers.
3. Limitation as to real estate.

By-laws
5. Officers.
6. First meeting.
7. Subject to repeal; takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Alson L. Brown, Warren G. Brown, Nathan R. Perkins, Benjamin H. Corning, Ossian Ray, C. W. King, George R. Eaton, Isaac Bowman, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Connecticut Water-Power and Lumber Company of Dalton, New Hampshire, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities provided or imposed in similar corporations in this state.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to erect and maintain dams across the Connecticut river in said Dalton for the purpose of creating water-power for manufacturing purposes, and to use, lease, or sell the same for the same purposes, and to build and maintain suitable piers, booms, holdfasts, and other appliances convenient and necessary to hold and keep safely manufactured and unmanufactured timber and lumber, provided that said dams shall be built with proper and suitable gates, sluices, and raceways, and said piers, booms, holdfasts, and other appliances shall be built so as not to interfere unreasonably or improperly with the floating of timber down said river, or the use of said river for the purposes of navigation, or the use thereof as a public highway.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may acquire and hold, by gift or purchase, and dispose of at pleasure, real estate to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars.

Sect. 4. The capital stock shall be not less than fifty thousand dollars, and may be increased at the pleasure of said corporation to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, and the same shall be divided into shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each.
Sect. 5. Said corporation may make such by-laws, consistent with the constitution and laws of the state of New Hampshire, as may be necessary for its own government, the management of its property, and the orderly conduct of its affairs, and may alter or amend the same when deemed necessary.

Sect. 6. The officers of said corporation shall be a president, clerk, and as many directors, not less than five, whereof the president shall be one, as the by-laws adopted by said corporation may require.

Sect. 7. A majority of said corporators may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving fourteen days' notice of the time and place of said meeting to the other corporators, and by printing said notice three weeks successively before the day of said meeting in the Coos Republican, printed at Lancaster.

Sect. 8. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act when in their opinion the public good requires it; and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 181.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE APTHORP RESERVOIR COMPANY BY INCREASING ITS CAPITAL STOCK.

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

Sect. 1. The Apthorp Reservoir Company of Littleton is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock to thirty thousand dollars; and, for so much of the expense of constructing and completing the water-works of said company as shall be met by loans on the credit of the company or its stockholders, a corresponding deduction shall be made in the inventory of the stock or property of the said company in said town; and the assessors shall increase the inventory of said stock or property, from year to year, in proportion to the reduction that shall have been made by said company in said indebtedness.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

[Approved July 21, 1881.]
CHAPTER 182.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UNION OF THE NORTHERN RAILROAD AND THE CONCORD & CLAREMONT (N. H.) RAILROAD.

SECT.
1. Railroads authorized to unite.
2. Certified copies of votes of union to be filed—when.

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

SECT. 1. The Northern Railroad is authorized to unite with the Concord & Claremont (N. H.) Railroad on such terms and conditions and with such guaranties as may be mutually agreed upon by said corporations at meetings of the stockholders thereof duly called. The name of the united corporation thus authorized shall be the Northern Railroad, and said corporation shall have and enjoy all the franchises, powers, privileges, property, and rights of every kind belonging to said Northern Railroad and to said Concord & Claremont (N. H.) Railroad, or either of them, and shall assume all the duties, debts, and liabilities of said corporations.

SECT. 2. Whenever said corporations shall vote to unite as aforesaid, copies of the votes of the stockholders forming such union, certified by their respective clerks, shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state, and also with the board of railroad commissioners.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage. [Approved July 21, 1881.]

CHAPTER 183.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME AND AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE WHITE RIVER FALLS COMPANY, PASSED AT THE JUNE SESSION, 1848.

SECT.
1. Name changed, etc.

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

SECT. 1. That the name of said corporation shall be the "Olcott Falls Company" instead of White River Falls Company, as provided in said charter, and said corporation is hereby authorized to improve the water-power on the Connecticut river in the town of Lebanon in this state, and carry on such various manufactures as it may from time to time desire.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [Approved July 21, 1881.]
CHAPTER 184.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE HIGHWAY TAX IN THE TOWN OF SANDWICH FOR THE YEAR 1881.

Sect.
1. Assessment of tax legalized.

| Sect.
2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the action of the town of Sandwich, at a special meeting duly holden on March 31, A. D. 1881, for the purpose of raising the usual highway tax, is hereby ratified and confirmed; and all the doings of the officers of said town, in relation to the assessment, inventory, and collection of said tax, are hereby ratified, confirmed, and legalized.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.  
[Approved July 21, 1881.]

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CHAPTER 185.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CHESHIRE COUNTY MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Sect.
1. Annual meetings to be held at Keene.

| Sect.
2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Section three of chapter fifty-five of the Laws of 1825, incorporating the Cheshire County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, is hereby amended by striking out the word "Walpole" in said section, and inserting in place thereof the word Keene.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.  
[Approved July 22, 1881.]
CHAPTER 186.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MOOSILAUKE MOUNTAIN ROAD COMPANY.

SECT. 1. Corporation constituted.
1. Corporation constituted.
2. Empowered to construct roads from three differ-ent points to top of mountain. 3. Damages for land taken—how assessed. 4. Capital stock, directors, and officers. 5. Toll-gates and tolls.

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

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby empowered to lay out, con-struct, and keep in repair a bridle-path and carriage-road from such point in the vicinity of the dwelling-house of Amos Merrill in the town of Warren in the county of Grafton as they may deem most favorable, to the top of said Moosilauke mountain, by such route and in such direction as they may deem best; and may in a similar manner also lay out, construct, and keep in repair a bridle-path and carriage-road from such point in the vicinity of the Tunnel Stream road, so called, in the town of Benton in said county to the top of said Moosilauke mountain; and in a similar manner may lay out, construct, and keep in repair a bridle-path and carriage-road from such point in the vicinity of the High Street school-house, so called, in said Benton to the top of Moosilauke mountain.

SECT. 3. If said corporation shall not be able to agree with owners of land not owned by said corporation, over which said path and road may be laid out, upon the damages to be paid therefor, or if said corporation cannot agree with such owner upon a committee to assess such damages, either party may apply by petition to the supreme court for the county of Grafton, and said court, after due notice to the parties, shall refer the same to the county commissioners for said county, who shall, upon due notice, assess such damages and report the same to said court, and judgment upon said report shall be final and conclusive between the parties. Said corporation shall not, however, enter upon any land to con-struct said path and road until the damages assessed to the owners thereof shall have been paid or tendered, except in cases men-tioned in the fifth section of chapter seventy of the General Laws,
and no person shall be entitled to an action for such damages until after such entry has been made upon his land.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of such number of shares as may be determined by the directors, not exceeding in par value one hundred dollars each, and the whole capital stock shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars, and no assessment shall be made upon any share to a greater amount than the sum at which the par value or price of each share shall have been fixed as aforesaid. And the immediate direction and government of said corporation shall be vested in five directors, who shall be chosen by the stockholders or members hereinafter provided, and shall hold their office until others are duly elected and qualified in their stead; and said directors, a majority of whom shall form a quorum for the transaction of business, shall elect one of their number to be president of the board and of the corporation; and said directors shall elect a clerk, who shall also be clerk of the corporation, and who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of his office; they shall choose a treasurer, who shall give bonds in such sum as the directors may elect for the faithful discharge of his duties; and they shall also choose such other officers and servants as may from time to time be necessary, and fix their salaries.

Sect. 5. Said corporation may build and own toll-houses and erect gates across the paths and roads they are hereby authorized to construct, and the directors thereof shall appoint such toll-gatherers as may be necessary to collect the rates and tolls provided by this act, which toll-gatherers shall have authority to stop any person or persons passing through said gates until they have paid rates of tolls which are hereby established per mile as follows: namely, for each foot passenger, two cents; for each person on horseback, three cents; for each person in a carriage, five cents; for every horse not attached to any vehicle, two cents; for every sulky, chaise, or chaise [chair], with horse and two wheels, four cents; for every pleasure-wagon or covered buggy for two persons, with four wheels, four cents; for every coach, chariot, stage, phaeton, or chaise, with two horses and four wheels, six cents; for either of the carriages last named, with four horses, eight cents; for every other carriage of pleasure, the like sums according to the number of wheels and the horses drawing the same; and if any person, by himself or with his carriage, horse, or horses, shall turn off from said roads to pass the gates of said corporation on grounds adjacent thereto with a view to avoid the payment of the tolls required by this act, such person shall forfeit and pay to the use of said corporation three times the amount the legal tolls would be, upon conviction before any justice of the peace in the county where the offence is committed, upon complaint made by any toll-gatherer of said corporation.

Sect. 6. Said corporation may build and own stables, barns, and any other buildings necessary and suitable for the purposes of building and supporting said roads and running the same, and making the said road available for the purposes contemplated in said act.

Sect. 7. The annual meeting of the members or stockholders of the corporation shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by the board of directors.
the corporation shall be held on the day prescribed in the by-laws, at such place in the state as the directors for the time being shall appoint, or as the by-laws may prescribe, at which meeting the directors shall be chosen by ballot. The directors may call special meetings of the stockholders whenever they shall deem it expedient, giving such notice thereof as the by-laws may direct. Any three of the persons named in this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by a notice in the Lisbon Globe, a paper published in Lisbon in the county of Grafton, at least ten days before such meeting, at which meeting the members or stockholders may choose the directors of said corporation, shall provide for the mode of calling future meetings, and at such time, or at any subsequent meeting duly called for the purpose, may establish such by-laws, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the state, as may be necessary for the regulation and government of the corporation and for carrying into effect its provisions.

Sect. 8. Chapter sixty-three, Pamphlet Laws of June session, 1870, is hereby repealed.

Sect. 9. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act, whenever they deem it necessary.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved July 22, 1881.]

CHAPTER 187.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANCHESTER CHEMICAL MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted. | Sect. 2. Subject to repeal.

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

Sect. 1. That Waterman Smith, Frederick Smyth, Charles F. Morrill, John Porter, Joseph B. Clark, Thomas Wheat, F. B. Eaton, David Cross, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby made a body corporate and politic by the name and style of Manchester Chemical Manufacturing Company, located in the city of Manchester and state of New Hampshire, and for this purpose are invested with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities provided by law for similar corporations: and said corporation may purchase, hold, and manage real estate and personal property not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars

Sect. 2. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever in their opinion the public good may require it.

[Approved July 22, 1881.]
CHAPTER 188.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PLYMOUTH AQUEDUCT AND WATER COMPANY.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
1. Corporation constituted.
2. Capital stock.
3. Annual meeting; directors.
4. May hold real estate; may take land for its purposes.
5. And ponds, springs, etc.; damages, how settled.

Sect. 6. May contract with fire precinct to furnish water, etc.
6. May contract with fire precinct to furnish water, etc.
7. First meeting; officers; by-laws.
8. Subject to repeal; takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That James F. Langdon, Woodbury F. Langdon, Joseph A. Dodge, Alvin Burleigh, Charles A. Jewell, John Mason, and Joseph Burrows, and their associates, successors, and assigns, shall be and are hereby made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Plymouth Aqueduct and Water Company, for the purpose of bringing water into the village of Plymouth in the town of Plymouth in subterranean pipes, 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 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 be from time to time determined by the directors of said corporation, not exceeding in the whole the sum of forty thousand dollars.

Sect. 3. The annual meeting of said corporation shall be holden at such time and place as may be prescribed by the by-laws or appointed by the directors, at which meeting not less than three nor more than seven directors shall be chosen by ballot. The directors may call special meetings of the corporation whenever they shall deem it necessary, giving such notice as the by-laws may prescribe.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is empowered to purchase and hold, in fee simple or otherwise, any real and personal estate necessary for the carrying into effect the purposes of this act not exceeding in value ten thousand dollars at the time of the purchase; 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 corporation to pass, be, or exist, for the purpose of placing said pipes, water-works, and such other material as may be deemed necessary for building said water-works; and to re-lay and repair the same, subject to such regulations as to the safety of the citizens and security of the public travel as may be prescribed by the selectmen of the town of Plymouth.
Sect. 5. Said corporation is authorized to enter upon and appropriate any springs, streams, or ponds not belonging to any aqueduct company, and to secure such springs, streams, or ponds by fences or otherwise; and dig ditches, make excavations 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, other materials, or works as may be necessary for building and operating such water-works or repairing the same: Provided, that if it shall be necessary to enter upon and appropriate any springs, streams, or ponds, or any land, for the purpose aforesaid, or to raise or lower the level of the same, and said corporation shall not be able to agree with the owners thereof for the damages that may be done by said corporation, or the owners shall be unknown, either party may apply to the supreme court, at the trial term in the county of Grafton, 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 now provided by law for laying out highways. Said commissioners shall make report to said court, and said court may issue execution therein 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.

Sect. 6. Said corporation may make any contract with the fire precinct of said Plymouth village, or with such other persons or corporations as may be deemed necessary by the directors, to furnish water, hydrants, and other means and apparatus for extinguishing fires, and for such other purposes as may be deemed necessary; and said fire precinct is authorized to subscribe for so much of the stock of said corporation not exceeding one third part of the same as may be determined by said fire precinct at a legal meeting thereof, duly notified and held for that purpose, or to contract with said corporation for the use of water, hydrants, and other apparatus for extinguishing fires and for other purposes, and may raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

Sect. 7. Any two of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by giving a notice in writing to each of the corporators of the time and place of meeting at least seven days before the day of meeting, or by notice published in some newspaper published in said Plymouth at least fourteen days before said meeting; and at said meeting or any adjourned meeting thereof, or at any subsequent meeting duly called, associates may be admitted and all proper officers chosen, the number and par value of shares fixed, and such by-laws and regulations adopted as may be deemed necessary to carry into effect the business of the corporation.

Sect. 8. This act may be altered, amended, or repealed whenever the public good requires, and shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved July 22, 1881.]
CHAPTER 189.

AN ACT TO SEVER CERTAIN PERSONS FROM SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER FIVE IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM, AND ANNEX THE SAME TO DISTRICT NUMBER ONE IN THE TOWN OF NEWMARKET.

Sect. 1. School-district lines changed.
Sect. 2. Repealing clause.
Sect. 3. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Thomas J. Haines, Samuel R. Smith, Charles H. Wiggin, Lafayette Hall, Herbert E. Hall, Charles H. Floyd, Edwin B. Atherton, Charles F. Pendergast, Daniel C. Hall, Lafayette M. Hall, James R. Stott, Isaac Pendergast, and Robert B. Stott, all being residents of the town of Newmarket, shall be and hereby are severed from school-district number five in the town of Durham, and annexed to school-district number one in the town of Newmarket.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

[Approved July 22, 1881.]

CHAPTER 190.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE DODGE'S FALLS DAM AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
Sect. 2. May construct dams, piers, etc.
Sect. 3. Limitation as to real estate.
Sect. 4. Capital stock.
Sect. 5. By-laws.
Sect. 6. Officers.
Sect. 7. First meeting.
Sect. 8. Subject to repeal; takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Alexander M. Beattie, Benjamin H. Corning, Jonas Powers, Andrew J. Congdon, and Thomas S. Underwood, all of Lancaster in the county of Coös; Thomas G. Beattie, of Brunswick, Vermont; Thomas Nelson, of Ryegate, Vermont; and Jeremiah Willard, of Stratford in the county of Coös, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Dodge's Falls Dam and Manufactur-
Provided, and Limitation to By-laws.

May construct dams, piers, etc.

Limitation as to real estate.

Capital stock.

By-laws.

Officers.

First meeting.

Subject to repeal; takes effect—when.

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The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act when in their opinion the public good requires it; and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 22, 1881.]
CHAPTER 191.

AN ACT LEGALIZING AND CONFIRMING THE DATE [VOTE] OF A SPECIAL TOWN-MEETING OF THE TOWN OF LANCASTER.

Sect. 1. Vote legalized.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the vote of the special town-meeting of the town of Lancaster, held on the twenty-eighth day of May, 1881, relating to the purchase, conveyance, and lease of a plot of land for hotel purposes, be and the same hereby is legalized and confirmed.

Sect. 2. That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 192.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE PEMIGEWASSET VALLEY RAILROAD.

Sect. 1. Organization legalized.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The organization of the Pemigewasset Valley Railroad heretofore made by the grantees is hereby ratified and confirmed, and said corporation shall have and enjoy all the rights and privileges and be subject to all the duties and liabilities of other corporations of a similar nature in this state.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]
CHAPTER 193.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE LEBANON WOOLEN COMPANY.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
Sect. 2. Objects; location; estate.
Sect. 3. Capital stock.

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

Sect. 1. That Samuel W. Hale, Francis French, Warren W. Mason, Martin Buck, and Francis A. Cushman, and their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby made a body corporate and politic forever, by the name of the Lebanon Woollen Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and shall be and hereby are vested with all the powers, privileges, and immunities, and subject to all the liabilities, of corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. The said corporation is hereby empowered to establish, manage, and carry on the business of manufacturing cotton, woolen, linen, paper, or other goods, or any of the various branches of manufactures or of the mechanic arts that may be conveniently or necessarily connected therewith, at Lebanon in the county of Grafton, and for that purpose may purchase, have, and hold such personal and real estate as may be found necessary and proper for the business hereby authorized, and the same may sell, alienate, and dispose of at pleasure.

Sect. 3. The capital stock of the corporation shall not exceed fifteen hundred shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each, the number of such shares to be determined by the grantees at their first meeting, and may be increased from time to time by the directors, not exceeding in the whole the amount herein limited.

Sect. 4. Samuel W. Hale and Francis French, or either of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving each of their associates named herein notice in writing of the meeting at least seven days prior thereto, at which, or any future meeting, such by-laws, rules, and regulations not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state may be adopted, such officers chosen, and all such other matters and things done and transacted as may be necessary to the organization of said corporation and its future operations for the full enjoyment of the rights and privileges hereby granted.

Sect. 5. Any future legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this charter whenever in their opinion the public good shall require it.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]
CHAPTER 194.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE EAST NORTHWOOD SAVINGS BANK.

Sect. 1. Corporation, location, powers, &c.
Sect. 2. May receive deposits and make rules for the management of the same.
Sect. 3. Provision as to real estate.
Sect. 4. Compensation of officers and agents.

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

Sect. 1. That Samuel F. Leavitt, Elbridge G. Boody, Richard Hoitt, Hollis J. Clark, Lewis E. Kimball, Luther Tasker, Charles Hill, Charles A. Hill, Jonathan K. Hoitt, John Bennett, Walter B. Dow, Philip Hoitt, George W. Knowles, Charles E. Cate, George T. Sherburne be and are constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the East Northwood Savings Bank, which bank shall be located in the town of Northwood in this state, at the easterly part of said town; and they, and such other persons as shall be duly elected and admitted members of said corporation at regular meetings thereof according to such by-laws as may hereafter be established, shall be and remain a body corporate and politic by said name, and are and shall be invested with all the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to all the duties and liabilities, which are or may be incident to corporations of like nature by the laws of this state.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may receive, from any person or persons disposed to enjoy the advantages thereof, any deposit or deposits of money, and may use, manage, and improve the same for the benefit of the depositors in such manner as shall be convenient or necessary for the security and profitable investment thereof; and all deposits may be withdrawn, and the net income or profit of the deposits divided at such reasonable times and in such manner and proportion and subject to such equitable rules and regulations as said corporation shall from time to time limit and appoint, agreeably to the laws of the state.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may take and hold such real estate as shall be convenient in transacting the business thereof, but not exceeding five thousand dollars in value at any one time, and said corporation further may take and hold and dispose of such real estate as may in good faith be received by them by the way of security or payment for loans made by them, or for any debts, demands, or liabilities which may be owing or accruing to said corporation.

Sect. 4. Said corporation shall not issue any bill or promissory note to circulate as currency; nor shall the members or officers of said corporation receive any profit or emolument from said savings bank: Provided, however, that a reasonable compensation may
from time to time be made to the treasurer, secretary, and agents of said corporation for services actually rendered.

Sect. 5. Said corporation may from time to time make such by-laws, rules, and regulations for its government and for the management of the business thereof as shall not be inconsistent with this act and the laws of this state.

Sect. 6. The books and accounts of this corporation shall be at all times subject to the inspection of the governor and council, the bank commissioners, or other officers appointed by either branch of the legislature for this purpose; and the legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Sect. 7. Samuel F. Leavitt, Elbridge G. Boody, and Richard Hoitt, or any two of them, may call the first meeting of this corporation at such time and place and in such manner as they may think proper.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 195.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MOUNT LAFAYETTE RAILROAD.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
2. May construct a mountain railway.
4. Tolls: powers vested in directors.

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

Sect. 1. Sylvester Marsh, Emmons W. Raymond, Thomas A. Vose, John A. White, John H. Barron, Joseph A. Dodge, and Charles R. Corning, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Mount Lafayette Railroad, with all the rights, powers, and privileges and subject to all the liabilities, duties, and restrictions set forth in the General Laws which now or may be hereafter in force relating to railroad corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized and empowered to locate and construct a railway of which said Sylvester Marsh is the inventor,—being a three-railed railway, and similar to the one now located and built to the top of Mount Washington,—from some point near the Profile House in Franconia to the top of Mount Lafayette.
Sect. 3. The capital stock of this corporation shall consist of not more than fifteen hundred shares of one hundred dollars each.

Sect. 4. A toll is hereby granted to said corporation upon all persons and property which may be transported by said railroad, at such rates as may from time to time be determined by the directors; and all the powers herein granted to this corporation, relating to the locating, constructing, and maintaining said railroad, are hereby vested in the directors of this corporation for the time being.

Sect. 5. Any two persons named in this act may call the first meeting of the grantees by publishing notice of the time and place of meeting, in some newspaper published in the county of Merrimack, two weeks before the day named for said meeting.

Sect. 6. This act shall be void as to all parts of railroad line herein named not constructed or completed within ten years from the passage hereof.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 196.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF "AN ACT CONSTITUTING THE PORTLAND & ROCHESTER RAILROAD COMPANY A CORPORATION WITHIN THIS STATE," APPROVED JULY 2, 1866.

Sect. 1. Corporation authorized to lease or sell its property.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The Portland & Rochester Railroad Company, incorporated by the legislature of the state of Maine, is authorized and empowered to sell or lease to the Portland & Rochester Railroad, another corporation created by the laws of Maine, its railroad, property, privileges, franchises, and immunities in this state, on such terms as said corporations may agree, and may be by them deemed expedient, subject, however, to the payment of all the liabilities of the Portland & Rochester Railroad Company, and to the liabilities and duties which now are or may hereafter become incident to corporations of a similar nature by the laws of this state.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]
CHAPTER 197.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE AN ACADEMY IN THE TOWN OF LONDONDERY BY THE NAME OF THE PINKERTON ACADEMY IN LONDONDERY," APPROVED JUNE 15, 1814.

SECT. 1. Limitation of real and personal estate.

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

SECT. 1. That said act of incorporation be and hereby is amended by striking out the word "three" next preceding the word "thousand," and inserting instead thereof the word ten, and by striking out the word "eight" next preceding the word "thousand," and inserting instead thereof the word fifty, so that said corporation shall be authorized to hold real estate to an amount whereof the annual income shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, and personal estate to an amount whereof the annual income shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars.

[Approved July 27, 1881.]

CHAPTER 198.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE DOVER SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

SECT.
1. Corporation constituted.
2. Limitation as to real estate.
3. First meeting.

SECT.
4. By-laws.
5. Subject to repeal.

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

SECT. 1. Zimri S. Wallingford, Samuel H. Wheeler, Jeremiah Smith, William Hale, Charles H. Sawyer, William S. Stevens, Charles M. Murphy, Joshua L. Foster, J. T. S. Libby, Harrison Haley, H. H. Brown, George W. Parker, B. F. Vittum, their associates and successors, be and hereby are created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Dover Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, use a common seal, and hereby are invested with all the powers, privileges, and immunities and made subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.

SECT. 2. Said society may hold real and personal estate, which it may acquire by gift, purchase, or otherwise, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, and may keep, manage, sell,
vey, or otherwise dispose of the same, or any part thereof, at pleasure.

Sect. 3. Any three of the above corporators may call the first meeting of said corporation in such manner as may seem proper.

Sect. 4. Such corporation may make and establish such by-laws for its own government as may seem best to subserve the purposes for which said corporation is established and to afford greater protection to animals, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state.

Sect. 5. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect on its passage.
[Approved July 28, 1881.]

CHAPTER 199.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF “AN ACT TO INCORPORATE A RELIGIOUS SOCIETY BY THE NAME OF THE FIRST BAPTIST SOCIETY IN NEWPORT,” APPROVED JUNE 22, 1819.

Sect. 1. Time of annual meeting changed.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That section three of said act be amended by striking out the words “on the first Wednesday of May,” and inserting instead thereof the words “in the month of December.”

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.
[Approved July 28, 1881.]

CHAPTER 200.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CLAREMONT AND WHITE RIVER JUNCTION RAILROAD.

Sect. 1. Additional corporators.

Sect. 3. Time of completing extended.

Sect. 2. Location and termini of road.

Sect. 4. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Section one of said act shall be amended by adding to the corporators named therein the following: Chester Pike and Benjamin K. Chase of Cornish, and Alvah W. Sillwray of Franklin.
Sect. 2. Section two of said act shall be amended so as to read as follows: Said corporation is authorized and empowered to locate, construct, and maintain a railroad not exceeding six rods in width, with necessary additions for excavations and embankments, from some convenient point in the town of Claremont, through Claremont village (so called) in said Claremont, thence through said Claremont and the town of Cornish, through the village of Cornish Flat (so called) in said Cornish, thence through the town of Plainfield, passing the village of Meriden (so called) in said Plainfield at some point within half a mile of the same, thence through the town of Lebanon to any point on the west bank of the Connecticut river in said town of Lebanon. Said corporation shall have the right to lease its road to any other railroad corporation established under the laws of this state with which it shall connect.

Sect. 3. That the time limited by the act approved July 3, 1872, entitled "An act incorporating the Claremont and White River Junction Railroad," be so amended as to extend the time for the construction and completion of said railroad to the third day of July, A. D. 1886.

Sect. 4. Sections two and six of said act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved July 20, 1881.]

CHAPTER 201.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE INDIAN HEAD BANK.

Sect. 1. That Edward Spalding, Augustus G. Reed, Matthew Barr, Harrison Hobson, Virgil C. Gilman, William D. Cadwell, and Frank A. McKean, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body corporate by the name of the Indian Head Bank, and shall so continue for the term of twenty years from the first day of January which will be in the year 1882, invested with all the powers, rights, and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities which by the laws of this state are incident to corporations for the purpose of banking.

Sect. 2. The said corporation shall be located and have its place of business at Nashua in the county of Hillsborough.

Sect. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not less than one hundred thousand dollars, and shall be divided into such number of shares as the members shall determine.
Sect. 4. Edward Spalding, Virgil C. Gilman, and Frank A. McKean, or any two of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation by publishing a notice thereof in some one newspaper published at said Nashua, three weeks successively, the last publication to be prior to the day of holding the same; and at such first or any subsequent legal meeting of said corporation the capital stock may be divided into shares, the amount of payment on each and the time of making them, the mode of calling future meetings determined, and such rules and regulations not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the state adopted, as may be convenient and necessary for the government and management of said corporation.

Sect. 5. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 202.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE FIRST MEETING OF THE GRANTEES OF THE RYE BEACH RAILROAD.

Sect. 1. The first meeting of the grantees of the Rye Beach Railroad is hereby legalized and confirmed.

Sect. 2. This corporation shall have all the privileges and be subject to all the liabilities of railroad corporations in this state, and shall be allowed ten years from the passage of this act for the construction and completion of said railroad.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 203.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE COURT GRANITE STATE, NUMBER SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY, OF THE ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

SEC. 1. Corporation constituted.
SEC. 2. Regulation as to property.
SEC. 3. Subject to amendment.
SEC. 4. Takes effect—when.

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

SECTION 1. That John Sandwell, Edward J. Sheehan, Thomas O'Donnell, Chris. J. Browne, and Fred. S. Barnett, their associates and successors, be and hereby are made a body politic and corporate by the name of "Court Granite State, No. 6,790, of the Ancient Order of Foresters," located at Manchester, for such 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, and be vested with all the privileges and subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.

SECTION 2. Said corporation may take and hold real and personal estate, by gift, bequest, or otherwise, to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and may dispose of the same at pleasure.

SECTION 3. The legislature may alter or amend this act whenever the public good may require the same.

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

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 204.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE UNDERHILL EDGE TOOL COMPANY.

SEC. 1. Preferred stock.
SEC. 2. Not to be sold less than par.
SEC. 3. How issued.
SEC. 4. Dividends on.
SEC. 5. How retired.
SEC. 6. Dividends cease—when.
SEC. 7. In case of winding up affairs of corporation.
SEC. 8. Three fourths vote of stock required to accept this act.

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

SECTION 1. The Underhill Edge Tool Company is hereby authorized and empowered to issue capital stock to an amount not exceeding seven hundred shares, of the par value of one hundred dollars each, and the same shall be known as preferred stock, and
said issue shall be in place of a like amount of stock now authorized by said charter but not yet issued.

Sect. 2. No portion of the stock issued under the provisions of this act shall be issued, sold, or disposed of at less than its par value, and the time and manner of issuing it shall be determined by the directors of the corporation.

Sect. 3. For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act, the said directors are authorized to issue from time to time so much of said seven hundred shares as they shall think proper; and the holders of stock heretofore issued shall have the first right to subscribe for and take said preferred stock in the proportion which the amount thereof so issued from time to time shall bear to the amount of stock heretofore issued and held by each at the time of such new issue, they paying therefor, in cash, the sum of one hundred dollars for each share; and said directors shall determine such proportion, and the amount and manner of such proportional subscription, and the time when the right to make such proportional subscription shall expire, and give notice thereof by mail to each of said stockholders thirty days at least before such expiration.

Sect. 4. Said board of directors are authorized and empowered to and shall declare and pay semi-annual dividends on each share of said preferred stock, not exceeding six per cent. per annum, and no dividends shall hereafter be declared and paid upon any other shares of said corporation in the hands of stockholders until said dividends upon said preferred stock shall have been fully paid: Provided, however, that said corporation, by its directors, shall have the right to appropriate all the net surplus earnings of the corporation after paying in full the dividends on said preferred stock, or any part of said net earnings, to purchasing in and retiring said preferred stock, in the manner hereinafter provided.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall have the right, by its directors and at their discretion, from time to time to purchase of the holders of such preferred stock any or all shares of such stock, by paying or tendering to such holder the par value of the shares, and may for that purpose appropriate and use the net surplus earnings of the corporation after paying the dividends on said preferred stock; and may also, at the option of the holder, exchange said preferred stock for other stock of said corporation at its par value, and issue new shares of common and unpreferred stock in lieu thereof, and thus retire said preferred stock or any shares thereof.

Sect. 6. Upon such tender of the par value of the preferred stock the interest or earnings on the same shall cease; and all sums realized from the sale of preferred stock shall be applied in payment of the indebtedness of the corporation.

Sect. 7. In case of the winding up of the affairs of said corporation before all of said preferred stock shall have been purchased in, or have been otherwise retired under the provisions of this act, then the assets of the corporation remaining after the payment of its liabilities shall be divided pro rata to the holders of the preferred stock to an amount not exceeding the par value of the shares, and the surplus of said assets shall be divided pro rata among the other stockholders.
Sect. 8. This act shall not take effect until the same shall be accepted by a vote representing at least three fourths of all the stock of said corporation, at a stockholders' meeting especially convened for that purpose, or until the written assent of the holders of two thirds of said stock shall be obtained.

Sect. 9. This act shall be enforced from its passage.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 205.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NASHUA SAVINGS BANK."

Sect. 1. Limitation as to real estate.

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

Sect. 1. That section three of chapter one thousand five hundred and eighty-three, laws of 1854, be amended by striking out the word "ten" from sixth line, between the words "of" and "thousand," and inserting the word fifty in lieu thereof, so that as amended it will read: Sect. 3. Said corporation shall be capable of receiving and holding such buildings and real estate as shall be necessary and convenient for managing their affairs, provided that such real estate held at any one time for the purpose aforesaid shall not exceed in value, at the time of purchase or acceptance thereof by said corporation, the sum of fifty thousand dollars.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 206.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE CERTAIN PERSONS BY THE NAME OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE BOTANIC SOCIETY," APPROVED JAN. 1, 1849.

Sect. 1. Title changed.

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

Sect. 1. That the title of said act be amended by striking out the word "botanic," and substituting therefor the word eclectic.
Sect. 2. That section one of said act be amended by striking out the word "botanic" in the seventh line of said section, and substituting therefor the word eclectic.

Sect. 3. That section two of said act be amended by striking out the word "botanical" in the fifth line of said section.

Sect. 4. 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.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 207.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF MONT VERNON TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE MCCOLLOM INSTITUTE.

Sect. 1. May appropriate $300 annually.

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

Sect. 1. The town of Mont Vernon is hereby authorized to raise annually the sum of three hundred dollars, and appropriate the same for the benefit of McCollom Institute in said town.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 208.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE TO BORROW MONEY FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

Sect.
1. $20,000 may be borrowed in notes by financial agent.

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

Sect. 1. The New Hampshire Asylum for the Insane is hereby authorized to borrow such sums of money, not exceeding in all twenty thousand dollars, as the committee appointed by the trustees at their late meeting for that purpose may think proper, for defraying the expense of erecting and furnishing an addition to its buildings for the accommodation of patients; and the financial agent of said corporation is authorized to give such notes of the corporation for the sums so borrowed as the committee may approve.
Chapters 208, 209, 210.

Sect. 2. It shall be the duty of the trustees to provide for the payments of said notes, when payments of the same are made, from the funds and assets of the corporation.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 209.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE HOMESTEADS OF BUCHANAN AND WILLIS, ALSO THE HOMESTEAD OF MRS. ELIZA MITCHELL, FROM SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER TWO IN THORNTON TO SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER THREE IN CAMP TON, FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.


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

Sect. 1. That the homesteads of Buchanan and Willis, also the homestead of Mrs. Eliza Mitchell, with all their taxable property, be and is [are] hereby disannexed from school-district number two in Thornton, and annexed to school-district number three in Camp ton, for school purposes.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.
[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 210.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE SUNCOOK VALLEY RAILROAD.


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

Sect. 1. That the time for completing the Suncook Valley Railroad is hereby extended to the thirty-first day of December, 1887.
Sect. 2. This act shall take effect on its passage.
[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 211.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE AMOSKEAG VETERANS OF MANCHESTER," PASSED AT JUNE SESSION, 1855.

Sect. 1. Rifles to be furnished by the state; rent of armory.

Sect. 2. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That section six of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Amoskeag Veterans of Manchester," passed June session, 1855, be and the same is hereby amended so that said section when amended shall read as follows: Sect. 6. Said battalion shall receive from the state so many muskets or rifles and equipments as may be necessary to arm the battalion, not exceeding two hundred and fifty, upon the officers of the battalion or other responsible persons' giving bond to the state with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the adjutant-general, for the safe-keeping and return of such muskets or equipments when required by the authority of the state. The necessary expense for the rent of an armory in which said arms and equipments shall be kept when not in actual use, not exceeding one hundred dollars a year, shall be allowed by the governor, and paid on his order to the commander of the battalion, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from its passage. [Approved July 20, 1881.]

CHAPTER 212.

AN ACT TO DISANNEX THE FARM OF GILMAN B. SMITH FROM THE TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD, AND ANNEX THE SAME TO DISTRICT NUMBER SIX IN NEW LONDON, FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Sect. 1. Homestead severed and annexed.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the homestead farm of Gilman B. Smith of Springfield, with the inhabitants and taxable property thereon, shall be and hereby is disannexed from Springfield and annexed.
Chapters 212, 213, 214.  [1881.

...to school-district number six in New London, for the purposes of schooling.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force on and after its passage.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 213.

AN ACT TO DISANXEX THE HOMESTEAD FARM OF JAMES BUCHANAN FROM SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER TWO IN SANDOWN, AND ANNEX THE SAME TO SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER FOUR IN CHESTER, FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Sect.
1. Homestead severed and annexed.  

Sect. 1. That the homestead farm of James Buchanan be and hereby is disannexed from school-district number two in Sandown, and the same is hereby annexed to school-district number four in the town of Chester, for school purposes; and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

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

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 214.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE SCYTHE COMPANY.

Sect.
1. Doings legalized.
2. Repealing clause.

Sect.
3. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The New Hampshire Scythe Company, a voluntary corporation located at Littleton, and the clerk of said corporation, shall in the month of August of each year make the returns required of them by sections eleven and sixteen of chapter one hundred and forty-nine of the General Laws; and any returns of said corporation or its officers made in the month of August, if otherwise in conformity to law, shall be deemed as valid and sufficient
as if made in the month of May; and the organization and proceedings of said company, so far as the same may have been defective in reference to the returns heretofore required by law to be made to the secretary of state and town-clerk, or in reference to any other omissions on the part of the corporators or officers of said company, are hereby legalized and made valid.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAP TER 215.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE DOINGS OF THE SELECTMEN AND COLLECTOR OF TAXES OF THE TOWN OF EPPING, IN ASSESSING AND COLLECTING A TAX IN SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER FIVE IN SAID TOWN FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING A NEW SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Sect. 1. School-house tax legalized.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That all school-house taxes assessed by the selectmen of the town of Epping upon school-district number five in said town, in the year 1881, for the purpose of building a new school-house in said district, are hereby legalized; and all the acts and doings of the selectmen and collector of taxes of said town for said year, in relation to the inventory, assessment, and collection of said taxes, are hereby ratified, confirmed, and legalized.

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

[Approved July 29, 1881.]
CHAPTER 216.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT OF 1875, CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED, ESTABLISHING A BOARD OF EDUCATION IN SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER ONE, LACONIA.

SECT.
1. Annual meeting—how called: terms of members of the board.
2. Vacancy—how filled.

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

SECT. 1. The annual meeting in school-district number one in Laconia shall hereafter be called and held as is provided by law in the case of school-districts for which no special provision is made, and the terms of two members of the board of education in said district shall hereafter expire at each annual meeting.

SECT. 2. Any vacancy in said board, occurring from any cause other than the expiration of a term, may be filled until the next annual meeting by the remaining members of the board; and the clerk of said board shall, within one week after the filling of such vacancy, furnish a copy of the record thereof to the clerk of the district, who shall record the same in the records of said district.

SECT. 3. Said district is hereby authorized to provide for the election or appointment of a superintendent of schools for said district in the same manner, upon the same conditions, and with the same powers and duties in said district as are prescribed for towns by the General Laws, chapter eighty-nine, section nineteen.

SECT. 4. Said board of education may authorize said superintendent, or one or more of their own number, to examine persons proposing to teach in said district.

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

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 217.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED “AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE COLEBROOK BRIDGE COMPANY.”

SECT.
1. Corporation granted exclusive privileges.

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

SECT. 1. That section two of said act be and hereby is amended by inserting after the word “empowered” and before the words “to construct” in the second line, the words “and given the exclu-
sive right," and by inserting after the word "at" at the end of the second line, and before the words "a point" at the beginning of the third line, the words "any place from," and by striking out the word "and" after the word "Colebrook" in the fourth line in said section, and in place thereof inserting the words "to a point," ["so that the second section, as amended, shall read as follows: Sect. 2. The said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered and given the exclusive right to construct a bridge over and across the Connecticut river, at any place between a point three fourths of a mile south of the mouth of the Mohawk stream (so called) in the town of Colebrook, to a point one mile north of the mouth of said stream to a point in Canaan or Lemington in the state of Vermont, and the same from time to time to rebuild and keep in repair, and for this purpose to purchase and hold so much land as may be necessary and convenient, and the same to sell and convey at pleasure."

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [Approved August 2, 1881.]

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CHAPTER 218.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SECURITY SAVINGS BANK IN WINCHESTER.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
2. Provision as to deposits.
3. As to real estate.
4. By-laws, etc.

Sect. 5. Books subject to be inspected.
6. Subject to repeal.
7. First meeting.
8. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Ansel Dickinson, Henry Abbott, E. M. Forbes, Aurelius B. Turner, Oliver L. Howard, Henry B. Swan, Lucius Rixford, Ebenezer S. Adams, Daniel T. Saben, Albert M. Howard, Fayette P. Willis, Francis P. Peters, Carl C. Davis, William A. Alexander, and Henry H. Pratt be and hereby are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Security Savings Bank, which bank shall be located in the town of Winchester in this state, and they and such other persons as shall be duly elected and admitted members of said corporation at regular meetings thereof, according to such by-laws as may hereafter be established, shall be and remain a body corporate by said name, and are and shall be invested with all the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to all the duties and liabilities which are or may be incident to corporations of like nature by the laws of this state.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may receive from any person or persons any deposit or deposits of money, and may use, manage, and improve the same for the benefit of the depositors in such manner

* The sentences enclosed in brackets are in the act as originally passed, but are omitted in the engrossed bill.
as shall be convenient or necessary for the security and profitable investment thereof, consistently with the laws of this state; and all deposits may be withdrawn and the net income or profit of the deposits divided at such reasonable times and in such manner and proportion, and subject to such equitable rules and regulations, as said corporation shall from time to time limit and appoint, agreeably to the laws of the state.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may take and hold such real estate, not exceeding five thousand dollars in value, as shall be convenient in transacting the business of the corporation, and said corporation may further take, hold, and dispose of such real estate as may in good faith be received by them as security or payment for loans made by them, or for any debts, demands, or liabilities which may be owing or accrue to said corporation.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may from time to time make such by-laws, rules, and regulations for its government and for the management of the business thereof as shall not be inconsistent with this act and the laws of this state.

Sect. 4. The books and accounts of this corporation shall be at all times subject to the inspection of the governor and council, the bank commissioners, or other officers appointed by either branch of the legislature for this purpose, of any officer of said corporation, or of any committee of depositors selected in accordance with any provision of the by-laws of this corporation.

Sect. 5. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Sect. 7. Ansel Dickinson, Henry Abbott, E. M. Forbes, Aurelius B. Turner, and Ebenezer S. Adams, or any two of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving or leaving at the dwelling of each corporator a notice of the time and place of such meeting at least five days before such meeting.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [Approved August 3, 1881.]

CHAPTER 219.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BELKNAP SAVINGS BANK," APPROVED JULY 3, 1868.

Sect. 1. Limitation as to real estate.

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

Sect. 1. Section third of said act of incorporation is hereby amended by striking out the word "ten" before the word "thousand," and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty," so that said corporation shall be capable of receiving and holding such
buildings and real estate as shall be necessary and convenient for managing their affairs, provided that such real estate held for the purpose aforesaid shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved August 3, 1881.]

CHAPTER 220.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MOOSILAUKE MOUNTAIN HOTEL COMPANY.

SECTION 1. Corporation constituted.

1. Corporation constituted.
2. Capital stock and real estate.

SECTION 2. First meeting, by-laws, and officers.

1. Corporation constituted.
2. Capital stock and real estate.
3. First meeting, by-laws, and officers.
4. Subject to repeal; takes effect—when.

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

SECTION 1. That Daniel Q. Clement, A. B. Woodworth, Ezra B. Mann, E. B. Woodworth, and E. F. Mann, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they hereby are incorporated and made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Moosilauke Mountain Hotel Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, and shall have and enjoy all the rights and privileges and be subject to all the liabilities and restrictions incident to corporations of a similar nature, and with power to purchase, construct, maintain, and carry on a hotel or hotels and all the necessary appurtenances to the same, in the towns of Benton, Warren, and Woodstock in the county of Grafton, near or on the top of Moosilauke mountain.

SECTION 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and said corporation may purchase, have, and hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding that sum, and may manage, improve, control, and dispose of the same in such manner as may be necessary and convenient for the purposes and interests of the corporation and the accommodation of the public.

SECTION 3. Daniel Q. Clement and A. B. Woodworth may call the first meeting of said corporation by publishing a notice in the Lisbon Globe, a newspaper printed at Lisbon in said county of Grafton, ten days at least previous thereto, at which meeting or any adjournment thereof a clerk shall be chosen, and by-laws for the regulation and government of said corporation not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state may be adopted, all necessary officers for managing the affairs of the corporation may be chosen, the amount of the capital stock may be fixed and the same divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and any other business transacted necessary to promote the interests and carry into effect the objects of said corporation.
Sect. 4. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever in their opinion the public good requires such alteration, amendment, or repeal; and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 3, 1881.]

Chapter 221.

An Act to Incorporate the Keene Manufacturing Company.

Sect. 1. That Samuel W. Hale, Henry Colony, Francis French, Ira W. Russell, Warren W. Mason, and William S. Hale, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and hereby are made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Keene Manufacturing Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and shall be and hereby are vested with all the rights and privileges and subject to all the liabilities incident to a corporation of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized to carry on the business of manufacturing wool, cotton, wood, and iron goods in the city of Keene in this state, for such uses and purposes as it may desire, and to take, hold, and convey real estate and personal property not exceeding in value at any one time the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, and the same to manage, improve, and dispose of at pleasure.

Sect. 3. Any three of the persons named in this act may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving at least ten days' previous notice to the other persons named herein, at which or any subsequent meeting officers may be chosen, the amount of its capital stock fixed, and the par value of the shares therein determined (with liberty to increase said capital stock from time to time thereafter to not exceeding the aforesaid sum of two hundred thousand dollars), and all such by-laws not repugnant to the laws of this state as may be thought proper may be adopted.

Sect. 4. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever in their opinion the public good may require.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 4, 1881.]
CHAPTER 222.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE LITTLETON BANK.

Section 1. Corporation constituted.
Section 2. Capital stock.
Section 3. Location; first meeting.
Section 4. Takes effect—when.

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

Section 1. John Farr, Cyrus Eastman, Eleazer B. Parker, Henry L. Tilton, George B. Redington, and George A. Bingham, their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated by the name of the Littleton Bank, with authority to exercise all the powers and privileges of banks of discount and deposit under the laws of the state of New Hampshire.

Section 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Section 3. Said corporation shall have its place of business at Littleton in the county of Grafton in the state of New Hampshire, and the first meeting for the purpose of organization shall be held in said Littleton at any time within two years after the approval of this act. Said meeting may be called by any two of the corporators named in this act by giving notice as provided by section three of chapter one hundred and fifty-two of the General Laws of said state.

Section 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

[Approved August 5, 1881.]

CHAPTER 223.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GRANITE STATE BANK.

Section 1. Corporation constituted.
Section 2. Location.
Section 3. Capital stock.
Section 4. First meeting and business thereof.
Section 5. Subject to repeal.

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

Section 1. That Benjamin L. Merrill, William W. Stickney, Edmund Elliott, George A. Wentworth, Charles A. Merrill, Abner L. Merrill, William G. Perry, Warren F. Putnam, John E. Gardner, Joseph W. Merrill, Robert Thompson, Edward Sanborn, Nathaniel Churchill, Charles C. Odlin, and Josiah B. Wiggins, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they hereby are incorporated and
made a body corporate by the name of the Granite State Bank, and shall so continue for the term of twenty years from the first day of January which will be in the year 1882, invested with all the powers, rights, and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities which by the laws of this state are incident to corporations for the purpose of banking.

SECT. 2. The said corporation shall be located and have its place of business at Exeter in the county of Rockingham.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not less than one hundred thousand dollars, and shall be divided into such number of shares as the members shall determine.

SECT. 4. Benjamin L. Merrill, Warren F. Putnam, and George A. Wentworth, or any two of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation by publishing a notice thereof in some one newspaper published in said Exeter, three weeks successively, the last publication to be prior to the day of holding the same; and at such first or any subsequent legal meeting of said corporation the capital stock may be divided into shares, the amount of payment on each and the time of making them, the mode of calling future meetings determined, and such rules and regulations not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the state adopted, as may be convenient and necessary for the government and management of said corporation.

SECT. 5. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

[Approved August 5, 1881.]

CHAPTER 224.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PISCATAQUA EXCHANGE BANK.

SECT. 1. That Ichabod Goodwin, William L. Dwight, John Stavers, William H. Hackett, Edward P. Kimball, Ezra H. Winchester, and Robert C. Peirce, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body corporate by the name of the Piscataqua Exchange Bank, and shall so continue for the term of twenty years from the first day of January which will be in the year 1882, invested with all the powers, rights, and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities which by the laws of this state are incident to corporations for the purpose of banking.
Sect. 2. The said corporation shall be located and have its place of business at Portsmouth in the county of Rockingham.

Sect. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not less than one hundred thousand dollars, and shall be divided into such number of shares as the members shall determine.

Sect. 4. The said grantees, or any four of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation by publishing a notice thereof in some newspaper published at said Portsmouth, three weeks successively, the last publication to be prior to the day of holding the same; and at such first or any subsequent legal meeting of said corporation the capital stock may be divided into shares, the amount of payment on each and the time of making them, the mode of calling future meetings determined, and such rules and regulations not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the state adopted as may be convenient and necessary for the government and management of said corporation.

Sect. 5. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

[Approved August 5, 1881.]

CHAPTER 225.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANCHESTER BANK.

Sect. 1. That Nathan Parker, Charles E. Balch, David A. Bun-ton, John H. Maynard, Phinehas Adams, Benjamin F. Martin, Horace P. Watts, Noah S. Clark, Charles D. McDuffie, William J. Hoyt, Walter M. Parker, and Edward H. Paine, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and hereby are incorporated and made a body politic by the name of the Manchester Bank, and may so continue until the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and two, with power to carry on the business of banking by discounting and negotiating promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, and other evidences of debt, receiving deposits, buying and selling exchange, loaning money, together with all the other powers, rights, and privileges and subject to all the liabilities which by the laws of this state are incident to corporations for the purpose of banking.

Sect. 2. Said corporation shall be located and have its place of business at the city of Manchester in this state; and its capital stock shall not be less than fifty thousand nor more than two hundred thousand dollars.
First meeting—how called.  

Sect. 3. Charles E. Balch, Walter M. Parker, and Horace P. Watts, or any two of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation by publishing a notice thereof, in some one newspaper published at Manchester in the county of Hillsborough, three weeks successively, the last publication to be prior to the day of holding the same; and at such first or any subsequent legal meeting of said corporation the capital stock may be divided into shares, the amount of payment on each and the time of making them, the mode of calling future meetings determined, and such rules and regulations not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the state adopted as may be convenient and necessary for the government and management of said corporation.

Sect. 4. The legislature may at any time alter, annul, amend, or repeal this act.

[Approved August 5, 1881.]

CHAPTER 226.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MERRIMACK RIVER BANK.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
1. Corporation constituted.
2. Location.
4. First meeting, and business thereat.
5. Subject to repeal.

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

Sect. 1. That Waterman Smith, Frederick Smyth, David Cross, Joseph B. Clark, Natt Head, Francis B. Eaton, and Thomas Wheat, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body corporate by the name of the Merrimack River Bank, and shall so continue for the term of twenty years from the first day of January, A. D. 1882, invested with all the powers, rights, and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities which by the laws of this state are incident to corporations for the purpose of banking.

Sect. 2. The said corporation shall be located and have its place of business at Manchester in the county of Hillsborough.

Sect. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and shall be divided into such number of shares as the members of said corporation shall determine.

Sect. 4. Waterman Smith, Frederick Smyth, and David Cross, or any two of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation by publishing a notice thereof, in some one newspaper published at said Manchester, three weeks successively, the last publication to be prior to the day of holding the same; and at such first or any subsequent legal meeting of said corporation, the capital stock may be divided into shares, the amount of payment on each and the time of making them, the mode of calling future meetings
determined, and such rules and regulations not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the state adopted as may be convenient and necessary for the government and management of said corporation.

Sect. 5. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

[Approved August 5, 1881.]

CHAPTER 227.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, AUTHORIZING THE SAID COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK, AND TO FIX THE PAR VALUE OF ITS SHARES AT ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER SHARE.

Sect. 1. Corporation authorized to increase capital stock.

Sect. 2. Par value of shares may be increased.

Sect. 3. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Company may increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding the sum of one million of dollars in the whole.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may fix the par value of its shares at one hundred dollars per share by uniting two of the present shares in one, or by the payment of the difference between the present par value of its shares (as limited in its charter at fifty dollars each) and the sum of one hundred dollars per share.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

CHAPTER 228.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE SCHOOL-MEETING IN DISTRICT NUMBER ELEVEN IN THE TOWN OF SUTTON.

Sect. 1. School-meeting legalized.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the school-meeting in district number eleven, holden the sixteenth day of May, 1881, is hereby legalized.

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

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
CHAPTER 229

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE HOMESTEAD FARM OF SYLVANUS A. MORSE FROM
SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER TEN TO THE UNION DISTRICT IN KEENE.

Sect. 1. Farm severed and annexed.

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

Sect. 1. The homestead farm of Sylvanus A. Morse is hereby
severed from school-district number ten in the city of Keene, and
annexed to the Union school-district in said city of Keene, for
school purposes.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

CHAPTER 230

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE IRON COMPANY,
WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY INCORPORATED UNDER THE NAME OF THE NEW
HAMPSHIRE IRON FACTORY COMPANY.

Sect. 1. Name changed.
2. Capital stock.
3. Limitation as to real estate.
4. Subject to repeal; takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the name of said company shall hereafter be the
Franconia Iron Company, and by that name shall be known and
styled in all acts and proceedings of or relating to said company.

Sect. 2. Said company may at any time increase its capital stock
to an amount not exceeding two million dollars, and may divide
their capital stock into any number of shares not exceeding four
hundred thousand at any meeting of the stockholders of said com-
pany duly called and helden for that purpose.

Sect. 3. Said company is hereby authorized to hold real estate
to an amount not exceeding fifteen hundred thousand dollars in
value.

Sect. 4. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal
this act whenever in their opinion the public good may require,
and this act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHIROPODISTs.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
Sect. 2. Regulations and property.
Sect. 3. First meeting.
Sect. 4. Subject to repeal.
Sect. 5. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Nehemiah Kenison, Walter W. Kenison, Albert C. Johnson, Frank C. Thompson, Parker Kenison, Charles Kenison, and Frank M. Marden, their associates and successors, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the New Hampshire Association of Chiropodists, for the purpose of promoting the knowledge of chiropody and regulating its practice, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions, and liabilities by law incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. That said corporation be authorized to adopt such rules and take such measures as may be deemed best to promote knowledge in the practice of operative and mechanical chiropody, and for the purposes of the association may purchase, hold, or sell real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Sect. 3. That two persons first named in this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by giving written notice to each of the grantees of the time and place of meeting at least fourteen days before such day of meeting.

Sect. 4. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act when in their opinion the public good requires.

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

[Approved August 9, 1881.]
CHAPTER 232.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE FORECLOSURE OF THE MANCHESTER & KEENE RAILROAD.

Sect.
1. Rights and franchises pass to purchasers under foreclosure; mortgages confirmed.
2. Purchasers may organize as a corporation.
3. Trustees may sell whole or part; any railroad may purchase; if purchased by connecting road, may become part of it; time for completing extended.

Sect.
4. Purchasing road may issue bonds or increase capital stock.
5. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Whenever a due and lawful foreclosure and sale of the railroad and corporate rights, franchises, and property of the Manchester & Keene Railroad takes place, under the mortgages of said corporation, for the benefit of the holders of the bonds of said company, according to the provisions of said mortgages, which are hereby ratified and confirmed, and shall be deemed and held to be valid, the purchasers or their assigns shall thereby have, hold, and enjoy said railroad and property, and all the rights, powers, franchises, and privileges at any time heretofore conferred by law upon the Manchester & Keene Railroad, with all the powers necessary to carry this act into effect.

Sect. 2. If the said purchasers at the time of said purchase shall not have been organized as a corporation, they may, at a meeting called by any one of them, which call shall be published in a newspaper printed in the city of Keene, and a like notice in a newspaper printed in the city of Manchester, fifteen days at least prior to the day of said meeting, or at any subsequent meeting, adopt a corporate name and seal; admit associates; make reasonable by-laws not repugnant to the laws of this state; fix the amount of its capital stock, which, upon payment of the purchase-money, shall be considered as fully paid in; choose, or provide for the choice of, officers and agents; and shall be a corporation, with all the powers, privileges, and franchises and subject to all the duties heretofore at any time conferred by law upon the Manchester & Keene Railroad.

Sect. 3. At the foreclosure sale, the trustees under the mortgages may, if they deem it expedient and authorized by the terms of the mortgages, sell said Manchester & Keene Railroad as a whole or in suitable parts, and the purchasers of the whole or any part of said railroad may sell the whole or any part thereof at private sale, if they think such sale best calculated to secure the effective operation of the whole road; and any railroad company is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase and hold the whole or any part of said railroad; and so much thereof as may be purchased by any railroad connecting therewith either directly or through lines which it leases or operates, may thereupon be made.
a part of the railroad purchasing the same as aforesaid, the same
as if it had been originally incorporated as a part of its railroad;
and said railroad shall have all the rights, powers, and privileges
necessary to carry this act into effect; but nothing in this act con-
tained shall be construed to authorize the discontinuance of any
portion of said road, and the time for completing said road is ex-
tended during four years from the passage of this act.

SECT. 4. The railroad or railroads purchasing the said Manches-
ter & Keene Railroad, or any part thereof, are authorized to issue
bonds, secured by mortgage on their own road, or any part there-
of, or on the property purchased, or on both jointly, or to increase
their capital stock for the purpose of raising money for the im-
provement or extension of said Manchester & Keene Railroad, or
any part thereof; and the railroad company organized by the pur-
chasers at the foreclosure sale shall have the same power and
authority to issue stock, bonds, and mortgages.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.
[Approved August 11, 1881.]

CHAPTER 233.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GRANITE STATE PROVIDENT ASSOCIATION

SECT. 1. That Frederick Smyth, James A. Weston, Samuel N.
Bell, Aretas Blood, Waterman Smith, John C. French, A. H. Dan-
iels, N. S. Bean, H. B. Simpson, Robert R. Andrews, N. P. Hunt,
D. B. Varney, Alfred G. Fairbanks, A. Bunton, and whoever shall
hereafter become members of the association hereby incorporated,
and [are] hereby constituted a body corporate under the name of the
Granite State Provident Association, and shall be legally author-
ized to effect contracts of insurance with any person or corporation
on life or lives, or on or against any event, loss, or risk in any
manner dependent on any life or lives, or against all or any per-
sonal injuries, to grant, sell, or purchase any annuities, to grant
endowments, to purchase contingent rights, reversions, or remain-

Time for com-
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Purchasing
road may issue
bonds or in-
crease capital
stock.

Takes effect—
when.

Corporation
constituted,
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purpose.
ders, and to furnish and supply periodical payments to persons incapacitated or disabled by sickness, accident, or otherwise from supporting themselves, and shall be capable of acquiring, by purchase, lease, mortgage, or otherwise, and of holding, absolutely and conditionally, lands, real estate, and personal property, and of selling, alienating, transferring, mortgaging, leasing, conveying, or in any way disposing of the same, and otherwise acting as a building association, enabling members to purchase or build their own houses.

Sect. 2. The principal office of the corporation shall be in the city of Manchester in this state, but agencies and branch offices may be established elsewhere, as the directors may from time to time decide upon.

Sect. 3. The corporation shall have a common seal, and may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, in the corporate name aforesaid.

Sect. 4. The corporation shall carry on business solely on the mutual plan. Any individual, corporation, legal or beneficial holder of a policy of insurance or certificate of shares, who shall have paid all due premiums or calls thereon respectively, and all annuitants of the association, shall be respectively members thereof, and entitled to all the benefits under the provisions of this act and the by-laws of the association, and all surplus and profits arising from the business of the association, after a reserve fund sufficient to cover the outstanding engagements of the association has accumulated, shall be ratably distributed among its members; but no member shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of the association, or to hold office therein, unless he is either the holder of a policy or certificate to the amount of at least five hundred dollars, or an annuitant receiving not less than two hundred dollars per annum.

Sect. 5. The general management of the corporation is hereby vested in a board of directors, which shall consist of not less than eight or more than twelve members, to be selected by ballot by a majority of votes at each annual meeting, when the first three, as determined by lot, shall retire, and three shall be elected in their stead, but retiring directors shall be eligible for re-election; five of such directors shall form a quorum, and shall from among their number select a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and clerk, who shall also be clerk of the corporation; they shall continue in office until their successors are appointed, or so long as they attend faithfully to the interests of the association. The president and secretary shall have power, with the approval of the board of directors, to appoint and remove such other officers, clerks, or agents, and establish such agencies and local boards, as they may deem advisable.

Sect. 6. The association shall not commence operations, as far as applies to the life insurance department, until a sufficient number of persons shall have guaranteed to take policies or shares to the extent of at least fifty thousand dollars. The first meeting of the corporation may be called by notice in writing signed by any three of the grantees and mailed to each corporator, or inserted in any newspaper published in the city of Manchester, for at least one
wreck previous to such meeting, at such time and place in the city of Manchester as such advertisement shall direct.

Sect. 7. The corporation shall have power to enact by-laws to carry out the objects of this act, and for the organization, maintenance, and government of the association, as well as for the application of its funds and profits as hereinafter provided. Such by-laws shall not be inconsistent with the laws of this state, or of the United States, and may from time to time be altered and amended by the directors, or a majority of them; and such by-laws so made in accordance with the objects of this act shall be legal and binding until altered, amended, or repealed.

Sect. 8. There shall be an annual meeting of the association, to be held on such day of January or February in each year as the by-laws shall fix, or as may be appointed by the directors. Special, general, or extraordinary meetings may at any time be called by five of the directors, or may be called by requisition of twenty-five members. Notices of all meetings shall be given by advertisement in one or more newspapers published in the city of Manchester, inserted for at least one week before such meeting, and shall be held at such time and place within the city of Manchester as the directors may appoint.

Sect. 9. In case any of the directors shall die, resign, or become ineligible to serve, or if from any other cause a vacancy shall occur in the board, the remaining directors may appoint a qualified member to fill such vacancy until the annual meeting.

Sect. 10. On and after the first day of October, A. D. 1881, the official or fiscal year shall commence on the first day of January and terminate on the thirty-first day of December in each year.

Sect. 11. A financial statement of the condition of the association shall be presented at each annual meeting, audited by any two members eligible to vote who are not directors, but who shall have been previously appointed for such purpose by the directors.

Sect. 12. In case more than an average number of deaths shall occur during the first three years that the association shall be in operation, which shall anticipate more of the funds than the tables provide for, or whenever any sudden increase of deaths shall happen in consequence of any contagion, famine, invasion, or other extraordinary casualty, it shall be lawful for the directors to defer the payment of any per-centage of the sum claimable under each policy which may have expired during such three years, or during the prevalence of such contagion, famine, invasion, or extraordinary casualty, which per-centage shall be paid from time to time as sufficient funds become available, and which shall be divided ratably among those entitled thereto.

Sect. 13. The directors may make advances to the members on security of real estate, and may hold a policy of insurance as collateral security. They shall also generally have the power to invest the funds in such other securities as the interest of the corporation may require, and from time to time may purchase, for the benefit of the corporation, any of the policies or other obligations previously issued.

Sect. 14. A copy of any by-laws of the association, under its seal and purporting to be signed by the clerk of the association,
shall be received as *prima facie* evidence of such by-laws in all courts of law or of equity in this state.

**Sect. 15.** No individual member of the corporation shall be personally liable for the debts thereof.

**Sect. 16.** The books and accounts of the association shall at all times be open to the examination of such persons as the governor in council may appoint to inspect the same.

**Sect. 17.** This act shall cease and determine if effective business operations under it shall not be begun and continued within five years from the date of passing, which shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

[Approved August 11, 1881.]

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**CHAPTER 234.**

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CONCORD.

**Sect.**
1. Street sprinkling precincts may be established.

**Sect.**
2. Takes effect—when.

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

**Sect. 1.** The city council of the city of Concord shall have full power and authority by ordinance to establish from time to time within the limits of said city such number of precincts as they shall judge necessary for the public convenience, and to fix the boundaries thereof, and the same to enlarge, modify, define, and alter, as the public interests may require; and within any precinct so established the mayor and aldermen of said city may cause the streets to be sprinkled with water 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 defrayed by taxation upon the polls and ratable estates situated 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 the gas precinct of said city.

**Sect. 2.** This act shall take effect when adopted by the city council of said city of Concord.

[Approved August 11, 1881.]
CHAPTER 235.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANCHESTER ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY.

SECT. 1. Corporation constituted.
1. Location and object.
2. Powers and privileges.
3. Powers and privileges.

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

SECT. 1. That Person C. Cheney, George C. Gilmore, Waterman Smith, Samuel D. Lord, Henry M. Puiney, Elijah M. Topliff, Atherton W. Quint, Cyrus A. Solloway, Charles Williams, Benjamin C. Dean, David B. Varney, and Horace P. Simpson, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Manchester Electric Light Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and shall be and hereby are invested with all the powers, privileges, and made subject to all the liabilities under the laws of the state applicable to corporations of a similar nature.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to establish, manage, and carry on in the city of Manchester the business of generating, manufacturing, producing, and supplying electricity for purposes of light, heat, and mechanical power; distributing, conveying, and supplying the said electricity by metallic wires, or by any other suitable means of transmitting the same, upon poles erected or in subterranean tubes, pipes, or boxes placed in the public streets, highways, or sewers, and back streets; to build suitable buildings, boilers, engines, electrical machines, and works, as may be needed and convenient for conducting the business of said corporation; and may lease, purchase, hold, and enjoy real and personal estate not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars in value, and the same may sell, convey, and dispose of at pleasure.

SECT. 3. Said corporation shall have the right, subject to the general laws which now are or may be enacted with reference to electric light companies, to lay metallic wires upon poles erected, or in subterranean pipes, tubes, and boxes, in the public streets, highways, and sewers of said city, and to re-lay and repair the same, a due regard being had to public safety and travel.

SECT. 4. The whole amount of capital stock shall not exceed three hundred thousand dollars, to be divided in shares not exceeding one hundred dollars each.

SECT. 5. Said Person C. Cheney, George C. Gilmore, Waterman Smith, Samuel D. Lord, and Henry M. Putney, or any three of them, may call the first meeting by giving not less than ten days' notice thereof in any newspaper printed in said city, at which meeting, or any subsequent meeting duly holden, by-laws, rules, and regulations may be made, the number of officers fixed upon,
officers chosen, the capital stock and number of shares into which the same may be divided fixed and agreed upon, and all matters done and transacted that may be necessary to the organization of said corporation.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 236.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE CITY OF MANCHESTER.

Sect. 1. Salaries increased.

Sect. 2. Repealing clause: takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The salary of the justice of the police court of Manchester shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and the salary of the clerk of said court shall be six hundred dollars per annum, which said salaries shall be paid in quarterly payments out of the city treasury, and the salaries so received shall be in full for services of every kind rendered by them in the discharge of all the duties pertaining to their office.

Sect. 2. 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 August 16, 1881.]

CHAPTER 237.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE AMMONOOSUC ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.

Sect. 2. Location and object.

Sect. 3. Powers and privileges.

Sect. 4. First meeting.

Sect. 5. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Wilbur F. Robbins, William H. Mitchell, A. S. Batchelor, Harry A. Johnson, William A. Haskins, and George W. Barrett, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby made a body politic and corporate by the name of the
Ammonoosuc Electric Light Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and shall be and hereby are invested with all the powers and privileges and made subject to all the liabilities under the laws of this state applicable to corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to establish, manage, and carry on in the town of Littleton the business of generating, manufacturing, producing, and supplying electricity for purposes of light, heat, and mechanical power; distributing, conveying, and supplying the said electricity by metallic wires, or by any other suitable means of transmitting the same, upon poles erected or in subterranean tubes, pipes, or boxes placed in the public streets, highways, or sewers, and other places; to construct suitable buildings, boilers, engines, electrical machinery, and works, as may be needed and convenient for conducting the business of said corporation; and may lease, hold, purchase, and acquire real and personal estate not exceeding thirty thousand dollars in value, and the same may be sold, conveyed, and disposed of at pleasure.

Sect. 3. Said corporation shall have the right to lay metallic wires upon poles erected, or in subterranean pipes, tubes, or boxes, and in other appropriate and convenient ways, in the public streets, highways, or sewers of said town, and to re-lay and repair the same, a due regard being had to public safety and travel; to locate its line of wires or other means of transmission over or through public or private property or lands, permission being had and a price agreed upon between the parties.

Sect. 4. Said corporators hereinbefore named, or either of them, may call the first meeting of the corporators by giving ten days' notice thereof in any newspaper printed in Littleton, or by due personal notice thereof to each of said corporators, at which meeting, or any subsequent meetings duly holden, by-laws and regulations for the government of the corporation may be made, the necessary officers designated and chosen, the capital stock and the number of shares into which it may be divided fixed, and all other matters and things done and transacted that may be necessary to the organization of said corporation.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.  
[Approved August 16, 1881.]
CHAPTER 238.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE WORCESTER & NASHUA RAILROAD COMPANY TO HIRE OR TAKE A LEASE OF THE BOSTON, BARRE & GARDNER RAILROAD.

SECT. 1. Railroad lease authorized.

Sect. 2. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. The Worcester & Nashua Railroad Company, a corporation established under and by virtue of the laws of the states of New Hampshire and Massachusetts, is hereby authorized to take a lease of the Boston, Barre & Gardner Railroad, a railroad located and constructed from the city of Worcester to the town of Winchendon in the state of Massachusetts, or to make such other contract in relation to the use and operation of the same as the directors may deem expedient and for the interest of the said Worcester & Nashua Railroad Company.

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

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 239.

AN ACT TO ENLARGE THE POWERS OF THE VILLAGE PRECINCT OF HANOVER.

SECT. 1. Powers of precinct enlarged.

SECT. 2. Special meeting—how called.

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

Sect. 1. The village precinct of Hanover, comprising school-district number one of said town, may adopt the provisions of chapter seventy-eight of the General Laws at its annual meeting, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, and have the same rights as cities have by virtue of said chapter; and the rights of all parties interested shall be settled in the same way as is therein provided.

Sect. 2. Said special meeting for the adoption of the provisions of section one of this act, and for the choice of the commissioners in this act provided, may be called by any justice of the peace upon the petition of ten legal voters of said precinct, in the same manner as town-meetings may be called by a justice of the peace.
ugen. Said precinct may vote to raise money to an amount not exceeding one tenth of one per cent. annually upon the assessed valuation of the polls and property, real and personal, in the precinct, and appropriate the same for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of said chapter seventy-eight of the General Laws, which vote shall be certified by the clerk of the precinct to the selectmen of the town, and the sums so voted shall be assessed, collected, and paid over to said commissioners in the same manner as school-district taxes now are.

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 240.

AN ACT TO REVIVE AND CONTINUE THE CHARTER OF THE MANCHESTER & FITCHBURG RAILROAD.


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

Sect. 1. That the time limited in and by the act approved July 14, 1877, entitled "An act to incorporate the Manchester & Fitchburg Railroad," is hereby revived and continued to the first day of July, 1890; and a meeting for the purpose of organizing said corporation may be called in such manner as is provided in said charter: Provided, that the route of said railroad in the town of Amherst shall be within one hundred rods of the town-house at Amherst Plain (so called).

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

[Approved August 17, 1881.]
CHAPTER 241.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PORTSMOUTH ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY.

Sect. 1. That Frank Jones, Ezra H. Winchester, Albert J. Walker, William H. Sise, John Hatch, Charles H. Mendum, Charles H. Sinclair, Calvin Page, John Pender, Charles H. Garrett, Andrew P. Preston, Henry M. Clark, James P. Bartlett, Jeremiah F. Hall, Daniel Marcy, J. H. Hutchinson, Josiah H. Morrison, Samuel Gerrish, John H. Broughton, John Conlon, Marcellus Eldridge, Edwin A. Peterson, Frank W. Hilton, Mercer H. Goodrich, Thomas E. Call, Thomas Neal, Thomas E. Ryder, John H. Slater, Wallace Downs, James W. Emery, Albert R. Hatch, Hartley W. Mason, Jeremiah Sanborn, J. V. Hanscom, John H. Wells, Edward S. Fay, Henry R. Stoddard, R. H. Beacham, John S. Treat, Daniel J. Lynch, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and they are hereby made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Portsmouth Electric Light Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and shall be and hereby are invested with all the powers and privileges and made subject to all the liabilities under the laws of this state applicable to corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to establish, manage, and carry on in the city of Portsmouth the business of generating, manufacturing, producing, and supplying electricity for purposes of light, heat, and mechanical power, distributing, conveying, and supplying the said electricity by metallic wires, or by any other suitable means of transmitting the same, upon poles erected or in subterranean tubes, pipes, or boxes placed in the public streets, highways, or sewers, and other places, to build suitable buildings, boilers, engines, electrical machines, and works as may be needed and convenient for conducting the business of said corporation, and may lease, purchase, hold, and acquire real and personal estate not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars in value, and the same may be sold, conveyed, or disposed of at pleasure.

Sect. 3. Said Frank Jones, Ezra H. Winchester, Calvin Page, J. V. Hanscom, and John Hatch, or any three of them, may call the first meeting of the corporators by giving ten days' notice thereof in any newspaper printed in said city, at which meeting, or any subsequent meetings duly holden, by-laws, rules, and regulations may be made, the number of officers fixed upon and chosen, the capital stock and number of shares into which it may be di
vided fixed and agreed upon, and all matters done and transacted
that may be necessary to the organization of said corporation.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.
[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 242.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF ROCHESTER TO ESTABLISH WATER-
WORKS IN SAID TOWN.

Sect.
1. Corporation constituted: purpose and pow-
ers.
2. May take waters, dig ditches, etc.
3. Damages—how adjusted.

Sect.
5. Management of water-works.
6. Town may vote to raise money.
7. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the town of Rochester in the county of Strafford
is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, manage, main-
tain, and own suitable water-works for the purpose of introducing
into and distributing through the more compact parts of Rochester
village in said Rochester an adequate supply of fresh water in sub-
terranean pipes for extinguishing fires and for the use of its citi-
zens and for other proper uses; 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 necessary for the
carrying into effect the purposes of this act; and to excavate and
dig canals and ditches in any street, place, square, passway, high-
way, common, or other place through which it may be deemed nec-
essary for said pipes and water-works to pass, be, or exist, for the
purpose of placing said pipes and other material as may be deemed
necessary and proper for building said water-works, and re-lay,
change, and repair the same at pleasure, having due regard for the
safety of its citizens and the security of the public travel.

Sect. 2. Said town is authorized and empowered to enter upon,
take, and appropriate any streams, springs, or ponds in said Roch-
est or other towns (not belonging to any aqueduct company), and
to secure by fence or otherwise such streams, springs, or ponds,
and to raise by dam or dams, and lower by canals, excavations, or
ditches, the waters in said streams, springs, or ponds, and to dig
ditches, canals, make excavations or reservoirs through, over, in,
or upon any land or enclosure through which it may be necessary
for said water-works, pipes, or aqueducts to pass, or said excava-
tions, reservoirs, and water-works to be or exist, so far as it may
be deemed necessary and proper for the purpose of obtaining, ac-
cumulating, preserving, holding, and conducting water for the use
of said water-works, and to place pipes and aqueducts, and to make
other suitable works and buildings for building, maintaining, operating, rebuilding, and repairing said water-works, with the right to re-lay, change, and repair the same at pleasure.

Sect. 3. In case said town shall enter upon, take, and appropriate any real estate, rights in real estate, water-rights, streams, springs, ponds, and rights as aforesaid, or shall so make its dams, aqueducts, and pipes, canals, excavations, and ditches, as to raise or lower the water in any stream, spring, or pond, or to affect the supply of water therefrom to any mills or privileges to the injury of any person having rights to said water, and shall not agree with the owner or party injured upon the damages to be paid by said town therefor, or such owners shall be unknown, said town or said owner or party injured may apply to the supreme court for said county of Strafford at the trial term thereof to have the same laid out and damages assessed and 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, after due notice to the parties interested, and a hearing, shall assess and award the damages to the party entitled thereto, and make report in writing to said court, and shall file with the town-clerk of the towns in which such assessments and award of damages shall be made, the assessment and award of damages so made. If either party shall desire, 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.

Sect. 4. All contracts and obligations made by said town of Rochester with any person or corporations for the purposes of acquiring and securing any real estate, rights in real estate, water-rights, streams, springs, ponds, or rights as aforesaid, or water for the uses and purposes of the water-works authorized by this act, or for the purpose of adjusting any damages thereby, shall be valid and binding according to the terms thereof.

Sect. 5. Said town is also authorized and empowered to contract with individuals and corporations for supplying them with water, and to make such contracts and to establish such regulations and tolls for the use of water as may from time to time be deemed proper; and for the more convenient management of said water-works, the said town may, either before or after the construction of the same, place them under the direction of a superintendent or board of water commissioners, or of both, with such powers and duties as may from time to time be prescribed by said town.

Sect. 6. Said town is also authorized, at any annual or special meeting, by a major vote of those present and voting, to borrow or hire such sums of money on the credit of said town as may from time to time be deemed advisable for the purpose of defraying the expenses of purchasing real estate, rights in real estate, water-rights, streams, springs, ponds, and rights as aforesaid, and of constructing, maintaining, and operating said water-works; and to issue notes or bonds of the town therefor, payable at such times and at such rates of interest, not exceeding six per cent. annually, as may be thought proper; and also to levy such taxes as may at
any time be deemed advisable for the same purposes, or for paying
any sums borrowed therefor as aforesaid.

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

[Approved August 17, 1881.]

CHAPTER 243.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE BANK-
NING COMPANY.

Sect. 1. Partial repeal as to guaranty fund.
2. Tax on special deposits; provisions of this
act apply to Manchester Savings Bank.

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

Sect. 1. That the charter of said company be amended by strik-
ing out the words "nor to a greater amount of general deposits than
five hundred thousand dollars, unless the amount of one hundred
thousand dollars shall then have been provided for said fund" in
section three of said act.

Sect. 2. The tax on the special deposit shall be assessed and
paid in the same manner and at the same rate as the law shall re-
quire on general deposits; and the provisions of this bill shall
apply to and be in force as regards the Guaranty Savings Bank
located at Manchester.

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provi-
sions of this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 244.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NASHUA, CHANGING THE
ELECTION FROM ANNUAL TO BIENNIAL.

Sect. 1. City elections biennially in November.
2. Board of education.
3. This act to be inoperative unless adopted
by a majority vote.

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

Sect. 1. That after the annual election for 1881 the meeting of
the inhabitants of the city of Nashua for the choice of city and
ward officers shall be held biennially, on the Tuesday next after

City elections biennially in November.
the first Monday in November; that the first election under this act shall be held in November, 1882; that all city and ward officers chosen by the people shall be elected by ballot, and shall hold their respective offices for two years from the second Monday in November, and until others are elected and qualified, unless a different intention appears.

Sect. 2. The board of education in said city shall be composed of twelve persons, six of whom shall be chosen at every biennial election after 1882, and by general ticket, and shall hold their offices for four years and until others are elected and qualified. And at said November election, 1882, twelve persons shall be so chosen for said board of education, six of whom shall go out of office on the second Monday of November, 1884, and six on the second Monday of November, 1886, which shall be determined by lot among said twelve, to be made at the first session of the board after their election in 1882. Said board of education shall choose a president and clerk from their own number, and any vacancy in said board occurring from any cause shall be filled by the city councils in convention with said board of education, by joint ballot and by major vote; and no person shall be a member of the city councils and board of education at the same time.

Sect. 3. That in case this act shall be adopted by a majority of the legal voters present and voting in the several wards of said city at the annual meeting thereof to be held in November, 1881, the same and the provisions thereof shall go into effect and be applicable to and be in operation for and at the November election in said city in the year 1882; and the selectmen of the several wards in said city shall insert in their warrants for the annual meeting to be held in November next an article in substance as follows: Shall the act passed at the June session of the legislature for 1881, entitled "An act to amend the charter of the city of Nashua, changing the election from annual to biennial," be adopted? And the sense of said voters shall be taken thereon by ballot; and the result of said balloting shall be certified by the clerk of the several wards on the day of election to the board of mayor and aldermen, and the mayor shall make seasonable proclamation of the result; and in case this act shall not be so adopted, its provisions shall be inoperative and void.

Sect. 4. All city and ward officers who shall be chosen at the annual election in 1881, and all officers elected or appointed by the city councils or by the mayor and aldermen, shall hold their respective offices until others are elected and qualified in their stead.

Sect. 5. All the provisions of the charter of said city and the amendments thereto now in force shall, so far as the same are applicable to and consistent with the provisions of this act, continue in force and be in operation after the adoption of this act, and so far as the same are inapplicable to and inconsistent therewith shall be repealed.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]
CHAPTER 245.

AN ACT TO DISANNEX GEORGE FISHER AND PETER DUPREY FROM HANOVER, AND ANNEX THE SAME TO CANAAN, FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.


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

Sect. 1. That George Fisher and Peter Duprey be and hereby are disannexed from school-district number fifteen in Hanover, and annexed to school-district number twenty in Canaan, for school purposes.

Sect. 2. The selectmen of Hanover shall pay to the treasurer of the town of Canaan each year, for the benefit of school-district number twenty in said Canaan, such proportional part of the school money assigned to school-district number fifteen in Hanover as the number of scholars of said Fisher and Duprey shall be of the whole number of scholars in said school-district number fifteen in Hanover.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 246.

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR COMPLETING THE NEW ZEALAND RIVER RAILROAD.


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

Sect. 1. That the time for the organization and completion of the New Zealand Railroad is hereby extended to the thirty-first day of December, 1887.

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

[Approved August, 18, 1881.]
CHAPTER 247.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 1. That Stillson Hutchins, G. B. Chandler, Daniel Marcy, Ossian Ray, Henry Colony, Josiah Minot, Joseph B. Walker, Jacob Benton, Frank Jones, Sylvester Minot, Frank A. McKeen, Mason W. Tappan, J. F. Cloutman, A. W. Sulloway, Joseph Stickney, William E. Chandler, M. Addey, George T. Cuft, Henry C. Sherburne, Edson C. Eastman, George E. Dame, John H. George, Irving W. Drew, George P. Rowell, Gilman Marston, Charles R. Corning, John W. Sanborn, John A. White, James O. Adams, Charles E. Tilton, Charles H. Greenleaf, Joseph C. Moore, Samuel D. Thompson, P. C. Cheney, A. S. Batchelor, Isaac Adams, Hosea W. Parker, Charles R. Milliken, Henry O. Kent, Arthur L. Meserve, Moody Currier, E. F. Mann, Charles J. Amidon, W. H. Shurtleff, F. H. Mason, George C. Gilmore, Alonzo Nute, Marshal C. Wentworth, Ezra H. Winchester, Hiram Hitchcock, Sherburne R. Merrill, John T. Busiel, Joseph A. Dodge, Charles F. Eastman, Walter Aiken, Alonzo H. Quint, Oscar F. Barron, John H. Barron, Geo. A. Bingham, Horace W. Wilder, W. S. Lamb, John McMillan, Jeremiah Smith, Warren Noyes, John B. Clarke, Warren F.Daniell, Natt Head, J. F. Seavey, James A. Weston, Walter Harriman, Al- son L. Brown, Charles O. Moses, James F. Briggs, John H. Pearson, Frederick Smyth, Waterman Smith, Daniel Merriman, Henry O. Parker, H. H. Metcalf, John N. McClintock, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and hereby are made a body politic and corporate by the name of the New Hampshire State Improvement Association, for the purpose of opening, improving, and adorning the highways in the mountain and lake regions of the state; of stocking and cultivating fish and game in natural or artificial ponds, lakes, parks, or preserves, and to provide for the taking of the same under such regulations as shall not conflict with the laws of the state; of discovering, developing, conserving, protecting, and making available and accessible the natural scenery and attractions of the state; and such other objects not inconsistent therewith as they may deem desirable or necessary. And said corporation may sue and be sued, defend and be defended, have and use a common seal, establish subsidiary associations with like objects, and adopt all by-laws and regulations which may be neces-
sary to carry out the purposes of this act, and shall be vested with all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the liabilities by law incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Sect. 2. The capital stock of said corporation may consist of one thousand shares of one hundred dollars each, and the same may be increased by a vote of the shareholders to a sum not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may purchase, take, and hold, by deed, gift, bequest, devise, trust, or otherwise, real and personal estate for the purposes of said corporation to an amount not exceeding at one time five hundred thousand dollars, and may improve, use, sell, and convey or otherwise dispose of the same at pleasure; and any subsidiary associations, if duly authorized by this corporation, may, under the provisions of this act and such rules and regulations as this association may prescribe, hold real estate or personal property for like purposes, to an amount in value in each not exceeding at any one time the sum of five thousand dollars.

Sect. 4. The first two named persons in this act may call the first meeting of this corporation by publishing a notice in some paper printed in Concord or Manchester two weeks before the time of meeting.

Sect. 5. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act, when it is made to appear that the public good requires it.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect from its passage.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

CHAPTER 248.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANCHESTER WAR VETERANS.

Sect.
1. Corporation constituted.
2. Company, how composed; subject to call of governor.
3. By-laws.
4. Officers.

Sect.
5. First meeting.
6. Arms; equipments; armory.
7. Subject to repeal.
8. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That David A. Paige, John W. Mears, Oscar Perkins, Levi L. Aldrich, Samuel Cooper, J. F. C. Hammond, G. H. Dodge, B. L. Hartshorn, E. P. French, J. M. House, H. C. Dickey, D. H. Dickey, W. H. Minot, R. Stearns, A. P. Hall, and Owen Duffy, their associates and successors, who now are or may hereafter be members of the military company known as the Manchester War Veterans, be and hereby are made a body corporate and politic by the name of the Manchester War Veterans, and may exercise all the powers and be subject to all the liabilities of similar corpora-
Chapters enacted and takes 1881.

**Company, how composed.**
Subject to call of governor.

**By-laws.**

Subject to repeal.

Takes effect—when.

**Sect. 2.** Said company may consist of not more than fifty-one veterans of the late war, rank and file, to be raised by voluntary enlistment, and said company shall be subject to the call of the governor in case of public emergency.

**Sect. 3.** Said corporation, when organized, may adopt such by-laws and regulations as may be thought expedient, not repugnant to the laws of the state,—
1st. To regulate the number of officers of the company, their term of office, and the mode of choosing them.
2d. To provide the mode of recruiting and discharging members, and to regulate the uniforms and equipments.
3d. To provide for the laying of assessments.
4th. And all other by-laws and regulations necessary in promoting the objects of the company.

**Sect. 4.** The officers of said company shall be commissioned by the governor, and shall hold their commissions for such time as the by-laws shall prescribe.

**Sect. 5.** The said David A. Paige, John W. Mears, Oscar Perkins, or either two of them, may call the first meeting of said company by publishing a notice of the time and place thereof in some newspaper published in Manchester, one week prior thereto.

**Sect. 6.** Said company shall receive from the state so many rifles and equipments, together with the old uniforms they now have, not exceeding fifty-one, upon the officers of the company or other responsible persons' giving bonds to the state, with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the adjutant-general. Said company shall receive from the state annually a sum sufficient to pay the rent of a proper place for the safe keeping of the property of the state, not exceeding one hundred dollars.

**Sect. 7.** The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

**Sect. 8.** This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

[Approved August 18, 1881.]

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**CHAPTER 249.**

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANCHESTER CADETS OF MANCHESTER.

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

**Sect. 1.** That Frank H. Challis, George E. Lull, Charles E. Bisco, Hervey M. Bennett, Lucius B. Snelling, Elmer W. Stearns,
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Charles W. Brown, Frank E. Webster, Frank B. Stevens, J. Arthur Williams, Charles W. Knowlton, Harry P. Ray, Will S. Moody, their associates and successors, who now are or may hereafter be members of the military association known as the Manchester Cadets, be and hereby are made a body corporate and politic by the name of the Manchester Cadets, and may exercise all the powers and be subject to all the liabilities of similar corporations; and said corporation is hereby empowered to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Sect. 2. Said association may consist of not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five members, rank and file, to be raised by voluntary enlistments, and constitute and be organized as a distinct and independent company, to be under the command of the governor of the state.

Sect. 3. Said corporation, when organized, may adopt all such by-laws and regulations to regulate the number of officers of the association, the mode of choosing the same, to provide the mode of admitting and discharging members and to regulate their uniform and equipments, to provide for the levying assessments, and such other by-laws and regulations as may be deemed necessary for the management of said association, not repugnant to the laws of this state.

Sect. 4. The officers of said company shall be commissioned by the governor, and hold their commissions for such time as the by-laws shall prescribe.

Sect. 5. Said company shall receive from the state so many rifles and equipments as may be necessary to arm the company, not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five, upon the company officers or other responsible persons giving bond with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the adjutant-general, for the safe keeping and return of such rifles and equipments when required by the authority of the state. The necessary expense for the rent of an armory in which said arms and equipments shall be kept, when not in actual use, not exceeding one hundred dollars a year, shall be allowed by the governor, and paid on his order to the commander of the company, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant therefor.

Sect. 6. The said Frank H. Challis, George E. Lull, Charles E. Bisco, or any two of them, may call the first meeting of said corporation by publishing a notice of the time and place thereof, in some newspaper published in Manchester, one week prior thereto.

Sect. 7. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
**CHAPTER 250.**

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE A WATER AND FIRE DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF ROCHESTER.

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**Selectmen to fix boundaries of district.**

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

**Sect. 1.** Upon petition of ten or more legal voters, inhabitants of the town of Rochester, the selectmen of said town shall fix, by suitable boundaries, a water and fire district, including such village or villages and such parts of the town adjacent as may seem to them convenient, and make a record thereof.

**Sect. 2.** Said selectmen shall notify a meeting of the legal voters residing in said district, in the same manner in which town-meetings are required by law to be called, the notice for such meeting being posted at two public places in said district. At such meeting the legal voters may by major vote establish such district, and shall thereupon be invested with the powers specified in this chapter, and when so formed shall constitute a body politic and corporate, and by such name as said district shall fix 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. 3.** The voters at said meeting and at each annual meeting shall elect, by ballot, a moderator, clerk, superintendent, and treasurer, and so many engineers and water commissioners as they shall deem necessary, not exceeding three each; and said moderator, clerk, and water commissioners of said district shall exercise in relation to the district meetings the like powers to those of moderator, clerk, and selectmen of towns; and the engineers and clerk shall have, in said district, the same powers and perform the same duties as like officers in towns, and the firemen by them appointed shall have the same rights and be subject to the same duties as firemen in towns; and the water commissioners and superintendent shall have full charge and control of all the water-works other than the fire hydrants, and a major vote of those present and voting at any annual or special meeting shall govern all matters voted upon.

**Sect. 4.** That such district is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, manage, maintain, and own suitable water-works for the purpose of introducing into and distributing through such district an adequate supply of fresh water in subterranean pipes for extinguishing fires and for the use of its citizens and for other
proper uses, 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 necessary for the carrying into effect the
provisions of this act, and to excavate and dig canals and ditches
in any street, place, square, passway, highway, common, or other
place through which it may be deemed necessary for said pipes
and water-works to pass, for the purpose of placing said pipes and
other material as may be deemed necessary and proper for building
said water-works, and relay, change, and repair the same at plea-
sure, having due regard for the safety of its citizens and the secu-
ritv of the public travel.

Sect. 5. Said district is authorized and empowered to enter
upon, take, and appropriate any streams, springs, or ponds in any
town (not belonging to any aqueduct company), and to secure, by
fence or otherwise, such streams, springs, or ponds, and to raise by
dam or dams, and lower by canals, excavations, or ditches, the
waters in said streams, springs, or ponds, and to dig ditches,
canals, make excavations, or reservoirs through, over, in, or upon
any land or enclosure through which it may be necessary for said
water-works, pipes, or aqueducts to pass, or said excavations,
reservoirs, and water-works to be or exist, so far as it may be
deaned necessary and proper for the purpose of obtaining, accu-
mulating, preserving, holding, and conducting water for the use of
said water-works, and to place pipes and aqueducts, and to make
other suitable works and buildings, for building, maintaining, op-
erating, rebuilding, and repairing said water-works, with the right
to re-lay, change, and repair the same at pleasure.

Sect. 6. In case said district shall enter upon, take, and ap-
propriate any real estate, rights in real estate, water rights, streams,
springs, ponds, and rights as aforesaid, or shall so make its dams,
aqueducts, and pipes, canals, excavations, and ditches as to raise
or lower the water in any stream, spring, or pond, or to affect the
supply of water therefrom to any mills or privileges, to the injury
of any person having rights to said water, and shall not agree with
the owner or party injured upon the damages to be paid by said
district therefor, or such owners shall be unknown, said district or
said owner or party injured may apply to the supreme court for
the county in which said district is situate, at the trial term there-
of, to have the same laid out and damages assessed and deter-
mined; and said court shall refer the same to the county commis-
sioners for such 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,
after due notice to the parties interested and a hearing, shall assess
and award the damages to the party entitled thereto, and make
report in writing to said court, and shall file with the clerk of said
district and with the town-clerk of the towns in which such assess-
ments and award of damages shall be made, the assessment and
award of damages so made. If either party shall desire, upon ap-
plication 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.
Sect. 7. All contracts and obligations made by said district with any person or corporation for the purpose of acquiring and securing any real estate, rights in real estate, water rights, streams, springs, ponds, or rights as aforesaid, or water for the uses and purposes of the water-works authorized by this act, or for the purpose of adjusting any damages thereby, shall be valid and binding according to the terms thereof.

Sect. 8. Said district is also authorized by major vote at any meeting to borrow or hire such sums of money on the credit of said district as may from time to time be deemed advisable, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of purchasing real estate, rights in real estate, water rights, streams, springs, ponds, and rights as aforesaid, and of constructing, maintaining, and operating said water-works, and to issue notes or bonds of the district therefor, payable at such times and at such rates of interest, not exceeding six per cent. annually, as may be thought proper, and also to levy such taxes as may at any time be deemed advisable, for the same purpose or for the purpose of paying any sums borrowed therefor as aforesaid, which votes shall be certified by the clerk to the selectmen; and the taxes so levied shall be assessed, collected, and paid over to the treasurer of said district, in the same manner as school-district taxes are assessed and collected.

Sect. 9. Said district is also authorized and empowered to contract with individuals and corporations for supplying them with water, and to make such contracts and to establish such regulations and tolls for the use of water as may from time to time be deemed proper.

Sect. 10. A meeting of said district shall be annually held, at such time as the district may determine, at which said water commissioners and engineers shall respectively submit their accounts of their receipts and disbursements for allowance, and make report of the condition of the property of the district in their care; and special meetings may be called when there shall be occasion.

Sect. 11. The boundaries of any district fixed under the provisions of this act may be changed in the manner provided for the establishment of said district by sections one and two hereof.

Sect. 12. The legal voters of any district established by this act may by a two-thirds vote terminate the existence of said district and dispose of its corporate property.

Sect. 13. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 251.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE DOVER HORSE RAILROAD.

Sect. 1. Corporation constituted.
Sect. 2. Road—by whom laid out.
Sect. 3. Tolls and franchises.
Sect. 4. Motive power, and rate of speed.
Sect. 5. Liability for damages.
Sect. 6. Penalty for maliciously obstructing.
Sect. 7. Capital stock.
Sect. 8. Directors and other officers.
Sect. 9. Real estate.
Sect. 10. Grade of road-bed.
Sect. 11. Power of city over streets.
Sect. 13. First meeting.
Sect. 14. Subject to repeal; takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That Charles H. Sawyer, Charles M. Murphy, Benjamin Collins, Mark F. Nason, James F. Seavey, Daniel S. Ward, Harrison Haley, and Thomas J. Smith, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate and politic by the name of the Dover Horse Railroad, with power to construct, maintain, and use a railroad, with convenient single or double track, from any point on Linden street near the Bellamy River bridge in Dover, over, along, and upon such of the streets in said Dover as may be necessary for the public accommodation, to some point in the highway near the dwelling-house of Harrison Haley in said Dover, with branches and side tracks to such other points in said city as the public accommodation may require.

Sect. 2. Said railroad shall be laid out by the mayor and aldermen of said Dover, in the like manner as highways are laid out; and said mayor and aldermen shall give notice to all the landowners abutting on the streets or highways through which such proposed railroad shall pass of the time and place of hearing in reference to such laying out, by publication in such of the newspapers printed in said Dover as they shall direct fifteen days at least before such hearing, and they shall determine the distance at which the tracks shall be laid from the sidewalks.

Sect. 3. Said corporation shall have the power to fix, from time to time, such rates of compensation for transporting persons and property on said railroad as they deem reasonable, and shall be subject to the duties and liabilities and possess all the rights and privileges by law incident to railroad corporations, so far as the same shall be applicable.

Sect. 4. Said railroad may be operated by such horse or other motive power as may be authorized by the mayor and aldermen, who shall have the power to make all such regulations as to the rate of speed and the mode of use of said railroad as the public safety and convenience may require.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall keep in repair such portions of the streets or highways as are occupied by their tracks, and shall be liable to pay for any loss or damage arising by reason of the negligence, carelessness, or misconduct of their agents or servants; and in case any recovery is had against said Dover for defect or
want of repair in or use of said railroad, said corporation shall be liable to pay the same, together with all reasonable costs and expenses.

Sect. 6. Any person wilfully or maliciously obstructing said corporation in the use of said railroad, or the passage of any carriages thereon, or who shall aid, abet, or counsel the same, shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months; and if said corporation or its agents or servants shall wilfully or maliciously obstruct any highway, they shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Sect. 7. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of twelve thousand dollars, divided into shares of fifty dollars each, and the same may be increased by a vote of the stockholders to a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

Sect. 8. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, not exceeding seven, to be chosen by the stockholders at the annual meetings, and who shall hold office till others are chosen in their places. Said board of directors shall elect a president, clerk, and treasurer, who shall give such bond as they shall determine, and such other officers and agents as may be found necessary, and fix their duties and compensation.

Sect. 9. Said corporation shall have power to hold such real estate as may be necessary.

Sect. 10. Said railroad shall be constructed at such grade as may be determined by said mayor and aldermen, and if it shall be necessary to alter the grade of any street or highway, it shall be done at the expense of the railroad.

Sect. 11. Said city of Dover shall have power to take up the streets through which the railroad may pass, for the same purposes and in the same manner they may now do, doing no unnecessary damage to the railroad.

Sect. 12. Said corporation may make such by-laws as may be needed, not inconsistent with the laws of the state, and may fix the time and place of holding the annual meeting.

Sect. 13. Any three of the first five persons named as 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, at which first meeting, or any adjournment thereof, by-laws may be adopted and directors chosen, who shall hold offices till the first annual meeting after said first meeting.

Sect. 14. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever in their opinion the public good may require, and this act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 252.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN CAMP-MEETING ASSOCIATION, APPROVED JULY 2, 1875.

Sect.
1. Appointment of agents not to be ratified by selectmen.

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

Sect. 1. That section two of the charter of the White Mountain Camp-Meeting Association is hereby amended by striking out the following words: "Provided that the appointment of said agents be ratified by the selectmen of the town where the meeting is held," so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Sect. 2. Said corporation may purchase, take, and hold, by deed, gift, bequest, or otherwise, real and personal estate, for the purposes of said corporation, to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars, and may improve, use, sell, and convey, or otherwise dispose of the same at pleasure. Said corporation is hereby vested with authority to appoint so many special agents to act as conservators of the peace as it may deem necessary, who shall have the same power and authority, in relation to the disturbance of any meeting or any breach of the peace committed upon or about the grounds or property of said corporation, as is given by existing laws to police officers and watchmen.

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

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 253.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HARTLAND FALLS PULP MILLS.

Sect.
1. Corporation constituted.
2. Purpose, property, capital stock.
3. First meeting.

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

Sect. 1. That Moses Newton, Daniel H. Newton, and John C. Newton, all of Holyoke in the county of Hampden and state of Massachusetts, their associates, successors, and assigns, be and hereby are made a body corporate by the name of the Hartland Falls Pulp Mill, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.
Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized to establish and carry on, in the town of Plainfield in this state, such manufacture of wool, cotton, wood, paper, iron, and other metals and materials, and such other branches of business as may be necessarily connected therewith, in the improvement of the water-power on the Connecticut river in said town, and furnish power to other parties to use in such manufacturing business, and for that purpose may purchase, take, hold, and convey real and personal property not exceeding in value at any one time five hundred thousand dollars, and manage, improve, and dispose of the same at pleasure. The whole amount of the capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars.

Sect. 3. Either of the persons named in this act may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving three days’ previous notice to each of the persons named herein.

Sect. 4. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 254.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE EASTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

Sect.
1. Corporation constituted, with power to construct and manage telegraph line.
2. Capital stock.

Sect.
3. May connect with other lines.
4. First meeting.
5. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. Fred E. Richards, Lewis Barker, Louis Piercee, Frederick Robie, J. L. H. Cobb, A. F. Crockett, J. R. Bodwell, G. S. C. Dow, F. A. Wilson, David H. Buffum, Daniel Marcy, Albert L. Eastman, James A. Wood, Andrew H. Young, and Joseph F. Wiggin, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate by the name of the Eastern Telegraph Company, with all the rights and privileges and subject to all the duties provided by the general laws of this state relating to corporations, with power by that name to sue and be sued; to have and use a common seal, and the same to change at pleasure; to establish any and all by-laws and regulations for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of this state, and to do and perform any and all other legal and lawful acts incident to similar corporations; and may construct, maintain, and operate lines of telegraph within the state in all respects in accordance with the General Laws thereof.

Sect. 2. The capital stock of said company shall be of such an amount as they may from time to time determine to be necessary.
for the exclusive purpose of constructing, maintaining, and operating
the lines of telegraph hereby authorized, not exceeding one hun-
dred thousand dollars; and they may purchase, hold, and dispose
of such personal and real estate as may be necessary for that
purpose.

Sect. 3. This company shall have power, by agreement with
other persons or bodies corporate, to connect their lines with other
lines of telegraph within and without the state; but no sale or
transfer of this charter shall be made to any other company with-
out authority from the legislature of this state.

Sect. 4. Any two of the persons named in this act of incorpora-
tion may call the first meeting of the company by giving written
notice thereof to each of their associates.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
[Approved August 19, 1881.]

CHAPTER 255.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE
CITY OF CONCORD," APPROVED JULY 6, 1849.

Sect.
1. Number of aldermen and common council-
men increased.
2. Vacancy in board of selectmen—how filled.
3. Each ward to choose as many aldermen as
representatives.
4. Time of qualification of officers changed.
5. Police justice to exhibit account of fees an-
nually in January.

Sect.
7. City clerk to be chosen biennially in Jan-
uary.
8. City treasurer biennially in January.
9. Special justice of police court to exhibit
account in January annually.
10. Term of present city officers.
11. Takes effect—when.

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

Sect. 1. That the act entitled "An act to establish the city of
Concord," approved July 6, 1849, be and the same is hereby
amended by striking out the words "of seven" after the word
"council" in the fifth line of section two of said act, and inserting in
place thereof the words "consisting of as many members from each
ward as that ward is entitled to representatives to the general
court." And said act is also hereby so amended that each ward
shall be entitled to as many members of the board of common
council of said city as it is entitled to members of the board of al-
dermen.

Sect. 2. That section five of said act be amended by adding to
said section the following: "And whenever there shall be a vacan-
cy in the office of selectmen, in any of the wards of said city of
Concord, by death, resignation, or otherwise, the board of mayor
and aldermen may elect some suitable person, in the ward in which
such vacancy occurs, to fill such vacancy; and all selectmen thus
chased shall have all the powers, perform all the duties, and be subject to all the liabilities of such office, and shall hold their offices till a new election, or till others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

Sect. 3. That section seven of said act be amended by striking out the words "one alderman" after the word "choose" in the first line, and substituting in place thereof the words "as many aldermen as that ward is entitled to representatives to the general court."

Sect. 4. That section four of an act entitled "An act in amendment of an act entitled 'An act to establish the city of Concord,'" approved August 16, 1878, be amended by striking out the words "on the Tuesday next after the day of their election" in the third and fourth lines, and inserting in place thereof the words "on the fourth Tuesday of January next after their election;'" and by striking out the words "on the Tuesday next after the day of their election" in the sixth and seventh lines of said section four, and substituting in place thereof the words "fourth Tuesday of January next after their election."

Sect. 5. That section five of said last mentioned act be and the same is hereby repealed, and the word "January" in section sixteen of the original act is hereby revived.

Sect. 6. That section six of said last mentioned act be amended by striking out the word "October," and inserting in place thereof the word "January."

Sect. 7. That section seven of said last mentioned act be amended by striking out, after the word biennially, the words "on the Tuesday next after the day of their election," and substituting in place thereof the words "on the fourth Tuesday of January next after their election."

Sect. 8. That section eight of said last mentioned act be amended by striking out the word "November," and inserting in place thereof the word "January."

Sect. 9. That section ten of said last mentioned act be and the same is hereby repealed, and the word "January" in section two of an act entitled "An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Concord," approved June 24, 1858, be hereby revived.

Sect. 10. That all city officers elected in November last shall hold their offices till the fourth Tuesday of January, 1883.

Sect. 11. This act shall be void unless the city government or the inhabitants of the city of Concord, at a legal meeting called for that purpose, shall, by a majority vote of the legal voters present and voting thereon by ballot, determine to adopt the same, and the various sections of this act shall be valid when so ratified; and said sections may be separately acted upon and adopted or rejected by said city government or by said inhabitants; and said city government shall duly provide for holding a meeting of such inhabitants to vote on any sections which may not be adopted by the city government.

[Approved August 19, 1881.]
CHAPTER 256.

AN ACT FOR THE REVISON OF THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DOVER.

SECT.
1. City divided into five wards.
2. Annual meeting.
3. Aldermen and councilmen.
4. Selectmen, clerk, moderator, vacancies.
5. Board of assessors.
6. Mayor to have casting vote—when.
7. Qualification of mayor, aldermen, and councilmen.
8. City-clerk's election.
9. Supervision of custody and disbursement of money, etc.
10. Salary of police justice.
11. Supervisors of check-lists and elections.
12. To prepare lists of voters.
13. Meeting for revision of lists.

SECT.
15. Inspectors of voting.
17. Aldermen to decide contested elections.
18. Water-works.
19. Assessment of damages.
21. City may borrow money, levy taxes, and issue bonds.
22. Four next preceding sections not in force until ratified by ballot.
23. City a school-district.
24. Election of school committee.
25. Superintendent of schools.
26. Board of instruction to hold till January.
27. Repealing clause.

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

Ward 1.

Ward 1. The dividing lines between wards one and two of said city 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 of Harrison Haley to the junction of said road with the road leading from Willand’s pond, so called, to Dover; thence by said last mentioned road to Franklin street; thence by the centre of Franklin street to its junction with Third street; thence by the centre of Third street to Chestnut street; thence by the centre of Chestnut street to the Cocheco river; and all the territory in said city lying northerly of said above described line between said Cocheco river and the town lines of Rollinsford and Somersworth shall be included in and constitute ward one in said city.

Ward 2.

Ward 2. Ward two shall contain all that part of said city lying northerly of said Cocheco river not included in ward one, as hereinbefore set forth, excepting that part of said city included between said river and a line commencing at the centre of Central Street bridge; thence running by said Central street to Main street; thence by Main street to its junction with School street; thence by the line of School street to Cocheco street; thence by Cocheco street to Rogers street; thence to the Cocheco river, in a direct line, which, if continued, would join Payne street at its junction with the lane leading to the Hale farm.

Ward 3.

Ward 3. The dividing line between wards three and four in said city shall hereafter be as follows: Commencing at the line separating Dover from the town of Madbury, at a point where said line is crossed by the track of the Boston & Maine Railroad; thence running by said
railroad track to the centre of the bridge where the Littleworth road crosses said railroad; thence by the centre of said Littleworth road to Silver street; thence by the centre of Silver street to Locust street; thence by the centre of Locust street to St. Thomas street; thence by St. Thomas street to Central street; thence the line between said ward three and ward five in said city shall extend from the junction of said St. Thomas street with Central street; by Central street to Orchard street; thence by Orchard street to Walnut street; thence by Walnut street to Waldron street; thence on a direct line to the foot of Chestnut street at the division line between wards one and two; and all the territory in said city lying northerly or north-westerly of the above described line, and between said line and the boundaries of wards one and two as constituted by this act, shall be included in and constitute ward three in said city.

Ward 4. Ward four in said city shall contain all the territory in said city lying southerly of said Cocheco river not included in ward three as constituted in this act, excepting that part included between said river and a line commencing at the junction of Cocheco street with Rogers street; thence running in a direct line to the junction of Payne street with the line leading to the Hale farm; thence westerly by Payne street to Hanson street; thence by Hanson street to Sonnet street; thence by the southerly line of Sonnet street to George street; thence on the same direct line to the westerly side of George street; thence on a direct line to the north-easterly corner of Jonas D. Townsend's land; thence to the junction of Kirkland street with Central street; thence by Central street to Orchard street; thence by Orchard street to Walnut street; thence by Walnut street to Waldron street; thence to the northerly side of the Cocheco river at the foot of Chestnut street.

Ward 5. Ward five in said city shall consist of and include all that part of said city contained within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning on the Cocheco river at the foot of Chestnut street, at the division line between wards one and two; thence running easterly by said river to the centre of Central Street bridge; thence by Central street to Main street; thence by Main street to its junction with School street; thence by the line of School street to Cocheco street; thence by Cocheco street to Rogers street; thence in a direct line to the junction of Payne street with the lane leading to the Hale farm; thence westerly by Payne street to Hanson street; thence by Hanson street to Sonnet street; thence by the southerly line of Sonnet street to George street; thence in the same direct line to the westerly side of George street; thence in the same direct line to the north-easterly corner of land of Jonas D. Townsend; thence to the junction of Kirkland street with Central street; thence by Central street to Orchard street; thence by Orchard street to Walnut street; thence by Walnut street to Waldron street; thence to the place of beginning.

Sect. 2. The annual meeting of the inhabitants of said city for the choice of city and ward officers shall be holden on the fourth Tuesday of November; and all city, ward, and town officers who are chosen by the people shall be chosen by ballot, and the terms of their said offices, except those of the school committee, shall
commence on the first Wednesday of January next following such election.

Sect. 3. At such annual municipal election one alderman shall be chosen from each ward for the term of two years, and three members of the common council for the term of one year, and the present incumbents in said offices shall continue for the full term for which they were severally elected.

Sect. 4. At each annual municipal election the inhabitants of each ward in said city shall choose three selectmen, a clerk, and moderator, who, being duly sworn, shall perform and discharge respectively the duties of said offices for said wards for the term of one year from the first Wednesday in January next following said election, and until others are chosen and qualified to act in their stead. In case of any vacancy in either of said offices in any ward in said city, the city councils, in convention, shall fill such vacancy at their first regular meeting after such vacancy shall occur.

Sect. 5. There shall be a board of assessors in said city, of whom each ward, at the annual municipal election, shall be entitled to choose one, and one shall be chosen by the city councils. The term of office of said assessors shall be two years, and until others are chosen and qualified to act in their stead. Wards one, three, and five shall each choose one of said board at one election, namely, in 1881, and wards two and four at the alternate election; and the present members of said board shall continue in said office for the full term for which they were chosen. In case of any vacancy in said board, the city councils, in convention, shall fill such vacancy at their first regular meeting after such vacancy shall occur.

Sect. 6. The mayor of said city, in addition to the powers conferred on him as presiding officer of the board of aldermen, and of the joint convention of the city councils, shall have, when acting as such presiding officer, in case of an equal division upon a motion, or in case of an equal division between two candidates, the right to give a casting vote.

Sect. 7. The mayor, aldermen, and common council shall meet in convention, for the purpose of being qualified, on the first Wednesday in January, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and the oaths of office shall be administered and the records of the same shall be made in the same manner as now prescribed by chapter forty-six, sections four and five, of the General Laws of the state of New Hampshire.

Sect. 8. The city councils shall annually, on the first Wednesday in January, meet in convention and elect by joint ballot a city-clerk, whose term of office shall continue for one year, and until another shall be chosen and qualified to act in his stead, removable, however, at the pleasure of the city councils. He shall perform all the duties and exercise all the powers incumbent on and vested in him by the General Laws of said state; and said office shall be held by the present incumbent during the full term for which he was elected, unless sooner removed.

Sect. 9. The city councils shall secure a just and prompt accountability from all persons entrusted with the receipt, custody, or disbursement of the money, funds, or other property of the city.
and no money shall be paid out of the city treasury unless previously granted and appropriated by the city council. The city council shall have the care and superintendence of the city buildings and other city property, and the power to let or sell what may be legally let or sold, and to purchase property, real and personal, in the name and for the use of the city, whenever the interests or convenience of the city require it. The city council shall, once in every year at least, publish for the use and information of the inhabitants a particular account of the receipts and expenditures of the city, and a schedule of the property and means and of the debts of the city. The city councils shall have power to regulate the returning and keeping bills of mortality, and to impose penalties on physicians, sextons, and others for any default in the premises.

Sect. 10. The salary of the justice of the police court of said city shall be six hundred dollars per annum, to be paid in quarterly payments out of the city treasury; and the salary so received shall be in full for services of every kind rendered by him as justice of said court.

Sect. 11. At each biennial election there shall be chosen in each ward of said city, by a plurality vote of the legal voters thereof, a supervisor of check-lists, who shall hold his office for two years and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead, and who shall constitute a board of supervisors of elections of all the wards in said city. The board of supervisors of elections shall choose a chairman and clerk from their own number; and the city council shall appoint a suitable person to fill any vacancy which may occur in said board of supervisors.

Sect. 12. Said supervisors shall prepare, revise, and post up, in the manner required by law, an alphabetical list of all legal voters in each ward, and for that purpose shall have access to any books or lists belonging to said city, or to any ward in said city, and shall have the assistance of any of the city or ward officers they may require; and they shall deliver an attested copy of the lists of voters so prepared and corrected to the clerks of the respective wards, and the said ward-clerks shall use the lists of voters so prepared and corrected, and no others, at the election in said wards. In preparing the list of voters, said supervisors shall record the first or Christian name of each voter in full, but may use initial letters to designate the middle name of any voter.

Sect. 13. The said board of supervisors shall be in session at the city hall building, or such other place as they shall designate, for the purpose of revising and correcting the lists of voters, six days at least before the state elections, and three days before other elections, within six months next preceding the day of election, the last two sessions to be held within one week of said election, from nine o'clock A.M. till noon, and from two o'clock till five o'clock P.M., on each of said days; and said board of supervisors shall be in session on election days from eight o'clock A.M. till noon, and from two o'clock to three o'clock P.M., so that in case the name of any person has been omitted from the check-list, and who the supervisors are satisfied is a legal voter agreeably to the provisions of chapter twenty-nine, section one, of the General
Laws, the supervisors shall certify the same to the moderator, who shall receive his vote; and the ward-clerk shall check the name of the person so voting, on the back of said certificate, and shall return the same to the city-clerk with the check-list. In regulating the check-list, the board of supervisors shall have all the powers granted and perform all the duties prescribed in sections five, six, seven, and eight of chapter thirty of the General Laws.

Sect. 14. The certificates of election of representatives to the general court from each ward shall be made, certified, and signed by the clerk thereof, and said certificate shall be in the form prescribed by law.

Sect. 15. The board of supervisors shall, at and for every election, appoint two inspectors of voting, one from each of the leading political parties in each ward, who shall attend the ward-room or place of election to which designated on election days; shall have access to the desk or place where the check-list and ballot-box are kept; shall see that no fraudulent vote is cast by parties personating others, or in any other way; that voters have proper access to the polls. They shall be entitled to such a position in the desk or room where the balloting is done as shall give them an opportunity at all times to examine the check-list and witness the checking; and they shall also be entitled to have the ballot-box or boxes in which the ballots are deposited kept in such place and position that they may see and protect it from fraud during the balloting and until the votes are counted and declared; and neither said ballot-box or boxes, or the votes contained therein, shall be carried from the presence of such inspectors from the time the polls are opened until the polls are closed and the votes declared; they shall see that the moderator, in receiving votes and in counting the same in the presence of the selectmen, and the clerk, in checking names, are not interfered with or molested.

Sect. 16. All the ballots cast at each election in the several wards shall be preserved; and after they shall have been counted, the moderator shall deliver all the ballots given in to the clerk of the ward, and the clerk shall seal up said ballots, direct and deliver the same, together with the check-list used at such election, within one hour after the adjournment of such meeting, to the city-clerk.

Sect. 17. All votes cast at municipal elections shall be preserved by the city-clerk for sixty days, with the seals unbroken, except that they shall be subject during that time to the examination of either branch of the city government in determining the election of its own members; and the board of aldermen shall have power to decide all cases of contested election of persons chosen to office by any ward, and for that purpose shall have power to examine the votes preserved as above.

Sect. 18. Said city may construct, manage, and own suitable water-works in said city for the purpose of introducing an adequate supply of water for extinguishing fires, for the use of the citizens, and for such other purposes as water may be required in said city; and for that purpose they may take, purchase, and hold real estate not exceeding in value the sum of sixty thousand dollars, and erect, construct, and maintain such dams, reservoirs, and buildings as may be necessary for such water-works, and dig ditches and break
up ground in the highways and streets of said city, place and maintain pipes therein for conducting water, and re-lay and change the same from time to time, due regard being paid to the safety of the citizens and the security of public travel: Provided, that the said city, before availing itself of the privileges herein conferred, shall purchase at a fair and equitable valuation all the aqueduct property of the Dover Aqueduct Company, the Cocheo Aqueduct Company, and the Dover Landing Aqueduct, or such of them as shall at the time of such purchase be in active operation; and should said city and either of said companies be unable to agree upon what shall be a fair price for their said property, either party may apply to the supreme court for the county of Strafford for estimating the value of said property; and the value placed upon said property by said court shall be final as between said parties, and for the purpose of purchase as hereinbefore set forth.

SECT. 10. If said city shall not be able, in the opinion of the board of aldermen of said city, to obtain and secure, on reasonable terms, the necessary lands and rights of water for said works, including the right to lay and maintain pipes required, the said city may apply to the county commissioners for the county of Strafford for the assessment of damages to the owner of such lands or rights of water; and said commissioners, after notice to the parties and hearing, if it appear to them that any land, rights of water, or rights to lay and maintain pipes are required for said water-works and cannot be purchased or secured on reasonable terms, shall assess and award damages to the owner of such land or rights adjudged by them to be required by the city for the purpose of said water-works, which assessment and award shall be in writing and filed in the office of the city-clerk of said city as soon as may be after the same is completed, and upon payment or tender to the owner of the sum assessed the rights of the city to the same shall become vested and complete; but such owner shall have the same right of appeal from said assessment to the supreme court as exists in the case of lands taken for highways in this state by action of said commissioners.

SECT. 20. The said city is authorized to contract with individuals and corporations for supplying said corporations and individuals with water, and to make such contracts, establish such tolls, and charge such rent for use of water as shall be deemed reasonable, and for the more convenient management of said works may place the same, either before or after they are constructed, under the direction of a superintendent or board of water commissioners or both, and the duties of such officer or officers shall be defined by vote of the city councils.

SECT. 21. The said city is authorized to levy taxes to defray the expense of said water-works, and to borrow money, not exceeding in the whole the sum of two hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, and to issue the notes, bonds, or other obligations of the city therefor, payable at such time or times and on such interest as the city councils shall determine at a legal meeting of the city councils of said city, and such bonds and notes or other obligations shall be legal and binding upon said city.
Sect. 22. Sections eighteen, nineteen, twenty, and twenty-one hereof shall not be in force, and no action thereunder shall be taken by the said city of Dover unless the same shall be ratified and confirmed by a major vote of the qualified voters of said city, voting in their respective wards at a special election to be called therefor. Said vote shall be by ballot, and said ballot shall be in manner and form following: "Shall the city of Dover adopt the provisions of sections eighteen, nineteen, twenty, and twenty-one of the charter of the city of Dover, passed [giving date of the passage thereof] authorizing said city to establish water-works—Yes—no."

Sect. 23. Said city shall constitute one school-district, and, in addition to the rights, duties, and liabilities of a city, shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges and be subjected to all the duties and liabilities of a school-district, and all the powers by law vested in school-districts shall be vested in said city and exercised by the city councils of said city, except as hereinafter provided.

Sect. 24. There shall be a school committee for said city which shall be elected as follows: At the next annual municipal election next after the passage of this act there shall be chosen by ballot by the qualified voters of each ward two persons,—one thereof for the term of one year and one thereof for the term of two years,—and any citizen of said city shall be eligible for election by any ward: thereafter one person shall be chosen by each ward at each annual municipal election for the term of two years. The city councils shall also, on the first Wednesday of January next after the passage of this act, in convention, elect by ballot four persons, two of whom shall serve for one year and two for the term of two years; and thereafter, annually, on the first Wednesday of January, the city councils shall elect two persons as aforesaid for the term of two years. The persons so chosen by said wards and city councils shall constitute a school committee, and their term of office shall commence on the second Wednesday of January of the respective years. In case of a vacancy in the representation of any ward, the city councils shall, in convention as aforesaid, fill said vacancy until the next annual municipal election, when the same shall be filled by the ward in which said vacancy occurs; but in case of a vacancy in the number chosen by the city councils, the said city councils shall, as aforesaid, fill said vacancy for the unexpired term. The city councils shall not elect any two persons from any one ward.

Sect. 25. Said school committee shall annually elect by ballot, from their own number, a chairman and secretary. They may annually, in the month of February, elect, but not from their own number, a superintendent of schools. The election of such superintendent shall be by ballot, and no person shall be chosen unless he receives the votes of the major part of all the members of said committee, and he may be removed at any time by a major vote as aforesaid. The compensation of the superintendent and secretary shall be fixed by the committee.

Sect. 26. The members of the existing board of instruction shall continue to hold office until the second Wednesday of January next after the passage of this act.
Sect. 27. All special acts in reference to the said city of Dover and not included in this act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 28. This act shall take effect on its passage.

[Approved July 29, 1881.]

CHAPTER 257.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF THE HOOKSETT MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

Sect. 1. That so much of the fourth section of the charter of the Hooksett Manufacturing Company as requires the shares of its capital stock to be numbered in progressive order beginning at number one, and every certificate of stock to express the progressive number of every share of stock represented thereby, is hereby repealed.

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

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Office of Secretary of State,
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I hereby certify that the acts and resolves contained in this pamphlet have been compared with the originals in this office, and found to be correctly printed.

A. B. THOMPSON,
Secretary of State.
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