

Proviso.

vided said *Nathaniel Gorham* shall sell and convey to said town, an equal quantity of his land adjoining said ministerial lot: And the deed or deeds to be given by the Committee of the town of *Charlestown*, to the said *Nathaniel Gorham*, shall be to every intent and purpose good and valid in law, any thing in the will of the said *Richard Sprague* to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the land which shall be conveyed by the said *Nathaniel Gorham* to the said town of *Charlestown* and annexed to said ministerial lot, shall be forever kept and held for the same purposes & uses as the said *Richard Sprague* directed that the lands by him given in his last will to the town of *Charlestown*, as aforesaid, should be appropriated.

June 17, 1789.

1789.—Chapter 7.

[May Session, ch. 7.]

AN ACT FOR REVIVING AND CONTINUING SUNDRY LAWS THAT ARE EXPIRED OR NEAR EXPIRING.

Preamble.

Whereas the several Acts hereafter mentioned which are now expired, or near expiring, have been found useful and beneficial, *viz*—An Act made in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty seven, entitled “an Act to prevent deccit, in the gage of casks —” An Act made in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy one, entitled “an Act to prevent damage being done to the proprietors of the meadow, upland and beach, called, *great & little scipuiszet*, in the town of *Falmouth* in the County of *Barnstable*,” An Act made in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy three, entitled, “An Act for regulating the Alewife fishery in the town of *Halifax* in the County of *Plimouth*,” An Act made in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty, entitled “an Act in addition to an Act, entitled, “an Act in further addition to, and explanation of an Act, in addition to an Act, for erecting of a powder house in *Boston* ;”—An Act made in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty one, entitled, “an Act to prevent damage being done on the meadows lying in the township of *Yarmouth*, called *Nobscussett meadows*, and a small commonage of land & beaches thereto adjoining,”—An Act made in the year

of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, entitled, “an Act to prevent the destruction of Oysters, and all other shell fish lying within the harbours, rivers and bays within the limits of the towns of *Sandwich* in the County of *Barnstable*, and *Wareham* in the County of *Plimouth*, & the towns of *Dartmouth* and *Westport* in the County of *Bristol* ;”

Be it therefore enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled & by the authority of the same, that such of the before mentioned Acts, as are expired, be revived, & such of the said Acts, as are not yet expired be continued, with all & every article, clause, matter and thing therein respectively contained, and shall be in force until the first day of *November* which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven and no longer.

Laws revived.

June 17, 1789.

1789. — Chapter 8.

[May Session, ch. 8.]

AN ACT REGULATING THE TAKING OF THE FISH CALLED ALEWIVES, IN THE TOWN BROOK SO CALLED, IN THE TOWN OF PLYMOUTH.

Be it Enacted by the Senate & House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, that said fish may be taken between the two Grist Mills now standing on said Brook, & shall not be taken in any other part thereof, and at such time or times only, as a Committee who may be appointed by said Town, as is hereafter provided, may direct.

And Be it Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the inhabitants of said town of *Plymouth*, at their meeting for the choice of Town Officers in *March* or *April* annually, be, and they hereby are authorized and directed, to appoint five or seven persons, a Committee to oversee the taking said fish as aforesaid; which Committee shall distribute the fish taken by them, or under their direction, as equally as circumstances will admit, to such of the inhabitants of said Town as may apply for the same; and for the fish so supplied and delivered, the Committee aforesaid shall demand and receive of the person or persons applying therefor, payment at such rate or rates as the inhabitants of the said Town at their annual meeting in *March* or *April* may direct, excepting of such poor per-

Inhabitants authorized to appoint a Committee to oversee the taking of fish.