

An Act in addition to "An Act to incorporate the Worcester Aqueduct Company." *Chap 198.*

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

SECT. 1. Any damages sustained under and by virtue of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Worcester Aqueduct Company," shall be assessed in the manner provided in the twenty-fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes: *Of damages.* *provided, however,* that proceedings to enforce a claim for damages under said act, may be instituted within one year from and after the passage of this act. *Proviso.*

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed. *Repeal.* [*Approved by the Governor, April 15, 1850.*]

An Act concerning Bail in Civil Actions.

Chap 199.

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

SECT. 1. Officers to whom bail bonds may be offered, as is provided in the second section of the ninety-first chapter of the Revised Statutes, shall hereafter be required to accept the same: *Bail bonds sufficient, if sureties have property in Commonwealth, though not in the county where given.* *provided,* the bond be executed by two sureties at the least, each of them having sufficient property within the Commonwealth, although they may not have sufficient within the county in which the principal is arrested or held in custody.

SECT. 2. The bond required by the sixty-third section of the ninety-seventh chapter of the Revised Statutes, from persons committed on actions who may claim the liberty of the prison limits, shall be sufficient, if the sureties, by said section required, have sufficient property within the Commonwealth. *Same provision in case of bonds for the liberty of prison limits.*

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [*Approved by the Governor, April 15, 1850.*]

An Act in addition to an Act concerning Devises and Wills by Married Women. *Chap 200.*

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

SECT. 1. All the powers and rights conferred, by the seventy-fourth chapter of the acts of the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, upon a married woman, to devise property holden in her own right, or separately from her husband, shall apply to all cases of devise, or bequest, *Powers extended to cases of devise for benefit of husband.*

by will, by such married woman, to or for the benefit of her husband, in like manner as she now enjoys the right to devise such property to any other person.

Of the assent of husband.

SECT. 2. Where all the devises or bequests, in such will, are to the husband, or for his benefit solely, it shall not be necessary to the validity of such will, that the husband shall have expressed his assent thereto, or have endorsed his approval of the same thereon.

Operation of this act.

SECT. 3. This act shall apply to all cases of wills already executed, where the testatrix is still living.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [*Approved by the Governor, April 15, 1850.*]

Chap 201.

An ACT to authorize William Wright to build a Wharf.

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

In Boston.

William Wright, proprietor of an estate lying on the easterly side of Sea street, in Boston, is hereby authorized to extend and maintain a wharf into the harbor channel, as far as the line established by the act entitled "an act concerning the harbor of Boston," passed on the seventeenth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty, and shall have the right to lay vessels at said wharf, and to receive wharfage and dockage therefor: *provided, however,* that this grant shall not be construed to extend to any land or flats of this Commonwealth lying in front of the land or flats of any other person, or which would be comprehended by the true lines of such land or flats continued to said commissioners' line: *and provided, also,* that so much of said wharf as shall extend beyond the line of low-water mark, shall be built on piles, which piles shall not be nearer to each other than six feet in the direction of the stream, and eight feet in a transverse direction, and that this grant shall in no wise impair the legal rights of any person. [*Approved by the Governor, April 15, 1850.*]

1840, ch. 35.

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Chap 202.

An ACT to incorporate the Suffolk Gas Company.

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

Corporators.

SECT. 1. Philo Sanford, Edward F. Hall, Watson Freeman, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation, by the name of the Suffolk Gas Company, for the purpose of manufacturing and selling gas, in the cities of Boston and Roxbury; with all the powers and privileges,

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