

Chap. 310

An Act to incorporate the Town of Swampscott.

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

Line of separation from Lynn.

SECT. 1. That portion of the city of Lynn lying easterly of a line commencing at a point upon the centre of the bridge which crosses Stacy's brook, so called, at King's beach, thence running from said point south twelve degrees east by compass to the ocean, and running north from said point twelve degrees west by compass to the line which separates the city of Lynn from the city of Salem, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Swampscott; and the inhabitants of said town of Swampscott are hereby invested with all the powers and privileges, and shall be subjected to the duties and requisitions of other incorporated towns, according to the constitution and laws of the Commonwealth.

To pay taxes specified.

SECT. 2. The inhabitants of said town of Swampscott shall be holden to pay all arrears of taxes which have been assessed upon them by the city of Lynn, before the passing of this act, and also their proportion of all county and State taxes that may be assessed upon said city previously to the taking of the next State valuation, said proportion to be ascertained and determined by the last city valuation; and

Pay their proportion of debts and receive proportion of property.

said town of Swampscott shall be holden to pay their proportion of the debts due and owing at the time of the passage of this act, from the city of Lynn, and be entitled to receive of the city of Lynn their proportion of all the corporate property now owned by said city of Lynn, such proportion to be ascertained and determined by the last

Lynn may collect taxes assessed this year.

valuation of said city of Lynn: *provided, however,* that the city of Lynn shall be authorized to collect the tax which may have been assessed by virtue of law on the first of May this current year, upon the inhabitants and owners of property in said Swampscott; and the said city of Lynn, after deducting the reasonable expenses of assessing and collecting the same, shall account with and pay over the same to the town treasurer of said Swampscott; and said city of Lynn shall incur no liability for said town of Swampscott after the passage of this act.

Paupers, how supported.

SECT. 3. Said city of Lynn and town of Swampscott shall be respectively liable for the support of all persons who now do, or hereafter shall, stand in need of relief as paupers, whose settlement was gained or derived from a settlement gained or derived within their respective limits.

If Lynn and Swampscott disagree the C.

SECT. 4. In case said city of Lynn and town of Swampscott shall disagree in respect to a division of paupers, city

property, city debts, or State and county taxes, the court of common pleas for the county of Essex are hereby authorized to, and shall, on application of said city of Lynn, or of said town of Swampscott, appoint three disinterested persons to hear the parties and award thereon; which award, when accepted by said court, shall be final.

of C. P. may appoint three persons.

SECT. 5. The town of Swampscott shall, for the purpose of electing the representatives to the General Court, to which the territory comprised in the city of Lynn is now entitled until the next decennial census, or until another apportionment of representatives be made, remain a part of the said city of Lynn. And the inhabitants of said Swampscott shall vote for the number of representatives which the city authorities of Lynn may decide shall be elected annually in town meeting. And it shall be the duty of the selectmen of said Swampscott to preside at said town meeting, and receive the votes; and the certificate thereof shall be made by the selectmen and certified by the town clerk of said Swampscott, whose duty it shall be to make return thereof to the mayor and aldermen of the said city of Lynn within forty-eight hours of the day of voting; and the votes so returned shall be counted by the said mayor and aldermen as a part of the vote of the said city of Lynn.

Swampscott to vote with Lynn for representatives.

SECT. 6. Any justice of the peace in the county of Essex is hereby authorized to issue his warrant to any principal inhabitant of the town of Swampscott, requiring him to warn the inhabitants of said town to meet at the time and place therein appointed, for the purpose of choosing all such town officers as towns are by law authorized and required to choose at their annual meetings.

First meeting, how called.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [*Approved by the Governor, May 21, 1852.*]

Takes effect.

An Act relating to Insurance on Lives by Foreign Corporations.

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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. No life insurance company, unless incorporated by the legislature of this Commonwealth, shall make any contracts of life insurance within this State, until such insurance company shall have complied with the provisions of this act.

Company out of State must comply with this act.

SECT. 2. Every such insurance company shall, by a written power of attorney, appoint some citizen of this Commonwealth, resident therein, its attorney, with power and authority to accept service of all lawful processes against such company in this Commonwealth, and to

Some person in this Commonwealth must be empowered, &c.