

Congress may enforce.

Ratification of amendment by Massachusetts.

“SECTION 2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.”

Be it therefore enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That the said amendment be and it is hereby agreed to, ratified and confirmed, on the part of this Commonwealth, to become valid as part of the constitution of the United States, as soon as the same shall be ratified by three-fourths of the legislatures of the several states.

Approved February 8, 1865.

Chap. 12.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NATIONAL SAILORS' HOME.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows :

Corporators.

George B. Upton, Alexander H. Rice, James L. Little, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the National Sailors' Home, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining in this Commonwealth a home for sailors, marines and others employed in the naval service of the United States, disabled by wounds, sickness, old age or otherwise, without regard to the place of their enlistment; with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, liabilities and restrictions set forth in all general laws which now are or may hereafter be in force relating to such corporations, and with power to hold real and personal estate for the purposes above set forth.

Title.

Purpose.

Privileges.

Approved February 9, 1865.

Chap. 13.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE VENUE OF ACTIONS BY OR AGAINST EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows :

May be brought as at decease of testator or intestate.

SECTION 1. Transitory actions, by or against executors or administrators, may be brought in any county in which such action might have been brought by or against the testator or intestate, at the time of his decease.

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

Approved February 9, 1865.

Chap. 14.

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE PAWNERS' BANK.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows :

May loan on savings deposit books, and U. S. and Mass. securities to four-fifths of value.

SECTION 1. The Pawners' Bank, in the city of Boston, is hereby authorized to loan on pledge of the deposit books of savings banks, and on pledge of bonds and other securities of the United States and of this Commonwealth, and it shall be lawful to loan on the same to four-fifths of their appraised value.

Deposit books not redeemed within limitation need

SECTION 2. In case the savings bank deposit books aforesaid, pledged to the bank, shall not be redeemed within the