

June shall hereafter be held on the first Monday of May in each year.

SECTION 4. Either of the terms provided for in the first section of this act may be adjourned to Fall River in the same manner and with the same effect as an adjournment from one shire town to another; and an adjournment so made shall be subject to all the provisions of law relating to adjournments from one shire town to another.

Either term may be adjourned to Fall River.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on the first day of July next.

To take effect July 1, 1888.

Approved May 9, 1888.

AN ACT TO ENABLE TENANTS UNDER OBLIGATION TO PAY TAXES ASSESSED ON REAL ESTATE TO APPLY FOR AN ABATEMENT THEREOF.

Chap.315

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section sixty-nine of chapter eleven of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following, to wit:—and tenants paying rent for real estate, and under obligation to pay the whole or a major part of the taxes assessed thereon, may so apply in behalf of the owner and with like effect as if the owner had applied, and no neglect of the owner to file a list of his estate shall prevent the making an abatement, if it appears that such abatement should be made.

Tenants paying rent for real estate and under obligation to pay taxes may apply for an abatement.

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

Approved May 9, 1888.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE ERECTION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS.

Chap.316

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. No building designed to be used in whole or in part, as a public building, public or private institution, school-house, church, theatre, public hall, place of assemblage or place of public resort, and no building more than two stories in height designed to be used above the second story, in whole or in part, as a factory, workshop or mercantile or other establishment and having accommodations for ten or more employees above said story, and no building more than two stories in height designed to be used above the second story, in whole or in part, as a hotel, family hotel, apartment house, boarding house, lodging house or tenement house and having ten or more rooms above said story, shall hereafter be

Regulations for the construction of public buildings, theatres, school houses, public halls, hotels, etc.

Powers and
duties of the
inspector.

erected, unless in process of erection at the date of the passage of this act, until a copy of the plans of such building has been deposited with the inspector of factories and public buildings for the district in which such building is to be located, if outside of the city of Boston, or with the inspector of buildings of the city of Boston, if within said city, together with a copy of such portion of the specifications of such building as such inspector may require, nor shall any such building be so erected without the provision of sufficient ways of egress and other means of escape from fire, properly located and constructed; the certificate of the inspector above named endorsed, if the building is to be located outside of the city of Boston, with the approval of the chief of the district police force, shall be conclusive evidence of a compliance with the provisions of this act, provided that after the granting of such certificate no change is made in the plans or specifications of such ways of egress and means of escape unless a new certificate is obtained therefor. Such inspector may require that proper fire stops shall be provided in the floors, walls and partitions of such buildings and may make such further requirements as may be necessary or proper to prevent the spread of fire therein or its communication from any steam boiler or heating apparatus: and no pipe for conveying hot air or steam in such building shall be placed nearer than one inch to any wood-work unless protected to the satisfaction of such inspector by suitable guards or casings of incombustible material, and no wooden flue or air-duct for heating or ventilating purposes shall be placed in any such building.

Penalty for
violation of the
provisions of
this act.

SECTION 2. Any person erecting or constructing a building in violation of the provisions of this act shall be punished by fine of not less than fifty nor more than one thousand dollars, and such erection or construction may be enjoined in a proceeding to be had before the superior or supreme judicial court at the instance of the inspector above named, and upon the filing of a petition for such injunction any justice of the court in which such proceeding is pending may issue a temporary injunction or restraining order, as provided in proceedings in equity.

To take effect
October 1, 1888.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

Approved May 9, 1888.