

affect any existing right of the city of Newton to draw water from said ponds and brook, or the right of any person to cut or secure ice upon or to fish in said ponds.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and shall become void unless accepted by the city council of Newton within two years from its passage.

Subject to acceptance by city council.

Approved March 30, 1874.

AN ACT TO FIX THE SALARY OF THE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE. *Ch.* 126.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

SECTION 1. The annual salary of the clerk of the district court of Southern Berkshire shall be six hundred dollars, payable from the first day of April next.

Salary established.

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

Approved March 30, 1874.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MECHANICS' SAVINGS BANK, IN BOSTON. *Ch.* 127.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

SECTION 1. Nathaniel Adams, Joseph F. Paul, J. J. McNutt, Nathaniel O. Hart, George F. Pinkham, J. T. White, Cyrus T. Clark, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Mechanics' Savings Bank, to be located in Boston; with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in all general laws which now are or may hereafter be in force applicable to institutions for savings.

Corporators.

Powers and duties.

SECTION 2. One-half of the deposits of said bank shall be invested upon mortgages of real estate, and of the amount of said loan twenty-five per centum shall be loaned in sums of three thousand dollars and under: *provided*, application is made to that amount with good and sufficient security therefor.

One-half of deposits to be invested upon mortgages of real estate.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 30, 1874.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE FIRST RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF BLANDFORD. *Ch.* 128.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

SECTION 1. The First Religious or Congregational Society of the town of Blandford is incorporated under the name of the First Religious Society of Blandford; said corporation to have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the duties, liabilities and requirements provided by law, so far as applicable.

First Religious Society of Blandford incorporated.

Officers declared
duly elected,
and acts of soci-
ety legalized.

SECTION 2. The officers of said society are hereby declared duly elected and the acts of said society are hereby legalized as fully as if at the time of making the same said society had been duly incorporated.

Real and per-
sonal estate.

SECTION 3. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate to the value of twenty-five thousand dollars; and may at any legal meeting by a majority vote make such by-laws and regulations as are necessary for the governing of said society.

Donations and
bequests to
enure to benefit
of corporation.

SECTION 4. All donations, devises and bequests of real and personal estate which may heretofore have been or hereafter may be made to said corporation or society, shall enure to the benefit of said corporation, to be appropriated, however, to the purposes designated in any such donation, devise or bequest.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 30, 1874.

Ch. 129. AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF CHELSEA TO MAINTAIN FLOATING BATH-HOUSES,

Be it enacted, &c., as follows :

Harbor commis-
sioners may
license Chelsea
to maintain
floating bath-
houses.

SECTION 1. The board of harbor commissioners is empowered to license the city of Chelsea to maintain in said Chelsea, in tide-water, floating bath-houses, in such localities and in such manner as said board shall approve, either outside or inside the commissioners' lines: *provided, however,* that any such license granted by said board may be revoked by said board whenever in its judgment such revocation becomes expedient.

Proviso.

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

Approved April 1, 1874.

Ch. 130. AN ACT TO CEDE JURISDICTION TO THE UNITED STATES OVER THE SITES OF CERTAIN LIGHT-HOUSES.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows :

Jurisdiction
ceded to the
United States.

SECTION 1. Jurisdiction over the sites of the following light-houses and the appurtenances thereto belonging, and all the right of this Commonwealth to the soil thereof, is hereby ceded to the United States of America:

Bishop and Clerk's light-house, in Vineyard Sound, off Hyannis harbor;

Duxbury Pier light-house in Plymouth harbor: *provided,* that plans thereof be filed in the office of the secretary of the Commonwealth within two years from the passage of this act; and *provided, further,* that this Commonwealth shall retain concurrent jurisdiction with

Plans to be filed
in the secre-
tary's office.