

- Ch.* 239. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE COURTS IN HAMPDEN COUNTY TO DRAW PAY FOR CLERK-HIRE FROM THE COUNTY TREASURY.

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

Allowance to clerk of courts for extra clerk-hire.

SECTION 1. The county commissioners of Hampden County may allow from the treasury of said county to the clerk of the courts in said county, as compensation for extra clerk-hire, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, from the first day of April eighteen hundred and seventy-four.

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

*Approved May 18, 1874.*

- Ch.* 240. AN ACT TO ANNEX A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF DRACUT TO THE CITY OF LOWELL.

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

Part of Dracut annexed to Lowell.

SECTION 1. So much of the town of Dracut in the county of Middlesex lying upon the Merrimack River, thus bounded and described, to wit: Beginning on the northerly side of the new county road leading from Lowell to Methuen, at the north-east corner of that part of said Lowell called Centralville, thence running north nineteen degrees and thirty minutes west, to a stone bound on the northerly side of the road in said Dracut, leading from George T. Whitney's house to and by the poor-farm in said Dracut, (said line and course being a continuation of the course described as three thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven feet, northerly from the margin of the river, in the act entitled An Act to annex a part of the town of Dracut to the city of Lowell passed February twenty-eighth eighteen hundred and fifty-one, chapter eight, section one); thence running westerly in a straight line to a point on the margin of Merrimack River at the intersection of the town of Dracut and the town of Tyngsborough; thence south-westerly upon the boundary line now between said Dracut and said Tyngsborough to the thread of Merrimack River; thence down said Merrimack River by the thread thereof to a point in the thread of said river easterly in a direct line from the end of Long Island at the intersection of said city of Lowell and said Dracut; thence by the division line between said city of Lowell and said Dracut as described in the act of February, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, above referred to, to the point of beginning, with all the inhabitants on the lands above described,—is hereby set off and separated from said town of