

into the Office of the Secretary of this Commonwealth ; — And after fifty years from the opening of said Bridge the General Court may regulate the rates of Toll receivable thereat.

SECT. 6TH. *And be it further Enacted*, That if the said Proprietors shall neglect for the space of Six years from the passing this Act to build & erect said Bridge, then this act shall be void & of no effect.

Time for building bridge limited.

Approved March 8, 1803.

1802. — Chapter 128.

[January Session, ch. 90.]

AN ACT FOR THE PREVENTION OF HORSE-RACING.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same*, That from and after the first day of June next, no plate, purse, sum of Money, or other thing of Value, shall be run for, by any horse, mare, or gelding : And if any person shall run, or cause, or procure to be run, or aid and abet in running, or, being the owner, shall suffer to be run, any horse mare, or gelding, for any plate, purse, sum of Money, or other thing of value ; or shall bet or stake any plate, purse, sum of Money, or other thing of Value, on the event of any such Race ; or shall hold any such betts or stakes ; or publish or distribute any written or printed advertizement of such race, he shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding one hundred Dollars nor less than ten Dollars ; to be recovered, by indictment, in the Supreme Judicial Court, to the use of the Commonwealth, or in the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to the use of the County ; or by an action of trespass on the case, in favour of any person, who shall first sue therefor, to effect, in the Court of Common Pleas ; or, if the suit be for not more than thirteen Dollars, and thirty three cents, before a Justice of the Peace ; one moiety thereof to the use of the Plaintiff, and the other moiety to the use of the Poor of the Town wherein the Offence shall have been committed.

Penalty for being any way concerned in a horse-race.

SEC. 2D. *And be it further enacted, by the Authority aforesaid*, That it shall be the duty of every Sheriff, Deputy Sheriff, Coroner, Constable, and Grand Juror, to give information, to the proper authority, of any transgression of this Law, occurring within his proper district,

Sheriffs, coroners, &c. directed to give information of any transgression.

cation of Youth in such liberal Arts, Sciences & Languages as opportunity may permit, and the Trustees herein after provided shall direct.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That David Cobb, John Peters, David Thurston, Jonathan Buck & Thomas Cobb Esqrs. Reverend Jonathan Fisher, Reverend William Mason, Reverend Jonathan Powers, Messrs. Robert Parker, Theodore Stevens, Donald Ross, & John Peters Junr., be, and they hereby are, nominated and appointed Trustees of the said Academy; and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic by the name of The Trustees of Bluehill Academy, and they and their successors shall be & continue a body politic & corporate, by the same name forever.

Trustees.

Corporate name.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the said Trustees and their Successors, shall have one common Seal, which they may make use of, in any cause or business that relates to the said office of Trustees of said Academy, & they shall have power & authority to break, change & renew the said Seal, from time to time as they shall see fit, and they may sue and be sued in all Actions real, personal & mixed, and prosecute & defend the same unto final Judgment & execution, by the name of The Trustees of Bluehill Academy.

Trustees to have a common seal.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, that the said David Cobb, & others the Trustees aforesaid, and their successors be the true & sole Visitors, Trustees & Governors of the said Academy in perpetual Succession forever, to be continued in the manner hereafter specified, with full power & authority to Elect such Officers of said Academy as they shall judge necessary and convenient, and to make and Ordain such Laws, Orders & rules, for the good Government of said Academy, as to them the said Trustees & their Successors, shall from time to time seem fit & requisite; *Provided notwithstanding*, that the said rules, Laws & Orders, be no way contrary to the Laws of this Commonwealth.

Trustees to elect officers of the academy.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the number of Trustees aforesaid & their successors shall not at any one time be more than Thirteen, nor less than seven, five of whom shall constitute a quorum for transacting business, and a major part of the members present at any legal meeting shall decide all questions that shall come before them.

Number of trustees.

And to perpetuate the Succession of the said Trustees —

Trustees to fill vacancies.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That as often as one or more of the Trustees of the said Bluehill Academy shall die or resign, or in the judgment of the major part of the other Trustees be rendered by age or otherwise incapable of discharging the duties of said Office, then & so often, the Trustees then surviving & remaining, shall elect one or more persons to supply the vacancy or vacancies.

Trustees may receive & hold property.

SEC. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That the Trustees aforesaid, and their successors, be, & hereby are rendered capable in Law, to take & receive by gift, grant, devise, bequest or otherwise, any lands, tenements, or other estate real and personal—*Provided*, that the annual income of the said real estate shall not exceed the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, and the annual income of the personal estate shall not exceed the sum of Three Thousand Dollars. To have and to hold the same to the said Trustees & their Successors, on such terms, & under such provisions & limitations as may be expressed in any deed or instrument of conveyance to them made, and all deeds & instruments which the said Trustees may lawfully make, shall when made in the name of the said Trustees, & signed & delivered by the Treasurer, and sealed with the Common Seal, bind the said Trustees & their Successors, and be valid in Law.

First meeting.

SEC. 8. *Be it further enacted*, That John Peters Esquire, one of the Trustees aforesaid, be, and he hereby is authorised and empowered to appoint the time and place for holding the first meeting of said Trustees, and notify them thereof. *Approved March 8, 1803.*

1802. — Chapter 132.

[January Session, ch. 94.]

AN ACT DIRECTING THE RETURN OF STATEMENTS TWICE EVERY YEAR, FROM THE SEVERAL BANKS INCORPORATED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THIS COMMONWEALTH, TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR AND THE COUNCIL.

SEC. 1ST. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same*, That it shall be the duty of the Directors of the several Banks incorporated by the Legislature of this Commonwealth, excepting the Maine Bank, to make, on the first Mondays of January and June every year, and to transmit as soon thereafter as may be, to His

Semi-annual statements to be made.