

ports, awards and doings of Committees appointed by the Courts of Sessions or General Sessions of the Peace, for laying out publick highways; and provided that said Committee make report of the location of said road, and of the damages assessed within six months.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all the doings of said Corporation and their agents, heretofore done, or which may hereafter be done, in pursuance and by virtue of said Act to which this is in addition, or in pursuance and by virtue of the doings of said Committee therein appointed, shall be, and hereby are declared and made valid and effectual in law to all intents and purposes, as if this Act and the powers herein specified, declared and given, had been contained, given and confirmed in said original Act to which this is in addition, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Former doings confirmed.

[This Act passed June 10, 1808.]

CHAP. XVI.

An Act in addition to an Act entitled "an Act for incorporating certain persons for the purpose of building a Bridge over Connecticut River, between the towns of Springfield and West-Springfield, and for supporting the same.

SECT. 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 passing of this Act, so much of the fourth section of an Act entitled "an Act for incorporating certain persons for the purpose of building a Bridge over Connecticut River, between the towns of Springfield and West Springfield, and for supporting the same," as relates to the rate of toll thereby granted and established, be, and hereby is repealed, and that there be granted and established the following rates of toll for the sole use of the Proprietors of said Bridge, to wit: for each foot passenger three cents; for each horse and rider seven cents; for each horse and chaise, chair or sulkey sixteen cents; for each coach, chariot, phaeton or other four wheel carriage for passengers, if drawn by two horses, thirty-three cents; for each additional horse six cents; for each curicle, or other two wheel carriage for passengers, drawn by more than one horse twenty-five cents; for each sleigh drawn by one horse ten cents; if by two horses, twelve cents and five mills; and for each additional horse three

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cents ; for each cart, sled or other carriage of burthen drawn by one beast ten cents ; if drawn by two beasts sixteen cents ; and if by more and not exceeding four beasts twenty cents ; and for each additional beast four cents ; for each horse, ass or mule without a rider, and for neat cattle, each four cents ; for sheep and swine one cent each ; and one person and no more shall be allowed to each team to pass free of toll. *Provided nevertheless,* That the toll to be received for teams drawn by not more than four beasts with carriages of burthen, carrying loads not exceeding thirty hundred weight, belonging to the inhabitants of either of the towns of Springfield or West Springfield, passing said bridge for transporting the produce of the lands of such inhabitants from their lands to their dwelling place, or passing to cultivate said lands, shall be only twelve cents and five mills.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That no team shall pass said Bridge with loads exceeding forty-five hundred weight.

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SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That said Corporation may, if they see cause, commute the rates of toll with any person or persons, by taking of him or them a certain less sum in lieu of the toll aforesaid.

[This Act passed June 10, 1808.]

CHAP. XVII.

An Act in addition to an Act entitled "an Act to incorporate Joseph Newell, Ebenezer Niles, Abner Gardner and others, for the purpose of building a Bridge across Mill-Creek."

SECT. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That the Proprietors of Commercial Point Bridge Corporation, be, and they are hereby authorized to build a Mill dam instead of a Bridge, over Mill-Creek, so called, in Dorchester, and to open and make a road from the road leading from Neponset Bridge, on the westerly side of Blackbird swamp, so called, over said Mill dam, to Preston's gate, so called ; and also a Bridge and a road from the last mentioned road, over Back Warwicke Creek, so called, to the road leading over the present Mill dam, which road shall not be less than forty feet in width and may purchase real estate, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars in value ; and may erect mills and other buildings