

forty-four of the General Laws, exclusive of the limitation contained in the first paragraph of section seven thereof.

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

*Approved April 14, 1941.*

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE REDUCTION OF DEPOSITS *Chap. 186*  
IN CERTAIN SAVINGS BANKS.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Section forty-four of chapter one hundred and sixty-eight of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end the following:

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 168, § 44, amended.

— ; provided, that at any time after the entry of a decree approving or ordering such a reduction of deposit accounts, said court or any justice thereof may by order finally determine the amount which said depositors are equitably entitled to receive in full settlement of their said deposit accounts and the manner of distribution of said amount, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 44.* The supreme judicial court or any justice thereof sitting in equity may, on petition of a savings bank or the trustees of a savings bank, approved by the commissioner, approve or order a reduction of the deposit account of each depositor therein, whenever the value of its assets is less than the total amount of its deposits so as to divide the loss equitably among said depositors. If thereafter the bank shall realize from said assets a greater sum than was fixed by said order of reduction, such excess shall be divided among the depositors whose accounts have been reduced, but to the extent of such reduction only; provided, that at any time after the entry of a decree approving or ordering such a reduction of deposit accounts, said court or any justice thereof may by order finally determine the amount which said depositors are equitably entitled to receive in full settlement of their said deposit accounts and the manner of distribution of said amount.

Reduction of deposits.

*Approved April 14, 1941.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CONTENTS OF THE RECORD TRANSMITTED TO THE SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT IN APPELLATE PROCEEDINGS. *Chap. 187*

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section one hundred and thirty-five of chapter two hundred and thirty-one of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by adding after the first paragraph the two following new paragraphs:—

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 231, § 135, amended.

In preparing the record, a brief descriptive title of any paper to be contained therein shall be included, but the title of the court, name of the county, names of parties and other formal parts need not appear more than once. No bond, citation, verification, appearance or formal paper shall be

Transmission of record, contents of.

deemed a necessary part of the record unless some question in regard thereto is in issue but the contents thereof may be indicated. Matter which appears in two or more papers or portions thereof forming part of the record need be set forth only once therein, and at each place where such matter is omitted there shall be printed a notation of the omission, with a cross-reference to the place in the record where such matter appears.

The supreme judicial court may make and promulgate rules regulating the contents of the record and may in any case order the transmission of the original or a copy of any paper not appearing in the record, or appearing therein in an abbreviated form, if at any time such omitted paper or any omitted part of such abbreviated paper becomes material.

Effective date.

SECTION 2. This act shall become operative on October first of the current year. *Approved April 14, 1941.*

*Chap. 188* AN ACT REVIVING THE CORPORATION KNOWN AS SAINT PATRICK'S RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL AND CHARITABLE ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS (WATERTOWN), AND VALIDATING CERTAIN ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF SAID CORPORATION.

Emergency preamble.

*Whereas*, The corporation sought to be revived by this act was dissolved without its knowledge, thereby causing much inconvenience and uncertainty which should be removed as soon as possible, therefore this act is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Saint Patrick's Religious, Educational and Charitable Association of Massachusetts (Watertown), which was dissolved by chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby revived with the same powers, duties and obligations as if said chapter had not been passed, and all acts and proceedings of said corporation, its officers and directors which would be valid but for said chapter are hereby ratified and confirmed.

*Approved April 15, 1941.*

*Chap. 189* AN ACT FURTHER EXTENDING THE EXISTENCE OF THE MASHPEE ADVISORY COMMISSION AND ENLARGING ITS AUTHORITY.

Emergency preamble.

*Whereas*, The existence of the Mashpee Advisory Commission expires by law on April fifteenth next; and

*Whereas*, It is essential to the welfare of the inhabitants of the town of Mashpee that said commission be empowered to continue to function without interruption, and the deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to enable said commission so to function without