

and thirty-five, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "Middlesex", in the tenth line, the words:— and in the municipal court of the West Roxbury district, — and by striking out, in the twelfth and thirteenth lines, the words "of the Dorchester district and of the West Roxbury district" and inserting in place thereof the words:— and of the Dorchester district, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 62.* In the municipal court of the city of Boston the court officers appointed shall not exceed ten for criminal business and five for civil business and one of such court officers for criminal business shall be designated by the chief justice as chief court officer of said court for criminal business, and one of such court officers for criminal business shall be designated as an assistant chief court officer; in the municipal court of the Roxbury district four court officers may be appointed; in the third district court of Eastern Middlesex and in the municipal court of the West Roxbury district three court officers may be appointed; in the municipal court of the South Boston district, of the Charlestown district and of the Dorchester district, the East Boston district court, the district court of Chelsea and the district court of East Norfolk two court officers for each court may be appointed; and in each of the other district courts in the commonwealth one court officer may be appointed.

Court officers,
number of.

Approved May 12, 1937.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF ADAMS TO PENSION
EDWARD H. CASSIDY.

Chap.299

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of promoting the public good and in consideration of his long and meritorious service, the town of Adams, acting by its board of selectmen, may retire Edward H. Cassidy, who served the town faithfully for over thirty-five years in its police department, on an annual pension, payable monthly, equal to one half the salary received by him at the time of the termination of his active service.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the registered voters of said town, voting thereon by official ballot at an annual town meeting, or voting thereon at a special town meeting called for the purpose.

Approved May 12, 1937.

AN ACT ABOLISHING THE BOARD OF ARMORY COMMISSIONERS
AND ESTABLISHING AN ARMORY COMMISSION.

Chap.300

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section eighteen and the heading immediately preceding, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following:—

G. L. (Ter.
Ed.), 6, § 18,
amended.

ARMORY COMMISSION.

Armory commission.

Section 18. There shall be an armory commission composed as follows:— The adjutant general, who shall be chairman, the state quartermaster, who shall be clerk, and the major general commanding the twenty-sixth division, Massachusetts national guard. Neither the adjutant general nor the state quartermaster shall receive any additional compensation on account of their membership in said commission. The said major general shall receive one day's pay of grade and allowances for each day that he actually sits or performs the duties incumbent upon him as a member of said commission, but in no case more than five hundred dollars in any one year.

Transfer of powers.

SECTION 2. From and after the effective date of this act, all the rights, powers, duties and obligations theretofore conferred or imposed upon the board of armory commissioners shall be exercised and performed by the armory commission established by section one.

Approved May 12, 1937.

Chap. 301 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE JURISDICTION OF DISTRICT COURTS FOR CRIMINAL BUSINESS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 218, § 26, amended.

SECTION 1. Chapter two hundred and eighteen of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section twenty-six, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following:— *Section 26.* District courts shall have original jurisdiction, concurrent with the superior court, of the following offences committed within their respective districts or otherwise made punishable therein: all violations of by-laws, orders, ordinances, rules and regulations, made by cities, towns and public officers, all misdemeanors, except conspiracies and libels, and all felonies for which a penalty of fine or imprisonment in a jail or house of correction is provided.

District courts, jurisdiction in criminal cases.

Effective date.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective on September first of the current year.

Approved May 12, 1937.

Chap. 302 AN ACT TO ALLOW CREDIT UNDER THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT LAW FOR SERVICE RENDERED IN PUBLIC DAY SCHOOLS OUTSIDE THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 32, § 9, amended.

Section nine of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:—

Funds of retirement systems.

(5) A person hereafter becoming a member or being reinstated a member in accordance with paragraph (3) of section eleven, while in active service, may, within five years