

SECTION 3. The state board of charity may in its discretion notify the person or corporation from whose care or custody a child has been taken under this act that no other child shall be received or maintained by such person or corporation, not being the legal guardian of such child, without a permit from the board.

Certain persons, etc., not to receive, etc., children without permit.

SECTION 4. When it appears to the state board of charity that the guardian of any child under the age of seven years is unsuitable for his trust the board shall apply to the proper court for his removal.

Removal of guardians.

SECTION 5. Whoever obstructs or hinders the state board of charity or any of its officers or agents in the execution of the duties and powers herein imposed or conferred, or, after notification as aforesaid, receives a child without having a permit therefor as herein provided, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, and upon a second conviction under this act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the jail or house of correction for a term not exceeding six months.

Penalties.

*Approved April 25, 1900.*

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT WOMEN MAY SERVE AS OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN THE CITY OF LOWELL.

*Chap. 255*

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

SECTION 1. No person shall be disqualified by reason of sex from election to or from holding the office of overseer of the poor of the city of Lowell.

Not disqualified by reason of sex.

SECTION 2. So much of any act as is inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved April 25, 1900.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO MECHANICS' LIENS FOR THE REMOVAL OF BUILDINGS OR OTHER STRUCTURES.

*Chap. 256*

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

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "alteration", in the third line, the word: — removal, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 1.* Any person to whom a debt is due for labor performed or furnished or for materials furnished and actually used in the erection, alteration, removal, or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, by virtue of an agreement with or by consent of the owner of such build-

P. S. 191, § 1, amended.

Certain persons to have lien upon buildings, etc.

ing or structure or of any person having authority from or rightfully acting for such owner in procuring or furnishing such labor or materials, shall have a lien upon such building or structure and upon the interest of the owner thereof in the lot of land upon which the same is situated, to secure the payment of the debt so due to him and of the costs which may arise in enforcing such lien, except as is hereinafter provided.

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

*Approved April 25, 1900.*

**Chap.257**

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RESERVE OF TRUST COMPANIES.

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

Where reserve of certain trust companies may be deposited.

SECTION 1. Any trust company subject to the provisions of section thirteen of chapter four hundred and thirteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight may deposit a part of its reserve in any trust company incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth and doing business therein, which may be approved for the purpose by the board of commissioners of savings banks: *provided, however,* that any company so approved shall at all times have on hand as a reserve, in lawful money of the United States, an amount equal to at least fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount of all its deposits which are subject to withdrawal upon demand, or within ten days, anything in its charter or by-laws to the contrary notwithstanding; and *provided, further,* that one third of said fifteen per cent may in lieu of lawful money consist of balances payable on demand, due from any national bank doing business in this Commonwealth or in the city of New York.

Proviso.

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

*Approved April 25, 1900.*

**Chap.258**

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TAKING OF LAND OR OTHER PRIVATE PROPERTY BY THE BOSTON ELEVATED RAILWAY COMPANY, AND TO CONFIRM THE LOCATIONS OF SAID COMPANY IN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK.

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

Taking of land, etc., by the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

SECTION 1. In all cases wherein the Boston Elevated Railway Company has heretofore taken or shall hereafter take land or private property in accordance with the provisions of section eleven of chapter five hundred and forty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and