

SENATE No. 223.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN SENATE, April 25, 1864.

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom were committed the Message of the Governor, dated January 20th, 1864, enclosing the Report of an informal commission, appointed to consider the military instruction and training of the people of Massachusetts, (Senate Doc., No. 12,) the Message of the Governor of February 15th, 1864, transmitting the Report of a commission on military instruction in schools, and also an Order of the Senate instructing the Committee to inquire into the expediency of introducing military exercises into the public schools, have considered the same, and report the accompanying Bill.

Per order,

C. R. CODMAN.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-Four.

AN ACT

Concerning Military Exercises in the Public Schools.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 SECT. 1. Military drill and gymnastics shall be
2 taught in all the public schools in which the school
3 committee deem it expedient.

1 SECT. 2. School committees may make all neces-
2 sary regulations for carrying out the provisions of the
3 first section of this act.

1 SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.