

HOUSE....No. 39.

[Reported by the Committee on Education.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty.

AN ACT

Relating to Banns of Marriage.

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. All persons intending to be joined in
2 marriage, shall cause notice of their intention to be
3 entered three days at least before their marriage, in
4 the office of the clerk of the town in which they
5 may respectively dwell, (if within this State); and if
6 there be no such clerk in the place of their residence,
7 the like entry shall be made with the clerk of an ad-
8 joining town.

1 SECT. 2. The clerk shall deliver to the parties a
2 certificate under his hand, specifying the time when
3 notice of the intention of marriage was entered with
4 him, which certificate shall be delivered to the minis-
5 ter or magistrate, in whose presence the marriage is
6 to be contracted, before he shall proceed to solemnize
7 the same.

1 SECT. 3. So much of the seventy-fifth chapter of
2 the Revised Statutes, as is inconsistent with this act,
3 is hereby repealed.