

HOUSE...No. 204.

[Amendments proposed by the Committee on the Judiciary, to the Bill to provide for the security of public buildings and bridges, (House, No. 83.)]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 24, 1860.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was re-committed the Bill to provide for the security of public buildings and bridges, (House Document, No. 83,) with certain proposed amendments thereto,

R E P O R T :

That the same ought to pass with the following amendments:—

Strike out the first section and insert a new section, as follows:—

1 SECT. 1. The mayor and aldermen of cities and
2 the selectmen of towns are authorized to appoint
3 three persons in their respective cities and towns to
4 be commissioners of buildings and bridges, who shall
5 hold their offices for three years, and who shall
6 receive such compensation for their services as the
7 city councils of cities and the inhabitants of towns
8 shall respectively determine.

In the second section, after the word "shall," in the first line, insert—in their respective cities and towns.

In the second section, after the word "thereof," in the eighth line, insert—

1 and also all buildings of any kind on the requisition
2 of the mayor and aldermen of any city, or the select-
3 men of any town.

In the third section, line two, after "building," insert—within their respective cities and towns.

In the ninth section, first line, after "elevator," add—opening.

In the third line strike out the word "young."

Section 10. At the close add—

1 and all bridges over railways, hereafter erected, shall
2 be seventeen feet from the bottom of the timbers to
3 the upper side of the rail.

Section 14. Strike out "said," before "commissioners," and insert—of the city or town wherein said building or structure is situated.

Section 20. Strike out all after "the," in the third line, and insert—any inhabitant of their respective cities and towns.

Section 6. After the word "or," in the third line, insert—dimension.

After the word "thick," in the ninth line, insert—if built of mortar and stone the walls shall be four inches thicker than if built of bricks or dimension stone.

For the Committee,

TAPPAN WENTWORTH, *Chairman.*