

RESOLVES FOR THE REPUBLICATION OF A REPORT ON THE INVERTEBRATE ANIMALS OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Chap. 44.

Resolved, That it is expedient to republish twelve hundred copies of the Report of Dr. A. A. Gould, on the Invertebrate Animals of Massachusetts, with such corrections and additions as may be deemed important by the author, and under his supervision, with the aid of such other person as may be appointed by the governor and council; and the expense attending such publication shall be allowed and paid out of the treasury, to an amount not exceeding four thousand dollars.

Author, with person appointed by governor, to supervise.

Expense.

Resolved, That two hundred copies of the report be given to the author, in consideration of his otherwise gratuitous services in its preparation and publication, and that the future copy-right be assigned to him; and that fifty copies of the same be placed at the disposal of the governor and council, for such gratuitous distribution as they may think proper, and that every college and normal school, and every public library in the state shall have one copy, and every member of the present legislature shall have one copy; the remainder of the edition to be at the disposal of a future legislature.

Distribution and copy-right.

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RESOLVES CONCERNING THE OBSTRUCTIONS TO THE PASSAGE OF FISH IN THE CONNECTICUT AND MERRIMACK RIVERS.

Chap. 45.

Resolved, That his excellency the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized to appoint two commissioners, whose duty it shall be to cause observations to be made, during the months of May and June, of the height of the water upon the crests of the dams at Lowell, Lawrence and Holyoke, the heights of the flash boards upon said dams, respectively, the right of the owners to maintain such flash boards, and if they are uniformly maintained thereon during said months; also, to ascertain the extent and degree of the discoloration of the water of said rivers below said dams, caused by the discharge of dyestuffs and other noxious matter therein from the manufactories, and the effects of such matter upon the water and the fish inhabiting the same; and further, to make inquiries and ascertain the best mode of constructing fishways over said dams, the expense of the same, and such further facts touching fishways and their usefulness in aiding the passage of fish over obstructions as said commissioners may deem useful or expedient.

Governor to appoint commission of observat'n and inquiry.

Resolved, That said commissioners communicate with such commissioners as may be appointed by the states of New Hampshire and Vermont, upon the subject embraced

Commission to advise with like agents of New Hampshire and Vermont.