

Trustees of Worcester Lunatic Hospital to convey land to board of education.

Resolved, That the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital are hereby authorized and required to convey to the board of education and its successors, in trust for the Commonwealth, a tract of land situated in said city of Worcester of not more than five acres, to be located by the governor and council, east of a line drawn one hundred and seventy feet east of the easterly line of Mulberry street, and north of a line drawn five hundred feet south of the southerly line of Prospect street when extended east as proposed; and west of the westerly line of Wilmot street when extended southerly as proposed; the conveyance of said land to include a right of way thereto from East Central street, the location whereof shall be determined and fixed by the governor and council, if in their opinion said right of way is necessary and desirable.

Worcester may lay out and extend certain streets.

Resolved, That the city of Worcester is hereby authorized to lay out and extend Prospect street, from its present easterly terminus to its intersection with the proposed line of the prolongation of Wilmot street; also to extend Wilmot street southerly to the proposed intersection with the extension of Prospect street, and from that point southerly to East Central street.

Value of land to be determined by governor and council.

Resolved, That the value of said land shall be determined and fixed by the governor and council, and the amount shall be credited by the treasurer of the Commonwealth to the fund created by the provisions of section four, chapter two hundred and thirty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy.

Worcester may raise \$15,000 by taxation.

Resolved, That the city council of the city of Worcester may raise by taxation or otherwise, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, and may pay the same to the board of education for the purposes named in these resolves: *provided*, that these resolves shall not take effect until the city of Worcester or the inhabitants thereof shall have paid to the board of education the sum of fifteen thousand dollars to aid in the erection and furnishing of the building for said school.

Approved May 26, 1871.

Chap. 80.

RESOLVE CONCERNING THE BONDS OF THE BOSTON, HARTFORD AND ERIE RAILROAD COMPANY, HELD BY THE COMMONWEALTH.

Governor and council authorized to obtain absolute ownership of the Berdell bonds of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad.

Resolved, That the governor and council be, and they hereby are authorized in their discretion, if any emergency shall in their opinion exist therefor, to take any and all necessary measures to obtain for the Commonwealth the absolute ownership of the bonds of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, known as the Berdell mortgage

bonds, now held by the Commonwealth as collateral security; and they may sell and transfer the whole or any part of said bonds, on such terms and conditions as they may deem to be for the best interest of the Commonwealth; or they may sell said bonds, or any part thereof, under the provisions of section seven of chapter two hundred and eighty-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-seven. In the event of the absolute foreclosure of the Berdell mortgage, so called, or in any proceedings taken for such foreclosure, the governor and council, by their duly appointed agents or attorneys, may represent the interests of the Commonwealth at any meeting of the bondholders, and may, in their discretion, surrender said bonds for stock as provided in said mortgage, or take any other action in the premises which they deem that the interests of the Commonwealth may require.

Approved May 26, 1871.

RESOLVE RELATING TO THE HUTCHINSON PAPERS.

Chap. 81.

Resolved, That the attorney-general be authorized to adjust the controversy between the Commonwealth and the Massachusetts Historical Society on these terms, namely: that the society surrender to the Commonwealth all the documents called the Hutchinson papers received by the society from Secretary Bradford; the same to be identified by an arbitrator mutually selected, in case they cannot be otherwise agreed upon.

Mass. Historical Society to surrender the Hutchinson papers to the state.

Approved May 26, 1871.

RESOLVE IN RELATION TO HALF-TIME SCHOOLS.

Chap. 82.

Resolved, That the bureau of statistics of labor be directed to prepare and present to the next legislature, a plan for a system of half-time, ungraded schools for children between ten and fifteen years of age employed in manufacturing and other establishments in the state, who attend school only a part of the day.

Half-time schools for children employed in manufacturing establishments.

Approved May 26, 1871.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF GEORGE RICE.

Chap. 83.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid from the treasury to George Rice, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for compensation for destruction of water power at the west end of Hoosac tunnel.

Allowance for \$1,500.

Approved May 26, 1871.

RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF HANNAH M. NEEDHAM.

Chap. 84.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury to the city of Lawrence, the sum of one hundred and seventy-two dollars, being the amount paid by said city to Hannah M. Needham, widow of Sumner H. Needham, as state aid on account of her child Sumner H. Needham; and

Allowance for state aid.