

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.