

to Huntington Avenue, in Boston, to the owners of abutting lands, on such terms and conditions as the governor and council may approve.

*Approved May 6, 1872.*

**Chap. 64.** RESOLVES TO PROVIDE FOR THE ERECTION OF MEMORIAL STATUES OF MASSACHUSETTS CITIZENS, FOR THE NATIONAL CAPITOL.

Commission to procure statues for the capitol at Washington.

*Resolved,* That his excellency William B. Washburn, honorable Horace H. Coolidge, the president of the senate; honorable John E. Sanford, the speaker of the house of representatives, with two members from each branch of the legislature, to be selected by the presiding officers, be appointed a commission to procure, from Massachusetts artists, two statues in marble or bronze, to be erected in the capitol at Washington, as the contribution of this Commonwealth to the national gallery.

*Resolved,* That the commission procure, in the manner before provided, a statue of Samuel Adams and a statue of either John Winthrop, John Carver, William Bradford, William Brewster, Miles Standish or Edward Winslow, as may seem to them expedient, as fitting representatives of the colonial and revolutionary periods.

Allowance of \$30,000 for cost of same.

*Resolved,* That the sum of thirty thousand dollars be placed at the disposal of the commission, and that his excellency the governor be authorized to draw, from time to time, such amounts as may be required to defray the cost of the statues and other necessary expenses.

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**Chap. 65.** RESOLVE DIRECTING THE BOARD OF RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS TO REPORT CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING THE TRANSPORTATION OF MERCHANDISE AND MERCHANDISE CARS ON RAILROADS.

Commissioners to ascertain and report whether unjust discrimination or advantage is given in rates of freight, etc.

*Resolved,* That the railroad commissioners are hereby directed to ascertain and report to the next legislature, whether cars owned by any persons or corporations other than railroad corporations, are used in the transportation of merchandise over the railroads in this Commonwealth, and if so, by whom said cars are owned, and upon what terms the same are transported, and whether any unjust or unequal discrimination or advantage is given either in rates of freight or promptness of carriage, or in any other manner, to the owners of such cars by the railroad corporations chartered in this Commonwealth; and also, whether the officers of any such railroad corporation derive any pecuniary advantage from the running of such cars over railroads of which they have the management.

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