

city of Chelsea, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, liabilities and restrictions set forth in all laws which now are or may hereafter be in force relating to savings banks and institutions for savings.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 27, 1890.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ACTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

Chap. 52

Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

SECTION 1. Luther Conant, Adelbert Mead, Moses Taylor, Delette Hall, Hiram Hapgood and D. J. Wetherbee, all of Acton in the county of Middlesex, and their associates and successors to be determined and elected as hereinafter provided, are made a body corporate by the name of Acton Memorial Library, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining in said town an institution to aid in the promotion of education and the diffusion of useful knowledge, by means of a library free to all the inhabitants of said town ; with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in all general laws which now are or may hereafter be in force applicable to such corporation.

Acton Memorial Library, incorporated.

SECTION 2. The persons hereinbefore named and designated as corporators under this act with three persons to be elected by the town of Acton, as hereinafter provided, shall constitute the trustees of said corporation, and shall have the entire management, control and direction of its affairs, and shall choose from their number a president and a secretary and may prescribe the duties of each, and from time to time may make such by-laws and regulations for the management of the institution, its property and funds, and for the use of the library, not in conflict with this act, as they may deem best.

Trustees.

SECTION 3. The number of the trustees shall not exceed nine ; and three of them shall be elected, one for the term of three years, one for the term of two years and one for the term of one year, by the town of Acton at any legally called meeting of the voters of said town held after the passage of this act, at which meeting this act may be accepted ; and thereafter one trustee shall be elected annually by the town for the term of three years. Any vacancy occurring at any time, by death or otherwise, in the board of corporators or their successors shall be filled forthwith by the remaining members of said board,

Not to exceed nine in number.

Vacancies.

Proviso.

and any vacancy occurring, by death or otherwise, at any time in the board of trustees, of any member who has been duly elected by the town, shall be filled by election by the town at its annual meeting or at a meeting specially called for the purpose: *provided, however*, that no person not an inhabitant of the town of Acton shall be eligible as such trustee.

Real and personal estate not to exceed \$100,000.

SECTION 4. Said trustees and their successors shall have authority to hold real and personal estate, by purchase or otherwise, to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars for the purpose aforesaid, in addition to books and objects of curiosity and art. All gifts, grants, devises and bequests shall be held and used for such purposes and in conformity with the conditions upon which the same shall be made and given, provided such conditions are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Town may appropriate money to aid in support.

SECTION 5. The town of Acton, so long as a library free to all the inhabitants of said town is maintained therein under reasonable regulations made or to be made by the trustees, is hereby authorized to appropriate and pay money in aid of supporting such institution in the same manner as is authorized by law for the establishment, maintenance or increase of a public library; and said trustees may receive and use, in conformity with this act, all such appropriations.

Funds to be in hands of town treasurer subject to order of trustees.

SECTION 6. The treasurer of the town of Acton for the time being shall receive and hold all funds belonging to the corporation, or of which it has the management or control, subject to the order of the trustees. The board of trustees shall annually make a report to the town of their doings, and their records and books shall at all convenient times be open to the inspection and examination of the board of selectmen of the town.

Annual report to be made.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 27, 1890.

Chap. 53 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE HOLDING OF PROPERTY BY THE UNITED STATES HOTEL COMPANY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

May use and improve land for any lawful purpose.

SECTION 1. The United States Hotel Company, a corporation established under the name of the Proprietors of the City Hotel in Boston by chapter one hundred and three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and twenty-four, shall not be limited in the use and improvement of