

Removal of prisoners from the state workhouse to the Mass. reformatory.

SECTION 2. Said commissioners may remove from the state workhouse to the Massachusetts reformatory any person held in said workhouse under a sentence. All the provisions of chapter two hundred and fifty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, relative to the removal of prisoners from a county prison to said reformatory, shall apply to the removal of prisoners under this section.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 24, 1885.

Chap. 36 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER FOUR HUNDRED AND ONE OF THE ACTS OF THE YEAR EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR IN RELATION TO THE TAKING OF LAND BY THE FITCHBURG RAILROAD COMPANY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Time extended for taking land, re-locating portions of road, etc.

SECTION 1. The time within which the Fitchburg Railroad Company may avail itself of the rights and privileges granted by chapter four hundred and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four is hereby extended to June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety.

Land not to be taken in Boston, east of Charles River avenue or Charles River bridge.

SECTION 2. Said chapter of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four and this act shall not authorize said Fitchburg Railroad Company to take any lands east of Charles River Avenue or Charles River Bridge in any part of the city of Boston.

Approved February 24, 1885.

Chap. 37 AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF MILLIS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Town of Millis incorporated.

SECTION 1. All that part of the town of Medway comprised within the following limits, that is to say, beginning at a stone bound at an angle in the boundary line between the towns of Medway and Holliston about sixty rods distant from Orchard Street and near the Nathan Plimpton place, so called, and running southerly in a straight line to the north-westerly corner of Farm and Village streets, thence continuing in the same course to the middle of Charles River; thence following the present boundary lines between the town of Medway and the towns of Norfolk, Medfield, Sherborn and Holliston, to the above-mentioned stone bound, the place of beginning, is hereby set off from Medway and incorporated a town by the name of Millis; and the town of Millis is hereby invested with

Set off from town of Medway.

all the powers, privileges, rights and immunities, and made subject to all the duties and liabilities, of other towns of the Commonwealth.

SECTION 2. The inhabitants and estates within the territory hereby set off and the owners of such estates shall be holden to pay all taxes assessed and in arrears to the same persons, and such taxes may be collected in the same manner, as if this act had not been passed; and until the next state valuation the town of Millis annually in the month of November shall pay to the town of Medway one-quarter of all the state and county taxes that shall be assessed upon Medway; and the assessors of Medway shall return the valuation of the two towns respectively to the secretary of the Commonwealth and to the county commissioners of the county of Norfolk.

Assessment and collection of taxes.

SECTION 3. The towns of Millis and Medway shall be liable respectively for the relief and support of all persons now or hereafter needing aid as paupers who may or have derived or acquired a settlement within their respective limits; and the town of Millis shall pay annually to the town of Medway such proportion of all costs for the relief and support of persons now or hereafter needing aid as paupers who may or have derived or acquired a settlement by reason of military service as part of the quota of Medway, or who cannot be located on the site whence their settlement is derived or whereon it was acquired, as the valuation of the town of Millis bears to that of Medway as it is now bounded, according to the last state valuation prior to said relief and support.

Relief and support of paupers.

SECTION 4. Existing rights of action in favor of or against the town of Medway may be instituted and prosecuted or defended by said town in the same manner and with like effect as before the passage of this act, and the amount recovered therein shall be paid or received as the case may be by the town of Medway, and reckoning costs and expenses, including counsel fees, shall be divided between the towns in the ratio of one-fourth to Millis and three-fourths to Medway.

Actions against or in favor of town of Medway.

Division of costs and expenses.

SECTION 5. The corporate property of the town of Medway both real and personal in being at the time of the passage of this act, and the town debts then existing, shall be divided between the towns in the ratio of one-fourth to Millis and three-fourths to Medway. The towns shall severally retain and hold all the real and personal property

Division of debts and of corporate property.

now within their respective limits, upon a valuation to be agreed by the boards of selectmen of both towns in concurrence, and differences in valuation shall be equalized and balances adjusted by apportionment of the town funded debt. In case of a failure to agree upon a valuation or division of the assets and liabilities, the same shall be determined by a board of three commissioners, neither of whom shall be residents of either of said towns, to be appointed by the superior court for the county of Norfolk in term time or vacation upon petition of either town with notice to the other. The commission so appointed shall sit and, after hearing both parties, determine the matters of disagreement aforesaid, and return their award into said court, and the award of the majority, when accepted by the court, shall be final; and said court may issue any writ or make any order thereon necessary to carry the same into effect. The award may be set aside for fraud or manifest error, but for no other cause, and thereupon may be re-committed to the same or other commissioners to be appointed for the same purpose, with like powers and duties, as aforesaid.

To be determined by commissioners, if towns fail to agree.

Election districts.

SECTION 6. The town of Millis shall, until otherwise provided by law, continue to be a part of the ninth congressional district, of the second councillor district, of the second Norfolk senatorial district and the eighth Norfolk representative district; and at all elections the inhabitants of the town of Millis shall vote at polling places to be furnished within the town. The selectmen and clerk of the town of Millis shall make returns of elections as if the town had existed at the time of the formation of said districts.

First meeting for election of town officers.

SECTION 7. Any justice of the peace within and for Norfolk County, residing in the town of Millis, may issue his warrant, directed to any inhabitant of said town requiring him to notify and warn the inhabitants thereof, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the time and place therein appointed, for the purpose of choosing all such officers as towns are by law authorized and required to choose at their annual meetings; and said warrant shall be served by posting copies thereof, attested by the person to whom the same is directed, in three or more public places in the town of Millis, seven days at least before such time of meeting. Such justice, or in his absence such inhabitant required to notify the meeting, shall pre-

side until the choice of moderator in said town meeting. The selectmen of the town of Medway shall, before said meeting, prepare a list of voters in the town of Millis, qualified to vote at said meeting, and shall deliver the same to the person presiding at such meeting before the choice of moderator thereof.

SECTION 8. The town of Millis shall bear the expense of making the necessary surveys and establishing the lines between the towns of Medway and Millis. Millis to pay for surveys, etc.

SECTION 9. The town of Medway shall pay to the town of Millis a quarter part of whatever amount may hereafter be refunded to said town of Medway, from the state or United States, to re-imburse it for bounties to soldiers, or state aid heretofore paid to the families of soldiers, after deducting all reasonable expenses. Reimbursement for bounties and for state aid to soldiers.

SECTION 10. All rights heretofore secured to existing corporations upon the territory hereby incorporated shall continue as though this act had not been passed. Rights of existing corporations to continue.

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 24, 1885.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUPREME PARLIAMENT OF THE GOLDEN RULE ALLIANCE.

Chap. 38

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Supreme Parliament of the Golden Rule Alliance, a corporation organized under chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Public Statutes, may receive as members other persons than those described in its certificate of organization. Admission of members.

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

Approved February 25, 1885.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR INCIDENTAL, CONTINGENT AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND COMMISSIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Chap. 39

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, for the purposes specified, to be paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth, to meet current expenses of the year ending on the thirty-first day of December in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, to wit: — Appropriations.