

An ACT relating to the Commonwealth Bank and other Banking Corporations.

Chap 117.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :*

SECT. 1. The President, Directors and Company of the Commonwealth Bank are hereby continued a corporation for the period of twelve months from the second day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-one.

Extension of the existence of the bank.

SECT. 2. The said corporation, and every other banking corporation to which, by any other Act or Acts of this legislature, an extension of time has been allowed for the purpose of closing its concerns, and the directors and stockholders of each of the said corporations shall, during such extended time, be entitled to all the powers and privileges which they now enjoy, and be subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities, and to any suits, actions or proceedings, at law or in equity, to which they respectively now are or might have been subject, and to which they would be subject at the time when the said corporations would otherwise cease to be bodies corporate, had not this Act or such other Act or Acts been passed. [*Approved by the Governor, March 18, 1841.*]

General provisions in regard to banks which are allowed extended time to close concerns.

An ACT to incorporate the Boston Mining Company.

Chap 118.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :*

SECT. 1. Phillip T. Heartt, Royal L. Porter and Henry D. Rice, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Boston Mining Company, for the purpose of exploring and working mines of coal, and other minerals, and prosecuting the several branches of the coal and mining business in Bristol and Suffolk counties, or elsewhere in this Commonwealth ; and for these purposes shall have all the powers and privileges, and be subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in the thirty-eighth and forty-fourth chapters of the Revised Statutes ; and said corporation shall not deal in any coal other than that which is obtained from their own mining operations.

Persons incorporated.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may hold, for the purposes aforesaid, real estate to the amount of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and the whole capital stock shall not exceed three hundred and fifty thousand dollars. [*Approved by the Governor, March 18, 1841.*]

Estate.

An ACT providing for the Measuring of Upper Leather.

Chap 119.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :*

SECT. 1. The mayor and aldermen of the several cities, and the selectmen of the several towns, in this Commonwealth, shall annually, in the month of April, when thereto requested by two or more citizens of said cities or towns, appoint one or more

Authority given for appointment of measurers of upper leather.

persons as measurers of upper leather, who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duty.

Duty of measurers.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of said measurers, appointed as aforesaid, to go, whenever requested, to any place within the town or city for which they are appointed measurers, to measure and seal any number of sides of upper leather, made of the hides of neat cattle, buffalo or other animal, usually heretofore sold by measure, except such as shall have been previously measured and sealed by one of the measurers of the same town or city, or of some other town or city in this State, or by some person lawfully appointed for that purpose in some other of the United States.

Same subject.

SECT. 3. Each measurer shall furnish himself with proper racks or measures, for the purpose of ascertaining the number of square feet in each side of upper leather which he shall be requested to measure, and also suitable seals, and shall impress thereon his name, and the name of the place for which he is a measurer, at full length, and also the measure thereof in square feet, as low as a quarter.

Penalty for counterfeiting measurers' marks, &c.

SECT. 4. If any person shall counterfeit, wilfully alter or deface such marks, on any side of upper leather so measured, he shall, for each offence, forfeit the sum of twenty-five dollars, one half to the use of the complainant, and one half to the use of the town where such offence shall have been committed.

Fees of measurer.

SECT. 5. Every measurer shall be paid for measuring and sealing each side of upper leather, the sum of one cent, which shall be paid by the person who shall have requested him to measure and seal the same. [*Approved by the Governor, March 18, 1841.*]

## Chap 120.

An Act in addition to an Act to establish the City of Lowell.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :*

Provision for filling any vacancy in the common council.

If a vacancy shall at any time happen in the common council of the city of Lowell, by reason of the death, resignation or removal from the city aforesaid of any member of said council, the mayor and aldermen of said city are authorized to issue their warrant, calling a meeting of the inhabitants of the ward in which such member was elected ; and a new election may thereupon be had for the purpose of filling such vacancy, in conformity to the provisions of the twentieth section of an Act passed on the first day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, entitled an Act to establish the city of Lowell. [*Approved by the Governor, March 18, 1841.*]

## Chap 121.

An Act to incorporate the Rotary Steam Engine Company.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :*

Persons incorporated.

SECT. 1. Jesse Tuttle, Benjamin Dodd, Zenas Snow, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation