

forty-fourth chapters of the Revised Statutes, and in the thirty-fifth and one hundred seventy-eighth chapters of the acts of the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight. [*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 5, 1844.*]

*Chap. 8.*

An Act in addition to an Act to incorporate the Worcester Branch Rail-road Company.

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

Time for completion of road extended one year.

The further period of one year beyond the time mentioned in the act to which this in addition, is hereby granted to said company for completing their rail-road. [*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 5, 1844.*]

*Chap. 9.*

An Act relating to Masters in Chancery.

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

Repeal of provisions for the qualification of masters in chancery.

SECT. 1. The thirty-second section of chapter eighty-eight in the Revised Statutes, requiring masters in chancery to be sworn by the supreme judicial court or the court of common pleas, or by any justice of either of said courts in vacation, is hereby repealed.

Masters to be qualified like other officers appointed by the governor and council.

SECT. 2. Masters in chancery, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of their office, shall take and subscribe the oaths or affirmations required by the constitution and laws to be taken and subscribed by persons appointed or commissioned by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, and such oaths or affirmations shall be taken and subscribed by masters in chancery before such officers or persons as already provided in and by the constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. [*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 5, 1844.*]

*Chap. 10.*

An Act in addition to an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of Sargent's Wharf, in Boston."

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

May purchase real estate—

SECT. 1. The proprietors of Sargent's Wharf, a corporation established by law, be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to employ so much of their capital, as they may see fit, in the purchase of real estate adjoining their original limits, as set forth in their act of incorporation, passed A. D. 1836.

—and have the same powers in relation thereto

SECT. 2. The said proprietors shall have all the powers in relation to such additional real estate, which by their act of incorporation they now have, in relation to the land