

Wells, of Roxbury, a minor, may take the name of George William Wells,—all of the county of Norfolk. Ann Elizabeth Nichols, of New Bedford, may take the name of Ann Elizabeth Nichols Eddy; Caroline H. Jenney, of New Bedford, may take the name of Caroline Bartlett Hall,—of the county of Bristol. Mason McLauthlin may take the name of Henry Mason; Hannah McLauthlin, his wife, may take the name of Hannah Mason; George Mason McLauthlin, their minor son, may take the name of George Mason, all of Duxbury; Albert Torrey, a minor, of Scituate, may take the name of Henry Albert Torrey; Return Tilden, of Marshfield, may take the name of Elliot Return Tilden; Jacob Steison, of Abington, may take the name of Jacob Shaw; Merrill Whitmarsh, of East Bridgewater, may take the name of Mary Livingston Whitmarsh,—all of the county of Plymouth. Warren Fish Baker, of Falmouth, may take the name of Henry Baker; Nathaniel Hopkins, a minor, of Truro, may take the name of Sylvanus Rich Hopkins; John Cogswell, a minor, of Yarmouth, may take the name of John Bear Doane Cogswell; Albert Dunbar, jr., a minor, of Yarmouth, may take the name of Albert Henry Dunbar; Daniel A. Rich, of Truro, a minor, may take the name of Henry Holmes Rich; Horace C. Davis, of Barnstable, a minor, may take the name of Daniel Davis,—all of the county of Barnstable. And the several persons before mentioned, from and after the passing of this act, shall be known and called by the names which by this act they are respectively allowed to assume as aforesaid; and the same shall hereafter be considered as their only proper and legal names. [*Approved by the Governor, March 16, 1844.*]

Chap 136.

An Act to incorporate the Stoughton 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:

Persons incor-
porated.

SECT. 1. Israel Tisdale, junior, Lyman Kingsley and Martin Wales, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities, set forth in the forty-fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes, and in that part of the thirty-ninth chapter of the said statutes, and the statutes subsequently passed, relating to rail-road corporations.

Location of the
road.

SECT. 2. Said company may construct a rail-road from a point, at or near the depot of the Boston and Providence Rail-road Corporation, in the town of Canton, and thence running in a southeasterly direction to Taunton road, near a stone dwelling-house belonging to the heirs of Elijah Crane, deceased, thence crossing the Forge Pond, so called,

and running east of the Bolivar Factory in said Canton, thence passing near the house of William Henry, in Stoughton, thence passing near the house of Lemuel Bird, and terminating near the Congregational Meeting-house, in Stoughton Village, on land of Benjamin Capen, Simeon Tucker or Nathaniel Morton, or some other convenient place in said village.

SECT. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and said company may invest such part thereof in real estate, as may be found necessary and convenient for the purposes of said road.

Capital stock not to exceed \$150,000, in shares of \$100.

Real estate.

SECT. 4. The Legislature may regulate the fare on said road whenever the income shall exceed ten per cent.; and authorize any other rail-road to enter on and use the same for such tolls as the Legislature may, from time to time prescribe.

The Legislature may regulate fares, provided, &c. and authorize other companies to use the road.

SECT. 5. The said Branch Rail-road Company may enter and unite their rail-road with the Boston and Providence Rail-road at the point mentioned in the second section of this act, paying for the right to use the same, or any part thereof, such a rate of toll as may be mutually agreed upon by the parties, or as the Legislature may from time to time prescribe.

May unite with the Boston and Providence Rail-road, provided, &c.

SECT. 6. If the location of said road be not filed according to law, or if the said company shall not complete said road with one track at least, within three years, then this act shall be void.

Time for locating and completing the road.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [*Approved by the Governor, March 16, 1844.*]

When to take effect.

An Act to incorporate the Groton 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:

Chap 137.

SECT. 1. Benjamin M. Farley, Nathaniel P. Smith, and John G. Park, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Groton Branch Rail-road Company, with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities, set forth in the forty-fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes, and in that part of the thirty-ninth chapter of said statutes, which relates to rail-road corporations, and in the statutes of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, chapter two hundred and twenty-six, and in the statutes of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, chapter ninety-nine.

Persons incorporated.

SECT. 2. The said company may construct a rail-road upon the following route, viz: commencing at a point upon the Boston and Fitchburg Rail-road, near school-house

Location of road.