

- and may appoint a deputy, &c.
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- faithful discharge of the duties of said office; and in case of the sickness or disability of the said harbor-master, he may appoint a deputy, subject to the approval of said mayor and aldermen, to perform his duties during such sickness or disability; and said harbor-master shall be allowed and paid quarterly, out of the city treasury, such salary for his services as said city council shall, from time to time, establish.
- SECTION 6. It shall be the duty of the said harbor-master to enforce the execution of the several provisions of this act, and of all other laws of the Commonwealth relating, in any way, to said harbor, and to prosecute all violations of such laws and ordinances, and to take all lawful measures to prevent the doing of any act by which the flow of the tides, or the force, direction, or depth, of the current into, out of, or through the said harbor may, in any degree, be injuriously affected. And said harbor-master shall also have authority so to regulate the anchorage of vessels, that, as far as may be practicable, ferry-boats may pass unobstructed, and the channel shall be kept clear from the wharves to Castle Island.
- SECTION 7. All said several penalties may be recovered by complaint before the police court of the city of Boston, or by indictment, for the use of the said city.
- SECTION 8. This act shall take effect on and after the first day of July next. [*Approved by the Governor, April 23, 1847.*]

Chap 235. An Act ceding to the United States jurisdiction over a Ledge of Rocks lying off the Island of Cuttyhunk, and over a lot of land in Fairhaven.

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

- Jurisdiction ceded for light-houses, &c.
- SECTION 1. Jurisdiction over a ledge of rocks, lying off the southwest side of the island of Cuttyhunk, one of the Elizabeth Islands, called the Sow and Pigs, and over a lot of land not exceeding one quarter of an acre, situate near the Old Fort, above high-water mark, in the town of Fairhaven, upon which the United States coast surveyors have recently erected a temporary beacon, said one quarter of an acre to be laid out so that the rock on which said beacon is placed may be as near the centre of said land as possible, is hereby granted to the United States of America, for the purpose of erecting thereon, or placing over the same, light-houses, beacons, or light boats: *provided*, that this Commonwealth shall retain, and does hereby retain, concurrent jurisdiction, with the United States, in and over said ledge of rocks and over said lot of land, so far that all civil and criminal processes issued under the authority of this Commonwealth, or any officer thereof, may be executed on
- Provided, that the Commonwealth retains concurrent jurisdiction, so far that, &c.*

any part of said ledge of rocks, and on any part of said lot of land, or in any building which may be erected thereon, in the same way and manner as if jurisdiction had not been granted as aforesaid.

SECTION 2. The property over which jurisdiction is granted by this act, shall be exonerated and discharged from all taxes and assessments which may be laid or imposed under the authority of this Commonwealth, while said ledge and land shall be used for the purpose of erecting and maintaining light-houses, beacons, or light boats, thereon.

Property exonerated from taxation.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [*Approved by the Governor, April 23, 1847.*]

When to take effect.

An Act to incorporate the Essex Sugar Refinery.

Chap 236.

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

SECTION 1. John Somes, John L. Rogers, and William Babson, Jr., their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation, by the name of the Essex Sugar Refinery, for the purpose of manufacturing and refining sugar, in the town of Gloucester, county of Essex, with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions, and liabilities, set forth in the thirty-eighth and forty-fourth chapters of the Revised Statutes.

Persons incorporated,

to manufacture and refine sugar in Gloucester.

SECTION 2. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate, necessary and convenient for the purposes aforesaid, not exceeding in amount eighty thousand dollars. [*Approved by the Governor, April 23, 1847.*]

Estate not to exceed \$80,000.

An Act establishing the Salary of the Messenger to the Governor and Council.

Chap 237.

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

From and after the first day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, the messenger to the governor and council shall receive a salary of eight hundred dollars a year, to be paid quarterly, which said sum shall be in full for all services rendered by him in said office. [*Approved by the Governor, April 23, 1847.*]

Annual salary to be \$800, from January 1, 1847, &c.

An Act to incorporate the Stoneham Branch Rail-road Company.

Chap 238.

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

SECTION 1. Solon Dike, John Hill, and Allen Rowe, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation, by the name of the Stoneham Branch Rail-road Company,

Persons incorporated.