

may hereafter be in force and applicable to such corporations.

SECTION 2. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate for the purposes aforesaid to an amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, which shall not be exempt from taxation.

Real and personal estate.

SECTION 3. The trustees of such corporation shall have authority to fill all vacancies in their board, but the number of said trustees shall never exceed nine.

Trustees not to exceed nine. Vacancies.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved March 29, 1873.*

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF NEWBURYPORT TO DISCONTINUE CERTAIN COMMON LANDING-PLACES IN SAID CITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Ch. 136.

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

SECTION 1. License is given to the city of Newburyport to discontinue all the common landing-places, known as town and public landings, situated between Central Wharf and the point of intersection of the Newburyport City Railroad and Water Street in said city, and to fill up, use and improve the flats where said landing-places now are, subject to the provisions of chapter four hundred and thirty-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.

May discontinue common landing places and fill up flats.

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

*Approved March 29, 1873.*

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME WITHIN WHICH ACTIONS AND PROSECUTIONS UNDER THE LAWS RELATING TO INLAND FISHERIES MAY BE COMMENCED.

Ch. 137.

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

SECTION 1. Section thirty-two of chapter three hundred eighty-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred sixty-nine is amended by striking out the words "four months," and inserting the words "one year" instead thereof.

Amendment to 1869, 384, § 32.

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

*Approved March 29, 1873.*

AN ACT FOR THE BETTER ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF FITCHBURG.

Ch. 138.

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

SECTION 1. The city council of the city of Fitchburg may establish a fire department for said city, to consist of a chief-engineer, and as many assistant engineers, not exceeding eight, and other officers, and as many engine-

Fire department may be established by city council.