

tion shall consist of seven members only and shall have power to fill vacancies within itself. Four of the members shall be members of the Massachusetts bar. The corporation is hereby empowered to take over the property of the corporation known as the Portia School of Law situated in Tremont Temple in the city of Boston.

May take over certain property.

Powers and duties.

SECTION 2. The purpose of the said corporation shall be to furnish instruction in law to women only, and for this purpose it may appoint such teachers and lecturers and adopt such form of organization, by-laws, regulations and methods of administration as it may deem advisable. The corporation shall provide suitable offices, library and lecture halls, and shall pay the expense of maintaining the said school, directing its income to that end.

May grant degree of Bachelor of Laws.

SECTION 3. The course of instruction furnished by the corporation shall occupy not less than four years, and to students of the school, properly accredited and recommended by a majority of the faculty of the school, the corporation may grant the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

Approved June 27, 1919.

Chap. 220 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF LYNN TO ACCEPT IN TRUST A CONVEYANCE OF THE GRAND ARMY BUILDING IN THAT CITY.

Preamble.

Whereas, The surviving members of General Lander Post 5, Grand Army of the Republic, realizing that in a very few years they will all have answered to the call of Almighty God, and shall have passed from this life, desire to take such steps as shall serve to perpetuate the memory of the men who fought in the civil war between the states, that the Union might be preserved and that there should be no disintegration of the United States of America; and with this end in view, and fully appreciating the cheerful assistance given by the people of Lynn to the said post whenever aid was needed, and to show their loyalty, patriotism and love for said city, they desire to convey to the city of Lynn the property on Andrew street known as Grand Army Hall; therefore,

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Lynn may accept in trust a conveyance of the

SECTION 1. In pursuance of a vote of the General Lander Building Association, at a regular meeting held April fifth,

nineteen hundred and nineteen, which vote was signed by Henry C. Mears, president, and Thomas H. Felter, clerk, and attested as official by Clarence M. Sprague, commander of General Lander Post 5, Grand Army of the Republic, and John Anderson, adjutant, directing the board of directors to take action with a view to turning over to the city of Lynn the property on Andrew street, known as Grand Army Hall, for a memorial building, the General Lander Building Association, and General Lander Post 5 of the Grand Army of the Republic, acting by the following members of the post and directors of the said association, namely, Henry C. Mears, president of the directors, Thomas H. Felter, clerk, and Augustus J. Hoitt, Clarence M. Sprague, I. Otis Willey, Alfred W. Tirrell, Alexander S. Wright, John W. Young, or a majority of the said persons or of their successors as directors of the said association, are hereby authorized to convey in trust to the city of Lynn, the Grand Army building on Andrew street in the said city, and the land appurtenant thereto, and the city of Lynn is hereby authorized to accept the same upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

Grand Army building in that city.

SECTION 2. The city of Lynn, by its acceptance of the conveyance authorized by this act, shall forever maintain the said building as a memorial to the men of Lynn who served in the army or navy of the United States in the civil war, shall keep the building in good repair and properly equipped, heated and lighted, and shall replace it if it should be destroyed by fire or otherwise, shall preserve the main hall thereof and the pictures therein, so far as possible, in the same condition in which they now are, and shall permit the use of the said hall, free of charge, for meetings of the inhabitants of Lynn for patriotic, charitable, benevolent or educational purposes, and for meetings or entertainments given by churches or by religious, charitable or benevolent societies: *provided*, that no fee for admission to the said hall so used shall be charged by the said city, or by any person, association or corporation to which the use of the same is granted.

Building to be maintained as a memorial to civil war veterans, etc.

Use of hall in building, etc.

Proviso.

SECTION 3. The city shall also on every memorial day place a flag of the United States upon every grave or tomb in the city in which is buried or placed the body of any soldier or sailor who served in the army or navy of the United States during the civil war.

City to place flag upon graves of civil war veterans.

Powers and duties to be exercised by a board of trustees, etc.

Proviso.

Chairman and secretary of board of trustees.

Custodian.

Disposition of proceeds from rentals, etc.

SECTION 4. The powers and duties hereby conferred and imposed upon the city of Lynn shall be exercised and performed by an unpaid board of seven trustees to be appointed by the mayor, with the approval of the city council, to serve for terms of three years, except that of the initial appointees two shall serve for two years, two for three years, and three for four years. Any vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. A majority of the trustees shall always be descendants of men who served in the army or navy of the United States during the civil war, and were honorably discharged therefrom: *provided*, that a sufficient number of such persons suitable so to serve, can be obtained. Preference in the office of trustee shall next be given to persons who have served in the army or navy of the United States and have received an honorable discharge or release therefrom. No person, however, shall be appointed as trustee unless he is a native-born citizen of the United States, is above the age of thirty years, and has been a resident of the city of Lynn for at least five consecutive years preceding his appointment. The mayor shall designate one member of the board as chairman, and the board shall elect one of its members as secretary. Any member or members of said board may be removed by the mayor for cause. The trustees shall have charge and care of the building and of its maintenance and use, subject to approval of the mayor and of the city council. They shall appoint a custodian therefor, and shall fix his compensation, but the custodian may at any time be removed by the trustees, or a majority of them, without such approval. The trustees may appoint other necessary officers or employees for the care of the building, and may fix their compensation. The trustees shall fix and receive any rentals to be derived from the use of any part of the present building, and shall devote the proceeds to its maintenance, and shall use any surplus for the relief of indigent families or descendants of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war, and were honorably discharged from such service or released from active duty therein, or for charitable, patriotic or benevolent purposes by the board of trustees, subject to the approval of the mayor. The trustees may, with the approval of the mayor and city council, at any time, subject to any existing lease, devote the whole building to the purposes set forth in this act, and shall make all necessary rules and regulations relative thereto.

SECTION 5. The property above described shall be turned over to the city of Lynn at such time, and under such further conditions or regulations, as may be agreed upon within one year from the date of the passage of this act between the city of Lynn and the said General Lander Building Association.

Time of turning over property, etc.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved July 2, 1919.

[1914, 138, Res.; 1916, 48, Res.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF BEVERLY HARBOR. Chap. 221

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would unnecessarily delay the improvement herein provided for in co-operation with the federal government, which is ready to undertake the same at once; accordingly, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Emergency preamble.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The sum of fifty thousand dollars allowed by chapter one hundred and thirty-eight of the resolves of nineteen hundred and fourteen for the improvement of Beverly harbor may, at any time within three years after the passage of this act, be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth and placed to the credit of the secretary of war of the United States as a cash deposit for the improvement of said harbor in accordance with a project of the federal government for which congress has appropriated and made available the sum of sixty-one thousand five hundred dollars, the total cost of the improvement having been estimated by the federal government to be one hundred and seventy-three thousand dollars.

Appropriation for improvement of Beverly harbor to be placed to credit of secretary of war of United States, etc.

SECTION 2. The said sum of fifty thousand dollars shall be expended in connection with and in addition to said appropriation of sixty-one thousand five hundred dollars, or in connection with or in addition to any future appropriation or appropriations made by congress for the improvement of the said harbor.

To be expended in connection with appropriation by congress, etc.

SECTION 3. So much of chapter one hundred and thirty-eight of the resolves of nineteen hundred and fourteen, of chapter forty-nine of the resolves of nineteen hundred and sixteen and of chapter eight of the resolves of nineteen hun-

Repeal.