

Chap 185.

An Act to incorporate the Hanover 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.

SECTION 1. John Cushing, George Curtis and John Sylvester, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation, by the name of the Hanover 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 the Revised Statutes relating to rail-road corporations, and the public statutes which have been or may be passed, relating to such corporations.

Location of
road.

SECTION 2. Said company is hereby authorized to construct and maintain a rail-road, extending from some point near the Four Corners, in Hanover, through parts of Hanover and Abington, to some convenient point of intersection with the Old Colony Rail-road in Abington.

Capital stock
not to exceed
\$125,000, in
shares of \$100.

SECTION 3. The capital stock of said company shall consist of not more than twelve hundred and fifty shares, of one hundred dollars each, the number of which shall be determined, from time to time, by the directors thereof; and the said company may take, purchase, and hold such real estate, on the line of said rail-road, and may purchase and hold such cars, engines, and other personal property, as may be necessary and convenient for the purposes of the rail-road.

Time for lo-
cating and com-
pleting the road.

SECTION 4. If the location of said rail-road shall not be filed within one year, and said rail-road be not constructed within three years from the passage of this act, then the same shall be void.

May enter upon
and use the Old
Colony Rail-
road.

SECTION 5. The said Hanover Branch Rail-road Company may also enter upon and unite their rail-road, by proper turnouts and switches, with the Old Colony Rail-road at the point of intersection aforesaid, and use the same, or any part thereof.

The Legislature
may authorize
its use by any
other company.

SECTION 6. The Legislature may authorize any company to enter with another rail-road upon, and use the said Hanover Branch Rail-road, or any part thereof, by complying with such reasonable rules and regulations as the said Hanover Branch Rail-road Company may prescribe, or as may be determined according to the provisions of law.

May transfer
property, &c.,
to Old Colony
Rail road Cor-
poration.

SECTION 7. The corporation hereby established, is authorized to transfer all its property, rights, privileges and franchise, under this charter, to the Old Colony Rail-road Corporation, or its successors, whenever said last named corporation, or its successors, shall elect to receive and hold the same, in such manner and upon such terms as shall be mutually agreed upon; and, upon such transfer,

said Old Colony Rail-road Corporation shall enjoy and be invested with all the powers, privileges and franchise, hereby granted, and shall be subject to all the restrictions and liabilities hereby imposed. [*Approved by the Governor, April 6, 1846.*]

An Act to incorporate the Merchants and Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Chap 186.

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

Frederic Wm. Paine, Isaac Davis, and Frederic W. Gale of Worcester, in the county of Worcester, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation, by the name of the Merchants and Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, in the town of Worcester, in the county of Worcester, for the term of twenty-eight years, for the purpose of insuring buildings within the State of Massachusetts, stock in trade, and all other kinds of personal property, with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities, set forth in the thirty-seventh and forty-fourth chapters of the Revised Statutes. [*Approved by the Governor, April 6, 1846.*]

Persons incorporated in Worcester, to insure fire risks in Massachusetts for 28 years.

An Act authorizing George Parkman to extend a Wharf in Boston.

Chap 187.

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

George Parkman is hereby authorized to extend and maintain his wharf on North Grove Street, in the city of Boston, as far as the line established as the commissioners' line, by the act entitled "An Act to preserve the Harbor of Boston, and to prevent encroachments therein," passed on the nineteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and to lay vessels at the end and sides of his said wharf, extended as aforesaid, and receive dockage and wharfage therefor, but not to injure or interfere with the legal rights or the property of any other person or persons : *provided, however,* that this grant shall not be construed to extend to any flats or land of this Commonwealth, lying in front of the flats of any other person, or which would be comprehended by the true lines of such flats continued to the said commissioners' line. And *provided, also,* that so much of said wharf as shall be erected below low water mark, shall be built on piles, which piles shall not be nearer to each other than six feet in the direction of the stream, and eight feet in a transverse direction. [*Approved by the Governor, April 6, 1846.*]

Wharf in Boston may be extended to the line, &c.

Provided, &c.