

Chap. 242 AN ACT CONCERNING SHADE AND ORNAMENTAL TREES STANDING IN HIGHWAYS AND STREETS.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

Person shall not remove tree until ten days after city or town has failed to respond to notice of intention.

SECTION 1. No person who has by law a right to cut down or remove any ornamental or shade tree standing in any highway, town way or street, shall exercise such right without first giving notice of his intention to one of the selectmen of the town or mayor of the city in which the tree stands; and, if the selectmen of the town or mayor and aldermen of the city desire to retain the tree, they shall give notice thereof to such person within ten days after his notice to them; and in that case, the same course shall be taken and the same rules apply as to the assessment, appeal and final determination and payment of the damage such person may suffer by the retaining of said tree, as in the case of damage done by an alteration in such highway, town way or street.

If city or town retain, damage to be fixed as for change in highways.

Penalty if person violate this act or rights of municipality under.

SECTION 2. If any such person shall cut down, remove or injure such tree without first giving the notice required in the foregoing section or in violation of any of the provisions thereof, or of the rights of the city or town acquired thereunder to maintain the same, he shall suffer the penalty provided for the injury or destroying of ornamental or shade trees in the seventh section of the forty-sixth chapter of the General Statutes, and the penalty in such case shall accrue to the town or city.

Act in force when accepted by city or town.

SECTION 3. This act shall not be in force in any town or city until it shall be accepted by a majority of the legal voters in such town at a meeting legally called therefor, or by the city council.

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

Approved May 16, 1867.

Chap. 243 AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTS OF PRIVATE CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

Society or institution aided by state shall report doings to board of charities.

SECTION 1. Every private society or institution for charitable purposes when aided by a grant of money from the state treasury, shall cause to be annually prepared and forwarded to the board of state charities, a report of all its proceedings, income and expenditures, properly classified for the year ending on the thirtieth day of September; which report shall state the sum appropriated by the state, the sum expended under said appropriation, the whole number and the average number of beneficiaries, the number and salary of officers and employees, and such other information as the board of state charities may require.

SECTION 2. The report provided for in the preceding section may be either in writing or in print. If in writing, it shall be sent in to the board of state charities on or before the fifteenth day of October, and if in print, on or before the first day of November, in each year; and for the present year shall be held to apply to all appropriations made or expenses incurred between the thirtieth day of September in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and the thirtieth day of September in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

Report, if in writing, to be in on fifteenth October, if in print, on first November.

For 1867, how construed to apply.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 16, 1867.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MILFORD AND WOONSOCKET RAILROAD COMPANY.

Chap. 244

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Milford and Woonsocket Railroad Company is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock by the addition of such number of shares not exceeding two hundred and fifty shares of one hundred dollars each, as the directors of said corporation may from time to time determine.

May increase capital stock.

SECTION 2. The chairman of the board of selectmen or, in his absence, the treasurer of the town of Milford, shall have authority to represent said town as a stockholder at any meeting of the said company.

Town of Milford, how may attend meeting of corporation.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 16, 1867.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE HARBOR LINES IN THE HARBOR OF GLOUCESTER.

Chap. 245

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

SECTION 1. The harbor line of the harbor of Gloucester is hereby altered, as follows: commencing at a point on the present harbor line, two hundred and twenty-six feet from monument A; thence in a straight line north-easterly three hundred and two feet to a point thirty feet from where the present harbor line touches the south-west corner of the present wharf of George H. Rogers; thence in a straight line north-easterly three hundred and thirteen feet to a point thirty feet south-easterly from where the said harbor line touches the present wharf of said Rogers; thence two hundred and eighty feet to a point twenty feet from the point where the said harbor line touches the salient angle of the present wharf of said Rogers; thence one hundred and forty-five feet to the point where the said harbor line touches the north-easterly corner of the present wharf of said Rogers.

Lines defined.