

**Chap. 221** AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE PASSAGE OF VESSELS THROUGH DRAWS IN RAILROAD BRIDGES OVER FORT POINT CHANNEL AND CHARLES RIVER.

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

Steamboats not to be delayed in passage through draws of railroad bridges over Charles River and Fort Point Channel.

On Charles River and Fort Point Channel, no vessel propelled by steam, or towed by a vessel propelled by steam, shall be delayed in its passage through the draw of a railroad bridge except so far as shall be necessary to permit a railroad train approaching such draw, and in sight from the stopping-place of the train at such draw, to cross the same: *provided*, that such draw need not be opened within five minutes before the time, by the time-table, for an outgoing train to start.

Penalty for violation.

Any railroad corporation, or any person or persons operating a railroad that shall, in violation of this act delay in its passage any such vessel by a failure to open a draw in a bridge of such corporation, person or persons, shall incur a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than a hundred dollars for each offence.

*Approved April 18, 1872.*

**Chap. 222** AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE NEW BEDFORD WATER WORKS.

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

Storing reservoir of New Bedford water works not to be entered upon or fished in, without permission of water board, under penalty.

SECTION 1. Any person who enters upon the storing reservoir of the water works of the city of New Bedford, or upon any lands of said city on the margin of said reservoir, or who launches or puts any boat or raft into the waters thereof, or who fishes for or takes any fish in said waters, or who throws, conducts or places any substance or thing in said waters, without the permission of the water board of said city, shall, on conviction, pay a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than twenty dollars for each offence, and the costs of prosecution, which may be either by complaint or indictment: *provided*, that nothing in this act shall interfere with any right of way, which the water commissioners of New Bedford may have granted, in acquiring the title of the lands of said reservoir.

Proviso.

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

*Approved April 20, 1872.*

**Chap. 223** AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH COVE CORPORATION.

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

May hold and convey lands and flats not exceeding sixty acres.

SECTION 1. The South Cove Corporation shall have authority to hold, purchase, improve and convey lands and flats, not exceeding in all sixty acres, including therein the lands conveyed by Francis Jackson to Uriel Crocker, Ellis