

Railroad Company and the Middlesex Railroad Company, dated on the fifth day of January in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six, and an indenture of two parts made between the Middlesex Railroad Company and the Union Railway Company, dated the first day of February in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six, are hereby ratified, confirmed, and declared valid. All acts and proceedings heretofore done under and in accordance with said indentures, are hereby declared valid and legal.

*Approved March 22, 1876.*

**Chap. 54.** AN ACT IN ADDITION TO "AN ACT TO SUPPLY THE TOWN OF NEWTON WITH WATER."

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

City of Newton may take lands in Needham and convey water therefrom.

SECTION 1. For the purposes stated in chapter three hundred and forty-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two, and subject to the provisions of said act, the city of Newton is hereby authorized to take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands within the town of Needham, not more than one thousand yards distant from Charles River, and lying between Kenrick's Bridge, so called, and the new bridge near Newton Upper Falls, and to convey water from the same to and into said city.

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

*Approved March 22, 1876.*

**Chap. 55.** AN ACT CONCERNING THE REBUILDING IN PART OF THE NEWBURYPORT AND SALISBURY BRIDGE.

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

Newburyport and Salisbury may be indemnified in part for rebuilding bridge over Merrimack River.

SECTION 1. The county commissioners of the county of Essex may allow from the treasury of said county, to the city of Newburyport and to the town of Salisbury respectively, such a sum of money as they may think just and equitable, to indemnify them in part for the expense of rebuilding such portion of the Newburyport Bridge over the Merrimack River as has been rebuilt by reason of damages occasioned by the freshet in the winter of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five: *provided*, that the sum so allowed to said city and town shall not exceed one-third of the amount which they have expended for the object aforesaid.

Proviso.

Commissioners may borrow money.

SECTION 2. The said commissioners, if need be, are hereby authorized to borrow money for the purpose of making said repairs.

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

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