

not only for himself, but for his Deputy, to pay the just Value of the Vessel & her Cargo, or whatever damage may be sustained thereby, to be sued for & recovered by the Owner or Owners, Insurer or Insurers thereof in any Court proper to try the same.

Inward pilots to secure vessels they bring in.

SECT. 11TH. *And be it further enacted*, that it shall be the duty of every pilot, or his deputy of the inward division of the port aforesaid, after having brought any Vessel into the port aforesaid, to see such Vessel properly moored in the Stream, or secured to the Wharf, at the Option of the Master, within Twenty four hours after the Arrival of such Vessel.

Hulls of vessels liable for pilotage.

SECT. 12TH. *And be it further enacted* that the Hull & Appurtenances of all Vessels so piloted into or out of the harbor aforesaid, shall at all times within the space of sixty days be liable for the Charges of Pilotage agreeably to the Terms herein before expressed.

*Approved March 10, 1797.*

### 1796. — Chapter 86.

[January Session, ch. 54.]

AN ACT TO REPEAL AN ACT PASSED THE TWENTIETH DAY OF JUNE ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY EIGHT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PREVENT THE DESTRUCTION OF SALMON AND SHAD IN CONNECTICUT RIVER."

Preamble.

*Whereas the beneficial effects contemplated by the Act aforesaid have not been produced thereby, and the further continuance thereof is unnecessary — Therefore*

Act repealed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and house of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, that the Act aforesaid and every part thereof, from and after the passing of this Act shall be and the same is hereby repeal'd.*

*Approved March 11, 1797.*

### 1796. — Chapter 87.

[January Session, ch. 49.]

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT NOW SETTING IN BOSTON AGAIN TO CONVENE THE GRAND JURY THEREOF.

Preamble.

*Whereas the supreme Judicial Court begun and holden at Boston within and for the County of Suffolk on the third Tuesday of February last, have lately discharged the grand Jury summoned and convened in and for the present*

*term of the said Court; and whereas further matter appears for the enquiry and attention of the said grand Jury.*

Therefore

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled and by the authority of the same, that the said Court in their said present term shall have power if they judge best, to resummon and convene the said grand Jury at said Court on such day and hour during the said present term as the said Court shall appoint; — And to that end, the said Court shall have power by the Sherrif of said County or his Deputy to serve personal notice on each Juror of the said Jury to appear at said time and place. — And if any one of the said Jury shall neglect to appear and give his attendance as he shall be directed, without a reasonable excuse to be allowed by the said Court, he shall forfeit and pay ten dollars to be recovered and applied in the same manner as fines are, which are incurred by grand Jurors, by the Law of this Commonwealth. — And there shall be the same proceedings by the said Court and Jury, and their proceedings shall be valid in the same manner, as if the said Jury had not been discharged.*

Grand Jury may be re-summoned.

Penalty for non-attendance.

*Approved March 10, 1797.*

## 1796. — Chapter 88.

[January Session, ch. 53.]

AN ACT FOR THE EXTINGUISHMENT OF FIRE AND TO DIRECT THE PROCEEDINGS THEREAT.

SECT. 1. *Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, that each Town in this Commonwealth in their March or April Meeting annually wherein the qualified Voters shall think it expedient to choose Firewards, shall hereafter have power to elect such number of suitable persons to be Fire-wards therein as shall be deemed necessary; and each person so elected shall be notified thereof within three days; and shall, within three days after being so notified, enter his acceptance or refusal of the said office, with the town Clerk; and if any person being so elected and notified shall neglect to enter his acceptance or refusal as aforesaid, he shall forfeit and pay Ten Dollars, unless excused by the Town; and the Town shall have power to elect another in his place, in case of*

Firewards to be chosen.

Penalty for non-serving.