

Company, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—
Section 5. The said corporation for the purposes set forth in this act may hold real estate not exceeding in amount twenty thousand dollars; and the whole capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each; and said corporation may issue bonds, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property, to an amount not exceeding its capital stock actually paid in and applied to the purposes of its incorporation.

Real estate and capital stock.

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

Approved May 29, 1885.

Chap. 271

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE ASSESSMENT AND REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. In the months of May and June of each year, the assessors or assistant assessors of taxes shall visit each dwelling house or building in their respective cities or towns, and make a true list of all male persons, twenty years of age and upwards, liable to be assessed for a poll tax, returned to them by the owners or occupants of said dwelling houses or buildings as residing therein, together with their occupation and age, as near as may be, and residence on the first day of May of the preceding year; and shall also furnish the original list or a certified copy thereof to the registrars of voters of their respective cities and towns, from time to time, before the fifteenth day of July ensuing; and all assessors and collectors of taxes shall furnish any information in their possession necessary to aid the registrars and assistant registrars in the discharge of their respective duties.

List of male persons liable to poll tax, with residence, occupation and age, to be certified to registrars by the assessors.

SECTION 2. Any assessor or assistant assessor, who shall knowingly enter, or knowingly cause or allow to be entered, on the list of assessed polls, the name of any person not an actual resident of the dwelling house or building wherein he is assessed, shall be punished for each offence by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the house of correction or county jail for a term not exceeding six months; and any person who shall knowingly give to an assessor or assistant assessor, for the purpose of such assessment, the name of any person as a

Penalty on assessor for making false list.

Penalty on person giving false information.

resident of the house in which his name is given, who is not a resident of said house, shall be punished for each offence by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the house of correction or county jail for a term not exceeding three months.

SECTION 3. Every keeper of a tavern or boarding house, or master or mistress of a dwelling house shall, upon application of an assessor or assistant assessor of the city or town wherein such house is situated, give full and true information of the names of all persons residing therein and liable to be assessed for a poll tax. Every such keeper, master or mistress refusing or neglecting to give such information, after a written demand, of which this section shall form a part, has been duly served on him in person, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding three months. Every person who is an inmate of any house kept or controlled by such keeper, master or mistress, and who is liable to be so assessed, who shall refuse or neglect to give his own name, when required so to do by an assessor or assistant assessor, after a written demand, of which this section shall form a part, has been duly served on him in person, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding three months.

Keeper of boarding house, or master of dwelling house, etc., to give full information to assessors, under penalty.

SECTION 4. On complaint in writing, under oath, made by a registered voter of a city or town to the registrars of voters thereof, in such city at least seven days and in such town at least four days before an election, that he has reason to believe, and does believe, that a certain person whose name appears on the list of assessed polls of said city or town was not on the first day of May last past a resident at the house wherein he is assessed, and setting forth his reasons for such belief, the said registrars, if satisfied there is probable ground for such complaint, shall, after making a record of the same and due notice to the person whose residence is called in question, summoning him to appear before them in the manner provided in section thirty-two of chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, examine the charges set forth in said complaint, and, if satisfied that said charges are true, they shall erase the name or change the residence of such person, as the case

Correction of false entries upon the list.

may require, on the list of assessed polls transmitted to them by the assessors of such city or town, and shall make the corresponding change on the voting list, if the name be found thereon, and shall forthwith transmit a certified copy of their proceedings in such case to the said assessors. And any person so complained of, who shall, after such examination, be proven to be a resident of such city or town, and who shall apply for registration, shall be registered only in the place shown, by the evidence at such hearing, to be his legal residence on the first day of May of the current year.

Making false affidavit to be deemed perjury.

SECTION 5. Whoever shall knowingly or wilfully make a false affidavit under this act, regarding the qualifications of any voter, shall be deemed guilty of perjury.

Amendment to 1884, 298, § 25.

SECTION 6. Section twenty-five of chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four is hereby amended by striking out in the third and fourth lines thereof the words "fifteenth day of September," and inserting in place thereof the words "time fixed by law for the close of registration," and by striking out in the seventh line thereof the words "said fifteenth day of September," and inserting in place thereof the words "receipt of said notice."

To take effect Jan. 1, 1886.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-six.

Approved May 29, 1885.

Chap. 272 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE MYSTIC RIVER CORPORATION TO BUILD A PILE WHARF ALONG THE MAIN CHANNEL OF MYSTIC RIVER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

May build pile wharf along the main channel of Mystic River.

SECTION 1. The Mystic River Corporation may build a band of pile wharf along the outside face of its sea wall as authorized to be built, on the main channel of Mystic River, no part of said wharf to extend beyond a line located and described as follows: — Beginning at a point in the exterior line of inclosure authorized and defined in the first section of chapter four hundred and eighty-one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-five, entitled "An Act relating to the Mystic River Corporation," where said exterior line would be intersected by extending easterly the southerly side line of the solid wharf of said corporation as now built below Chelsea Bridge Avenue; thence running northerly in a straight