

SPECIAL ACTS

PASSED BY THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

State of Connecticut

AT THE

SPECIAL SESSIONS

SEPTEMBER 14, 1920, and

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL SESSIONS, 1920

At a General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, holden at Hartford, in said State, on September fourteenth, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and continued until the final adjournment thereof on September fourteenth, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty.

[House Bill No. 1.]

(Special Session, Sept. 14, 1920.)

[1.]

AN ACT CONCERNING EXPENSES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in full compensation for the expenses of this session of the General Assembly.

Approved Sept. 23, 1920.

At a General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, holden at Hartford, in said State, on September twenty-first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and continued until the final adjournment thereof on September twenty-first, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty.

[House Bill No. 3.]
(Special Session, Sept. 21, 1920.)

[1.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE FOR A WOMEN'S BUILDING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The sum of three hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars is appropriated for the Connecticut Agricultural College for the purpose of the erection of a women's building to be used as a dormitory and for instruction in home economics.

SEC. 2. The board of trustees of said college is appointed a building committee to serve without compensation and to have supervision over the expenditure of the sum appropriated in section one.

State of Connecticut,
House of Representatives, Sept. 21, 1920.

Reconsidered and passed, the veto of the Governor to contrary notwithstanding; Yea, 160, Nay, 1.

W. ARTHUR COUNTRYMAN, Jr., Clerk.

State of Connecticut,
Senate, Sept. 21, 1920.

Reconsidered and passed, veto of Governor to contrary notwithstanding. Those voting Yea, 25; Those voting Nay, 3.

LEO J. NOONAN, Asst. Clerk.

[House Bill No. 1.]
(Special Session, Sept. 21, 1920)

[2.]

AN ACT CONCERNING EXPENSES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in full compensation for the expenses of this session of the General Assembly.

Approved, September 23, 1920.

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SPECIAL ACTS

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General Assembly of the State of Connecticut

JANUARY SESSION, 1921

At a General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, holden at Hartford, in said State, on the Wednesday after the first Monday of January, being the fifth day of said month, and continuing until the final adjournment thereof, on Wednesday, the eighth day of June next following, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one.

[House Bill No. 3.]

[1.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SHELTON TO ISSUE NOTES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The board of aldermen of the city of Shelton is authorized, when in legal meeting assembled, by a vote of a majority of the members of said board of aldermen and subject to the approval of the mayor and also subject to the approval of the finance committee of said city, from year to year, to borrow a sum not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars in any one year and to issue notes therefor bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum. Such notes shall be payable within one year after date and no further issue of such notes shall be made or authorized while any former issue of such notes having matured shall remain unpaid. The proceeds of said notes shall be used to defray the expenses of the city for the current fiscal year, provided the proceeds of such notes issued in the year 1921 may be used to pay or discharge any deficit which may have occurred in the funds of said city by reason of expenditures made or obligations incurred at the time of the passage of this act or for any other reason. None of said notes shall be issued or sold at less than face value.

SEC. 2. No such notes shall be issued if such issue shall bring the total outstanding indebtedness of the city, exclusive of bonds or other evidence of indebtedness of the city placed in the sinking fund, beyond five per centum of the grand list of the city last completed by the board of assessors and board of relief.

Approved, January 12, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 1.]

[2.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT TO ISSUE REFUNDING BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Whenever the common council of the city of Bridgeport shall resolve in the manner described in section seven of an act entitled, "An Act authorizing the City of Bridgeport to issue Bonds," approved April 10, 1919, to issue bonds denominated "Refunding Bonds," said common council may provide that said bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually.

SEC. 2. Any resolution of the common council of the city of Bridgeport heretofore adopted, and providing for the issuance of refunding bonds under said act, if the bonds authorized thereby have not in fact been sold, may be amended so that the interest therein provided to be borne by said bonds shall be at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually.

Approved, January 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 50.]

[3.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE BOARD OF CONTROL FOR DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The sum of one million dollars is hereby appropriated to the board of control, to make deficiency appropriations while the general assembly of 1921 is in session and until June 30, 1921.

SEC. 2. So much of chapter 314 of the public acts of 1919 as is inconsistent herewith shall be suspended until June 30, 1921, and this act shall not be in force after June 30, 1921.

Approved, January 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 516.]

[4.]

**AN ACT VALIDATING THE MARRIAGE OF EDWARD J. GRIFFIN AND
MILDRED AGNES RYDER.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The marriage of Edward J. Griffin and Mildred Agnes Ryder, both of Hartford, on May 10, 1909, at Hartford, is validated, provided a certified copy of this act shall be filed with the registrar of vital statistics on or before July 1, 1921.

Approved, March 9, 1921.

[House Bill No. 427.]

[5.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TOWN COURT OF
EAST HARTFORD.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. Section six of an act establishing the town court of East Hartford, approved April 23, 1897, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall annually appoint a prosecuting attorney and an assistant prosecuting attorney who shall act in the absence of or at the request of the prosecuting attorney and shall have all the powers of the prosecuting attorney while acting in his stead, both of whom shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties. Within the cognizance and jurisdiction of said town court, and as may be provided and restricted by this act, said attorney shall exercise the same authority and perform the same duties as are now provided by law for state's attorneys in their several counties, and said attorney shall have the same powers and authority as are or may hereafter be conferred upon grand jurors or prosecuting agents by the general statutes. In case of the absence or inability of both the prosecuting attorney and the assistant prosecuting attorney, the judge shall appoint some suitable person to act as prosecuting attorney, who, during the continuance of such absence or inability and after being sworn to a faithful discharge of his duties, shall exercise the same power as the prosecuting attorney and shall be paid by the town the same fees now allowed to grand jurors on the order of the judge of said court, and said fees or compensation shall be deducted from the salary of the prosecuting attorney.

SEC. 2. Section nine of said act is amended to read as follows:

The judge of said court shall, upon the passage of this act, appoint some suitable person to act as clerk of said court until the first Monday of June, 1921, and shall annually thereafter appoint a clerk thereof. Said clerk shall keep the records of said court, and certify the same and copies thereof, and said clerk shall receive all fines and costs paid before commitment. All fines and costs paid after commitment to the keeper of the jail, or other place where the offender is confined, shall be paid by such keeper to the clerk. Said clerk shall also draw from the superior court all sums taxed in it for costs in said town court, in cases coming before said superior court from said town court by appeal, binding over, or otherwise, including all costs in cases before said town court, when the accused shall be discharged for want of probable cause, and the offense charged is beyond the jurisdiction of said court. All fines, costs, and other sums coming into his hands shall be paid by said clerk into the town treasury for the use thereof; and said clerk shall draw orders on the treasurer for all such costs and fees as may be taxed by said court in any criminal case and payable from the town treasury, and costs and fees shall be paid only to those persons in whose favor they may have been taxed, or on their written order. Said clerk before entering upon his duties shall be sworn to a faithful discharge thereof. In the absence of the clerk or during his inability to act, the judge or deputy judge of said court shall act as clerk.

SEC. 3. Section eleven of said act is amended to read as follows: The clerk shall account to the treasurer of said town quarterly for all moneys received by him under the provisions of this act, and shall pay said moneys at said times of accounting into the treasury of said town. Said clerk shall give a bond to the town of East Hartford, with a proper surety company as surety, in the sum of five thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his official duties.

SEC. 4. Section twelve of said act, as amended by an act approved April 3, 1917, and by an act approved April 2, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of nine hundred dollars per annum, and the deputy judge a salary of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum; but if the deputy judge shall be required to act in more than one-sixth of the cases before said court, his compensation shall be increased so as to be proportional to the number of cases tried, and such additional compensation shall be deducted from the compensation of the judge. The salary of the prosecuting attorney shall be nine hundred dollars per annum, and the salary of the assistant prosecuting attorney shall be one hundred and fifty dollars per annum; but if the assistant prosecuting attorney shall be required to act in more than one-sixth of the cases before said court, his compensation shall be increased so as to be proportional to the number of cases prosecuted, and such additional compensation shall be deducted from the compensation of the prosecuting attorney. The salary of the clerk shall be five hundred dollars per annum; but if the judge or

deputy judge shall, on account of the absence or inability of the clerk, be required to act as clerk for a longer period than three weeks in the aggregate during any calendar year, then said judge or deputy judge shall receive in addition to his regular salary the salary of the clerk for any such period in excess of said three weeks, and said compensation shall be deducted from the salary of the clerk. The salaries and compensation provided in this section shall be in lieu of all fees for the services of said officers arising from the business of said court, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town upon the order of the judge of said court.

SEC. 5. Section fifteen of said act is amended to read as follows: All process issued by said town court shall be signed by the judge, deputy judge, prosecuting attorney, or assistant prosecuting attorney. Subpoenas to procure the attendance of witnesses before said court may be signed by the judge, deputy judge, prosecuting attorney, assistant prosecuting attorney or clerk. Bonds or recognizances on the continuance of any case, or on binding over or appeal to a higher court shall be taken by the judge, deputy judge or clerk, and bonds for appearance at said court to answer may be taken by the judge, deputy judge, prosecuting attorney, assistant prosecuting attorney, or clerk, and the authority taking such bond for appearance shall note on the warrant the name of the surety, the amount of the bond and the date and hour at which the accused is to appear before said court, all of which entry shall be a part of the file of such case. Neither the judge nor the deputy judge shall be disqualified to act in any case in which money shall accrue to the town of East Hartford, by reason of his being a resident or taxpayer of said town.

Approved, March 9, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 154.]

[6.]

AN ACT AMENDING A RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE MIDDLE-TOWN BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section four of a resolution incorporating The Middletown Building and Loan Association, approved May 28, 1889, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said corporation, to be accumulated, shall not exceed three million dollars, and shall be divided into shares of the ultimate value of two hundred dollars each, which shall be issued and paid for as the directors shall determine. No one person shall be allowed to be the owner of more than twenty-fiveshares of said capital stock.

Such shares may be transferred according to such rules as may be established by said directors. At the time of subscribing for said capital stock, each person subscribing shall pay not less than one dollar on each and every share for which he may subscribe, and the remainder of each person's subscription shall be paid yearly, half-yearly, quarterly or monthly, as the directors may determine, and every shareholder, who shall fail or neglect to pay the residue of each share by him subscribed in accordance with the vote of said directors, shall by reason of such failure and neglect be subject to such forfeiture as said directors shall prescribe; provided, in the event any shareholder shall, for good reason, fail to pay the remainder of any subscription by him made, said corporation shall, on demand, within sixty days after the date of such failure, refund to such shareholder the full amount of the subscriptions by him paid, but without interest thereon.

Approved, March 9, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 164.]

[7.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE WARDEN OF THE BOROUGH OF WALLINGFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The salary of the warden of the borough of Wallingford shall not exceed six hundred dollars per annum.

Approved, March 9, 1921.

[House Bill No. 910.]

[8.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF WALLINGFORD TO ISSUE REFUNDING BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The borough of Wallingford is authorized to issue, from time to time, as it may deem necessary, bonds, under the corporate name and seal and upon the credit of said borough, payable in terms not exceeding thirty years and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, for the purpose of funding or refunding any of its indebtedness. Said borough shall not at any time incur any

bonded indebtedness which shall make a total indebtedness in excess of five per centum of its grand list at such time last completed.

SEC. 2. The bonds authorized to be issued under the provisions of the preceding section shall be prepared, signed and authenticated in such manner and form, with coupons or otherwise, as said borough, at any legal meeting called for that purpose, may determine. Such bonds may be sold from time to time under direction of the warden and burgesses of said borough at not less than par and, when issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said borough and the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same. The payment of such bonds may be enforced and the amounts due thereon collected in the same manner as any debt lawfully contracted by municipal corporations in this state.

Approved, March 9, 1921.

[House Bill No. 52.]

[9.]

**AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF THE DERBY GAS COMPANY TO THE
DERBY GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY AND AUTHORIZING
SAID COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The name of The Derby Gas Company which was incorporated May 20, 1859, under the name of The Birmingham Gas Light Company, said name having been changed to The Derby Gas Company on June 14, 1871, is changed to The Derby Gas and Electric Company.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding three million five hundred thousand dollars, provided such stock shall be paid for in cash at not less than par value thereof, and the issue of any new stock shall first be authorized by a majority vote of the holders of the outstanding capital stock of said corporation at a stockholders' meeting legally warned and held for that purpose.

Approved, March 9, 1921.

[House Bill No. 749.]

[10.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE MASONIC CHARITY FOUNDATION OF CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of a resolution approved May 1, 1907, is amended to read as follows: The objects and purposes of this corporation shall be to aid, assist or support aged, indigent, sick or infirm freemasons and the widows, wives, mothers, sisters or daughters of freemasons and members of the order of the Eastern Star, and to provide for, maintain and educate the orphans of deceased freemasons and such children of living freemasons as may not otherwise be properly cared for; and for these purposes it shall have the power to use the funds and property of the corporation, and the income therefrom under such restrictions as are herein imposed, to grant annuities, and to lease or purchase lands, and to lease, purchase or construct a suitable building or buildings thereon for a home or asylum for such persons, and to provide for the proper management and operation of the same; provided, however, that no funds of the corporation shall be expended for the purchase of any lands, or for the purchase or construction of any building to be used as a home or asylum as above provided, unless by authority of a two-thirds vote of all the members present at a meeting specially called for the purpose, of which sixty days' previous notice shall be given to each lodge of freemasons in the state.

Approved, March 9, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 163.]

[11.]

AN ACT INCREASING THE CAPITAL STOCK OF THE RIVERSIDE TRUST COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Riverside Trust Company, of Hartford, incorporated under the provisions of a resolution approved June 16, 1903, is authorized to increase its capital stock at the pleasure of the corporation to the total amount of five hundred thousand dollars.

Approved, March 9, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 318.]

[12.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE MARINERS SAVINGS BANK AT NEW LONDON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section three of a resolution incorporating The Mariners Savings Bank at New London, approved June 19, 1867, is amended to read as follows: Said corporation shall, at their annual meetings, elect any person or persons to be members thereof, in the case of any vacancy, so that the members shall not be reduced below twenty in number.

SEC. 2. Section six of said resolution is amended to read as follows: No officer or director of said corporation shall be the hirer or borrower, or the surety of any hirer or borrower, of the funds of said corporation, or any part thereof. The compensation of the president shall be fixed by the directors but shall not exceed the sum provided by the general statutes.

SEC. 3. Section seven of said resolution is amended to read as follows: This act may be altered, amended or repealed at the pleasure of the general assembly, and said corporation shall possess all the powers and be subject to the provisions of the general statutes relating to savings banks.

Approved, March 15, 1921.

[House Bill No. 508.]

[13.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BROTHERHOOD LIFE AND CASUALTY COMPANY OF HARTFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time for the organization of The Brotherhood Life and Casualty Company of Hartford and for certifying such organization is extended until the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, March 15, 1921.

[House Bill No. 216.]

[14.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TOWN COURT OF
ENFIELD.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

Section twelve of the act establishing the town court of Enfield, approved April 23, 1897, as amended by an act approved June 6, 1913, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of twelve hundred dollars per annum. The salary of the prosecuting attorney shall be twelve hundred dollars per annum. The salaries provided in this act shall be in lieu of all fees for the services of said officers, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town and upon order of the judge of said court.

Approved, March 15, 1921.

[House Bill No. 365.]

[15.]

AN ACT RELEASING THE STATE'S INTEREST IN A PORTION OF THE
BED OF THE QUINNIPIAC RIVER IN THE TOWNS OF
HAMDEN AND NORTH HAVEN.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. The state releases to the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company all its right, title and interest in and to that portion of the present bed of the Quinnipiac river in the towns of Hamden and North Haven indicated "Present Bed of River" upon a certain plan entitled "N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. New Haven Division Cedar Hill freight terminal, Plan showing boundary line between Town of Hamden and Town of North Haven 4.2 miles from mouth of river," and dated September 23, 1920, at the point where said company was authorized and directed by the public utilities commission by order dated January 14, 1921, to change the location of a portion of said river.

SEC. 2. This act shall become operative as a release when said New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company shall file a copy of said plan in the office of the town clerk of each of said towns of Hamden and North Haven, and shall release to the state, by an instrument approved by the attorney-general, all its right, title and interest in and to the proposed new bed of said river as shown upon said plan.

Approved, March 15, 1921.

[House Bill No. 305.]

[16.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONCERNING A BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF MILFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section four of an act incorporating a board of fire commissioners for the town of Milford, approved May 1, 1917, as amended by an act approved May 8, 1919, is amended to read as follows: Said board of fire commissioners shall have exclusive jurisdiction of the hydrants used for fire purposes and the location of the same and may make suitable ordinances for their protection and care. It shall have exclusive jurisdiction of all electrical wiring and electrical apparatus and appliances for furnishing light, heat or power in any building in said town of Milford, and may make suitable ordinances for the proper and safe installation and maintenance of such electrical wiring and electrical apparatus and for the inspection thereof, and may appoint one or more persons to make such inspections. It shall have power to license, regulate or prohibit the manufacture, keeping, sale or use of fireworks, torpedoes, firecrackers, gunpowder, petroleum, gasoline or any other explosive or inflammable substance or the conveyance thereof in or through any portion of said town.

SEC. 2. Section five of an act concerning a board of fire commissioners for the town of Milford, approved May 1, 1917, is amended to read as follows: Before passing any regulation or ordinance concerning the matters mentioned in section four of this act as amended, said board shall give to the citizens of said town a reasonable opportunity to be heard in reference thereto at a meeting of said board, notice of which meeting shall be given by publishing such proposed rules, regulations and ordinances and stating a time and place of hearing thereon in some newspaper published or circulating in said town, at least five days before the time of such meeting. Such meeting may be adjourned from time to time.

SEC. 3. Section six of an act concerning a board of fire commissioners for the town of Milford, approved May 1, 1917, is amended to read as follows: Every person who shall violate any rule, regulation or ordinance made by said board under the provisions of this act as amended, or shall hinder or obstruct any inspector appointed by said board in the performance of his duties, shall be fined not more than fifty dollars.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[House Bill No. 100.]

[17.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE ASHLAND COTTON COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Ashland Cotton Company, incorporated under the provisions of a resolution approved June 10, 1863, is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding two million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to be divided into shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[House Bill No. 25.]

[18.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE GREENWICH TRUST COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Greenwich Trust Company of Greenwich is authorized to increase the membership of its board of trustees to not more than twenty-five.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 252.]

[19.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORWICH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of the charter of the Central Baptist Church of Norwich, approved April 10, 1889, is amended to read as follows: The present members of the Central Baptist Church of Norwich and all others who shall hereafter become members are hereby constituted and created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Central Baptist Church of Norwich, and by said name they and their successors shall be known

and called, and shall have perpetual succession, with power to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded in all suits whatever, either at law or in equity, and to purchase, receive, hold, use, mortgage and convey any and all estate, both real and personal, necessary or convenient for the purposes of the corporation.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 377.]

[20.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE BOROUGH OF GREENWICH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

An act amending an act establishing the borough court of Greenwich, approved May 10, 1917, as amended by an act approved March 14, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of twenty-eight hundred dollars per annum; the deputy judge shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per annum; the prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum; and the assistant prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per annum, and should he be employed in any year for a greater number of days than would, at the rate of compensation received by the prosecuting attorney, amount to more than five hundred dollars, he shall be paid by said town at the same rate for each day so employed, which additional sum shall be deducted from the salary of the prosecuting attorney. The clerk of said court shall receive a salary of one thousand dollars per annum. The salaries and compensation provided for in this act shall be in lieu of fees for the services of said officers arising from their proceedings in said court, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town upon the order of the clerk of said court.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 503.]

[21.]

AN ACT CONCERNING TRUSTEES OF THE WILLIAMS MEMORIAL INSTITUTE

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The president of the board of school visitors of the city of New

London, during his term of office, shall be, ex officio, a trustee of the Williams Memorial Institute, having the same authority as other trustees except to participate in the election of a new trustee, which authority shall vest exclusively in the successors of the original trustees.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 8.]

[22.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CHARTER OF WEST HARTFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The charter adopted by the town of West Hartford, November 2, 1920, is validated, and said town may exercise the authority conferred under the provisions of said charter and of chapter twenty-four of the general statutes.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 199.]

[23.]

AN ACT CHANGING THE CORPORATE NAME OF THE CHURCH IN THE FIRST ECCLESIASTICAL SOCIETY OF MIDDLETOWN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The name of The Church in the First Ecclesiastical Society in Middletown, which corporation was created by an act approved May, 1818, shall be The First Church of Christ.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[House Bill No. 121.]

[24.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NORWICH CONCERNING THE HOURS OF VOTING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. At all annual or special city meetings of the city of

Norwich held for the choice of any city officers required by law to be chosen at such meeting or any special election in said city, the polls shall be opened at the places designated and appointed for the purpose in each voting district at five-thirty o'clock in the morning and continued open until five o'clock in the afternoon when they shall be closed.

SEC. 2. So much of the charter of the city of Norwich as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act is repealed.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[House Bill No. 166.]

[25.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF FINANCE FOR
THE TOWN OF STRATFORD, INCREASING THE DUTIES OF THE
SELECTMEN AND PROVIDING FOR ELECTIONS
BY DIRECT PRIMARIES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. Section thirteen of an act creating a board of finance for the town of Stratford, increasing the powers of selectmen and providing for elections by direct primaries, approved June 3, 1913, is amended to read as follows: The board of selectmen of the town of Stratford may designate and establish building lines on the land of proprietors adjoining any highway within said town between any of which lines and said highway no building, part of a building or appurtenance thereof shall be erected, and may alter building lines so established. Said board shall have power to compel the removal or relocation of any building or part of building hereafter erected which shall project beyond a building line established in or toward the highway or street.

SEC. 2. Section fourteen of said act is amended to read as follows: Before the board of selectmen shall order the construction or repair of any sidewalk, curb or gutter or the establishment or alteration of any building line or before the board of sewer commissioners shall construct any sewer or sewage disposal plant said boards respectively shall hold a public hearing thereon after giving notice thereof by causing a copy of the proposed order or outline of the sewage plan, as the case may be, with notice of the time and place of hearing thereon, to be filed in the town clerk's office in said town and published at least five days before the date of hearing twice in a newspaper published or having a circulation in said town. Upon the petition of at least ten per centum of the owners of property on any street in said town requesting the board of selectment to establish or alter building lines, sidewalks or curbs in such street or upon a like petition requesting the board of sewer commis-

sioners to establish new or alter old sewers therein, said boards respectively shall hold a public hearing thereon after giving notice to the public and to property owners as hereinbefore provided. The board of finance may issue the notes of said town to pay the cost of construction of any sewer or sewage disposal plant constructed by said town. Such notes of indebtedness shall be signed by the first selectman and three members of the board of finance and countersigned by the clerk of said board and the treasurer of said town.

SEC. 3. Section fifteen of said act is amended to read as follows: If, after such public hearing, the selectmen shall determine to order the construction or repair of any sidewalk, curb or gutter, they shall, by mail, notify the owner or owners in front of whose land such sidewalks or curbs are to be constructed or repaired, of their order made on the premises and such notice shall limit a reasonable time for compliance therewith, and thereafter shall proceed in the manner prescribed in section twelve of said act. If, after such public hearing, the selectmen shall determine to establish or alter any building line or the grade of any street, they shall appraise all damages resulting therefrom to the person or persons entitled to such damages and shall assess benefits therefor upon the person or persons whose land is especially benefited thereby. Before making any such appraisal of benefits and damages the selectmen shall give reasonable notice to all persons interested of the time and place when and where they will meet for that purpose. Such notice shall be either written or printed and signed in writing or printing, by a majority of the selectmen and shall be personally served or left by any person at the usual place of abode of each person owning or having an interest in the land to be taken or specially benefited or damaged by such improvement, provided, in lieu of such notice, the selectmen may give notice to any person or persons affected by such improvement by depositing a copy of such notice, in the postoffice at Stratford addressed to such person at his last known place of abode, postage prepaid, at least six days before the date set for such hearing. Any judge of the superior court or of the court of common pleas or of the town court of Stratford may, by his order, direct in what manner such notice shall be given to such persons affected as aforesaid who reside without the town; notice given pursuant to such order of notice shall be a reasonable and sufficient notice to such persons. Said selectmen shall meet at the time and place designated in such notice and at such other times as they may adjourn to therefrom, and shall hear all the parties in interest who may appear before them. They shall ascertain and determine what person or persons will be damaged by such taking of land or such public improvement and the amount thereof over and above any special benefits such person or persons may receive; also what other person or persons will be specially benefited by such taking of land or public improvement as aforesaid and the amount thereof over and above any damages such person or persons may receive therefrom. Within thirty days after the

selectmen shall have completed any such appraisal of benefits or damages, or both, they shall cause notice thereof to be sent to each person affected thereby, by mail addressed to the last known place of abode of such person.

SEC. 4. Section eighteen of said act is amended to read as follows: Said board of sewer commissioners, after public hearing as aforesaid, is authorized to cause to be prepared, and to adopt a plan for the disposal of sewage in said town, and to lay out, build, construct, maintain and repair sewers and sewage disposal plants and a sewage system and all necessary appurtenances thereof, through and along the streets and highways and in public and private grounds, in said town, and to assess and cause to be collected the expense or such part thereof as said board shall deem reasonable, upon the property abutting upon such streets and highways through which such sewers are laid, or upon any property which may be in any way benefited or improved thereby, subject to the same notice and manner of assessment and appeal therefrom, as is provided in sections fifteen, sixteen and seventeen of this act. The payment of any such assessments may, in said board's discretion, be extended over a period not exceeding five years. Said board of sewer commissioners shall have such further power as may be necessary to make plans and contracts for, and to construct, superintend, operate and maintain such sewers and sewage disposal plant as they may authorize. If the construction of any sewer system or sewage disposal plant is determined upon by said board of sewer commissioners, and they cannot agree with the owner or owners as to the price of any land or easement in any land in said town deemed needful by said board for such purpose, said town may acquire by eminent domain any such lands or easements so deemed needful by said board of sewer commissioners, in the manner provided by the general statutes.

SEC. 5. Section nineteen of said act is amended to read as follows: No person shall construct any drain or sewer upon or from any premises in said town or use or permit any sewer or drain to be used without a permit from the board of sewer commissioners; and any person constructing such sewer or drain or using or permitting the same to be used without such permit shall pay to said town a fine of seven dollars for such construction and a fine of five dollars for each day that such drain or sewer is used or permitted to be used without such permit after due notice has been given to discontinue such use or permission.

SEC. 6. Section twenty of said act is amended to read as follows: All assessments of benefits made under this act and the amendments thereof shall be a lien upon the property specially benefited thereby and the whole amount of assessments for benefits by reason of any such work or improvements shall in no case exceed the cost thereof, including damages payable; and such lien and liens for the expense of laying or repairing any sidewalk, curb or gutter by said town or for cleaning any sidewalk or for sprinkling any street shall take precedence of all other

liens and encumbrances on the property whereon the same are imposed and may be foreclosed in the same manner as though such liens were mortgages on said property in favor of said town to secure the amount of such assessments or expenses; provided no lien shall continue to exist for more than sixty days after such assessment shall become payable or such expense shall have been incurred, as the case may be, unless within said period a certificate describing the premises, the amount of assessment or expense and the purpose for which the assessment was made or expense incurred shall be signed by the selectmen or board of sewer commissioners, as the case may be, and lodged with the town clerk, to be by him recorded in a book kept for that purpose and after the filing of such certificate such lien shall continue until the amount thereof, with interest, record fees and a fee of one dollar for drafting the certificate, shall be paid to said town.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 168.]

[26.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TOWN COURT OF STRATFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section sixteen of an act establishing the town court of Stratford, approved April 28, 1915, as amended by an act approved March 1, 1917, and by an act approved April 15, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of eight hundred dollars per annum, the deputy judge a salary of three hundred dollars per annum, and the prosecuting attorney a salary of eight hundred dollars per annum. The salaries provided for in this act shall be paid in lieu of fees for services of said officers, except as hereinafter provided, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town on order of the judge of said court.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[House Bill No. 243.]

[27.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TOWN COURT OF
NEW MILFORD.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. Section twelve of an act establishing the town court of New Milford, approved March 15, 1901, as amended by acts approved March 21, 1917, and March 27, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of two hundred and fifty dollars per annum; the salary of the prosecuting attorney shall be the same as that of the judge.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1921.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[House Bill No. 316.]

[28.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. An act amending the charter of the city of Hartford concerning the board of contract and supply, approved July 18, 1905, is amended to read as follows: It shall be the duty of said board, after public notice, and in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by ordinance of the court of common council, to let to the lowest bidders who shall give adequate security for the performance of their several contracts, all contracts for the performance of any work or the supplying of any materials, or both, for the use of any department of the city, except the water and park departments, in all cases where such work and materials will cost a sum exceeding one thousand dollars, unless, by a resolution passed by a two-thirds vote of the court of common council, it shall be determined in a special instance or instances to be impracticable to procure such work or materials by contract, or unless emergency requires the appropriate department of the city to secure, forthwith, the repair of property in its charge or materials for such repair or the use of such department. Said board, in the performance of its duties, shall have power to reject any and all bids.

SEC. 2. Section five of an act amending the charter of the city of Hartford concerning public improvements, approved June 7, 1913, is amended to read as follows: The court of common council of the city of Hartford is hereby authorized to appropriate at its discretion,

from time to time, sums of money for the purpose of defraying the expenses of public celebrations and receptions within said city, said sums of money so appropriated not to exceed the amount of three thousand dollars for any one public celebration or reception.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[House Bill No. 313.]

[29.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
CONCERNING PUBLIC RECORDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

It shall be a sufficient attestation of the land records in the care or custody of the town clerk of the town of Hartford when each volume of such land records bears a certificate of attestation with the written signature of the officer charged with the care of such records and authorized by law to record or file the same, provided nothing herein contained shall relieve the town clerk or his assistant from attesting with his written signature the discharge of a mortgage, lien or other encumbrance on the margin of the record of such mortgage, lien or other encumbrance.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[House Bill No. 440.]

[30.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NORWICH
CONCERNING ORDINANCES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. No ordinance passed by the court of common council of the city of Norwich shall take effect and be enforced until the same has been published at least twice before its passage in one of the daily newspapers published in said city and twice in one of said newspapers after its passage and until a period of five days after its passage shall have elapsed; and if, before its passage, a remonstrance thereto, signed by fifty taxpayers of said city, shall be filed with the clerk of said council, the same shall not take effect until approved by a majority vote in city meeting, duly called for that purpose.

SEC. 2. The certificate of the city clerk, upon the records of the court of common council, that such ordinance has been so published, shall be prima facie evidence of the fact in any suit or proceeding; and upon such publication and certificate being made, such ordinance shall be in full force and effect as an ordinance of said city.

SEC. 3. All provisions of the charter of the city of Norwich inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 196.]

[31.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section five of an act amending the charter of the city of Hartford creating a department of finance, approved April 5, 1905, as amended by section one of an act concerning the equalization of school district taxes within the city of Hartford, approved April 3, 1913, is amended to read as follows: Whenever it may become necessary for said city to borrow money, either upon its notes or by the issuance of bonds, or to refund any of its existing indebtedness, the court of common council shall not act thereon finally except after investigation, recommendation and report of said board of finance. Said board of finance shall, annually during a month to be fixed by ordinance of said city, make estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for the expenses of said city for the fiscal year ensuing as fixed by ordinance, and of the rate of taxation required to meet the same, and shall classify said expenses under appropriate heads and departments. At all such meetings the mayor shall preside and in his absence such person as said board shall select. In the preparation of said estimates, said board shall give notice to each board and department and to the chairman of each school district committee of a definite time when and place where it will meet to consider the needs of such board, department or school district; and said board of finance shall recommend such tax upon the polls and ratable estates within the limits of said city as it shall deem necessary to meet such expenses. Said estimates and the rate of taxation recommended shall be submitted to the court of common council at its first regular meeting in the month next succeeding the month prescribed by ordinance for the preparation of said estimates, and during said month said court of common council shall consider and act upon said estimates; the court of common council of said city for the fiscal

year ensuing shall not make any appropriations or authorize the expenditure of any sum in excess of the estimates made as aforesaid, except upon a two-thirds vote of said court of common council, nor shall any of the departments of said city expend any sum in excess of said estimates unless the same be authorized by a two-thirds vote of said court of common council.

Approved, March 16, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 195.]

[32.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD CONCERNING THE PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of an act amending the charter of the city of Hartford, approved May 23, 1860, is amended to read as follows: No ordinance passed by the court of common council shall take effect until ten days from the passage of said ordinance, nor until it has been published once in two daily newspapers issued within the city of Hartford, and the clerk of said city shall cause every ordinance passed by said court of common council to be published without unreasonable delay, and a certificate of the city clerk upon the record of such ordinance that the same has been so published shall be *prima facie* evidence thereof in any suit or proceeding.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 657.]

[33.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF THE JUDGE AND PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OF THE TOWN COURT OF BERLIN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section sixteen of an act approved May 29, 1903, establishing the town court of Berlin, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per annum. The deputy judge shall receive for each day that he is actually holding court, three dollars, to be paid by the town of Berlin, but the amount so paid shall be deducted by the town treasurer from

the salary of the judge. The salary of the prosecuting attorney shall be five hundred dollars per annum. The salaries provided for in this section shall be paid in lieu of all fees whatsoever for the services of said officers, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town on order of the judge of said court.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1921.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 345.]

[34.]

AN ACT MAKING OPERATIVE AND VALIDATING A CHARTER AMENDMENT OF THE TERRYVILLE WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The corporate acts performed by The Terryville Water Company under authority of an act entitled "An Act amending the Charter of The Terryville Water Company," approved April 13, 1917, are validated and said amendment is made a part of the charter of said corporation, in all respects the same as if said amendment had been formally accepted by said corporation in accordance with the provisions of section 3500 of the general statutes.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 506.]

[35.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE TERRYVILLE GAS COMPANY MAY ORGANIZE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time within which The Terryville Gas Company, incorporated by an act approved August 30, 1911, may organize and may certify such organization is extended until the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 507.]

[36.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TERRYVILLE WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The charter of The Terryville Water Company, approved May 25, 1893, is amended by striking out in section one, line four, the words "village of Terryville" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "town of Plymouth;" by striking out in section seven, line five, the words "and village of Terryville;" by striking out in section thirteen, line two, the words "village of Terryville" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "town of Plymouth" and by striking out in section fifteen, line three, the word "one-half" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "three fourths" and by striking out in line seven of said section fifteen the word "six" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "seven."

Sec. 2. Said company is authorized to increase its capital stock to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred thousand dollars, said stock to be issued at not less than par and to be paid for in cash or its equivalent in property.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 740.]

[37.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO GEORGE I. CLARK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by George I. Clark of Wallingford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 301.]

[38.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE JUDGE OF THE CITY COURT OF MIDDLETOWN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The salary of the judge of the city court of the city and town of

Middletown shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum, commencing on the first Monday of April, 1921.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 4.]

[39.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO EDWARD A. CONKLIN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Edward A. Conklin of Meriden by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 125.]

[40.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO FRED BRADLEY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Fred Bradley of Brooklyn by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 46.]

[41.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO EDWARD L. CARRINGTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Edward L. Carrington of Bristol by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 12.]

[42.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE PECK, STOW AND WILCOX COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Peck, Stow and Wilcox Company, a corporation created by resolution approved March 4, 1880, is authorized to increase its capital stock from the present amount of one million five hundred dollars to an amount or amounts not exceeding in the aggregate four million dollars, and each increase of said capital, as authorized, shall consist of shares of the par value of twenty-five dollars each. Such share shall be issued upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the directors, but no such stock shall be issued until the same shall have been paid for in cash, or in property of an actual cash value equal to the par value of the stock so issued, or in the surplus earnings of said corporation, and no stock shall be issued at less than par.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 499.]

[43.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE FAIRFIELD MEMORIAL LIBRARY COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Fairfield Memorial Library Company is hereby authorized to elect a board of directors to consist of such number of members as it may deem to be wise and for its best interests.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 649.]

[44.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE BOROUGH OF NAUGATUCK CONCERNING THE BOROUGH COURT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section six of an act establishing the borough court of Naugatuck, approved April 15, 1895, is amended to read as follows: The borough court shall have jurisdiction of all civil cases either at law

or in equity wherein the matter in demand does not exceed three hundred dollars, provided the parties or either of them reside within the limits of the borough of Naugatuck, and shall have authority to hear and try the same with or without a jury as may be proper and proceed therein to final judgment and execution, according to law. Any civil action in which the matter in demand exceeds one hundred dollars, pending before the borough court of Naugatuck, shall, before trial, upon written motion of any party to such action, be transferred to the next return day or the next return day but one of the district court of Waterbury, by certificate of the clerk indorsed on the file in such action, stating the name of the person moving for such transfer and the return day to which the suit is transferred, and said clerk of the borough court shall thereupon deliver to the clerk of the district court such file and all papers, pleadings, and exhibits in his custody relating to such cause. Upon such transfer the only taxable costs in the borough court shall be an entry fee of fifty cents, which shall be paid by the plaintiff. The entry fee of such case in the district court shall be paid by the plaintiff. From all final judgments or decrees rendered or passed by said court, except upon the verdict of the jury, and except judgment in cases of summary process, any party may appeal to the district court of Waterbury, to the next return day, or the next return day but one, upon his becoming bound with sufficient surety to the adverse party in such sum as said borough court shall order, conditioned to prosecute such appeal to effect. Upon the allowance of such appeal, the clerk of said borough court shall make a true and attested copy of the record in such cause for the party appealing and shall be entitled to such fees therefor as are allowed by law for copies to the clerks of the superior court. All civil actions, except bastardy proceedings, within the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in the borough of Naugatuck shall be brought to the borough court of Naugatuck. Any action pending before a justice of peace in said Naugatuck at the time this act takes effect, shall, before trial, upon written motion of any party to such action, be transferred to the next return day or the next return day but one, of said borough court by certificate of the justice before whom such action was made returnable, indorsed on the file of such action, stating the name of the person moving for such transfer, and the return day to which said action is transferred, and such justice shall thereupon deliver to the clerk of said court such file and all papers, pleadings and exhibits in his custody relating to such cause.

SEC. 2. Section one of an act concerning the salaries of officials of the borough court of Naugatuck, approved April 10, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The judge of the borough court of Naugatuck shall receive a salary of twelve hundred fifty dollars per annum. The deputy judge shall receive a salary of three hundred dollars per annum. The prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of eleven hundred dollars per annum. The clerk shall receive a salary

of twelve hundred fifty dollars per annum. The salaries and compensations provided for in this section shall be in lieu of all fees for the service of said officers in said borough court, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said borough upon the order of the judge of said court, countersigned by the clerk thereof.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1921.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 190.]

[45.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING PINE MEADOW CEMETERY
ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The organization in the town of New Hartford, known as Pine Meadow Cemetery Association, is established a body corporate and politic by the name of Pine Meadow Cemetery Association, consisting of Harry M. Smith, Hermon M. Chapin, Frank M. Chapin, John C. Smith, Edward H. Betts, Eliza M. Kellogg, Julia E. Drake, Henry C. Messenger and all others who are members in or owners of shares in said Pine Meadow Cemetery Association as it has heretofore existed and all other persons whom the foregoing may associate with them.

SEC. 2. The purposes of said corporation shall be to take, enlarge, improve, beautify and manage the burial grounds known as Pine Grove Cemetery; to care for the grounds and burial lots of individuals in said cemetery or any other cemeteries in said Pine Meadow, and to contract for perpetual care of such lots; to take, hold and own all real estate and personal property now held or to be owned by the organization heretofore known as Pine Meadow Cemetery Association, and to assume any contractual or other obligations of said organization; to receive or hold, sell, lease or convey any real or personal estate for the purposes of the corporation; to do any of the above acts also with respect to the cemetery on Main street in said Pine Meadow.

SEC. 3. Meetings of the corporation shall be held at such times and places and called in such manner as the by-laws may provide and the by-laws now in force shall remain in force until altered or repealed. A majority vote of those present at any regularly called meeting shall be necessary for the passage of any vote or the amendment of any by-law.

SEC. 4. Whenever said Pine Meadow Cemetery Association, at a meeting called for that purpose, shall have accepted this charter and shall have lodged a copy of a vote of its acceptance in the office of the secretary of the state, said corporation may manage and conduct its business and affairs under the provisions herein in all respects as if said

corporation had been originally organized under this charter, and said corporation is hereby vested with and confirmed in the title to all real and personal estate, rights, property, effects and interests now belonging to it.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 9.]

[46.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A TABLET IN THE CAPITOL
COMMEMORATIVE OF THE LANDING
OF THE PILGRIMS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Connecticut Society of Mayflower Descendants may place upon the walls within the capitol a tablet commemorative of the landing of the pilgrims, provided the commission of sculpture shall approve the form and design of such tablet and its location.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 186.]

[47.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT DIVIDING THE TOWN OF
HAMDEN INTO VOTING DISTRICTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section three of an act dividing the town of Hamden into voting districts, approved May 14, 1907, is amended to read as follows: The selectmen shall provide a suitable and convenient place for voting and the necessary ballot boxes for the use of the voters in each of said districts at said electors' and annual town meetings and the warnings of such meetings shall specify the particular place of voting in each of said districts, which place in the case of the second district shall be further north than North street.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 191.]

[48.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITIES OF ANSONIA AND DERBY
TO CONTRACT JOINTLY FOR THE DISPOSAL
OF SEWAGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The cities of Ansonia and Derby, acting by the mayors of said cities and subject to the approval of the boards of aldermen of said cities, may contract with each other for the construction of sewers and the disposal of sewage in sections of said cities adjacent to each other.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 192.]

[49.]

AN ACT AMENDING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY
OF NORWICH TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR
AND TO PAY THE SALARY OF THE
MILK INSPECTOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

A resolution authorizing the city of Norwich to make an appropriation for and to pay the salary of the milk inspector, approved June 1, 1909, is amended to read as follows: The city of Norwich is authorized to make such appropriation as may be necessary for the payment of the salary of the milk inspector appointed by the common council of said city, at the rate of fifty dollars per month from the date of the approval hereof; and the common council of the city of Norwich is authorized to pay to said milk inspector said salary from said date, the same to be in full compensation for his services, auto hire and expenses.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 272.]

[50.]

AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN PUBLIC LANDS IN THE
CITY OF BRIDGEPORT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All the right, title and interest of the state in and to the public lands and public beaches within the town of Bridgeport,

lying between the property formerly of P. S. Pearsall and Ash Creek and the waters of Long Island sound, is hereby granted, ceded and relinquished to the city of Bridgeport to be held, improved and enjoyed as a public park.

SEC. 2. The land and rights herein conveyed shall be under the jurisdiction of the board of park commissioners of the city of Bridgeport in the same manner as all other lands and property held as public parks by the city of Bridgeport.

SEC. 3. Whenever the board of park commissioners of the city of Bridgeport shall agree with the owners of the property adjoining said public land and public beaches relative to any disputed boundary line between them, said board of park commissioners may, by their agreement, settle such dispute and establish such boundary lines, and for and in the name of the city of Bridgeport, make and deliver such deeds of conveyance as may be necessary to carry into effect such agreement for the location and establishment of said boundary lines.

Approved, March 24, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 194.]

[51.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
CONCERNING VACANCIES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The provision of the charter of the city of Hartford concerning the filling of vacancies in any town or city office, approved June 24, 1859, as amended by section two of an act amending the charter of the city of Hartford, approved April 29, 1897, is amended to read as follows: The court of common council of the city of Hartford is hereby authorized to provide by ordinance or otherwise for the filling of vacancies in any office that may become vacant by a failure to qualify, or resignation, or death of the incumbent of any town or city office, or may exist in consequence of a tie-vote at any city election, for the unexpired term of such office; except that any such vacancy which shall occur in the office of alderman of the city of Hartford shall be filled by the court of common council by choice of an elector residing in the same ward and from the same political party from which the former incumbent was elected, and the person so chosen shall hold office until the next annual city election and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. At the time of the next annual city election following the occurrence of such vacancy the voters of the ward in which the vacancy shall have occurred shall choose from their number, by a plurality vote, a successor to fill the vacancy in such office for the

remainder of the unexpired term, and it shall be lawful at such election to insert upon the ballot beneath the title of the office to be filled the words "to fill a vacancy."

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 920.]

[52.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE BOARD
OF RELIEF OF THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA MAY
COMPLETE ITS DUTIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time within which the board of relief of the town of Columbia may complete its duties is extended to the twentieth day of March, 1921, and the time within which any person claiming to be aggrieved by the action of the board of relief of said town may appeal is extended two months from said date.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 752.]

[53.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE WOMAN'S
SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY OF
CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The resolution amending the charter of the Woman's Seamen's Friend Society of Connecticut, approved April 24, 1917, is amended to read as follows: The corporation heretofore chartered by resolution approved May 30, 1860, and therein named The Ladies' Seamen's Friend Society of the city of New Haven, shall be known by the name of The Woman's Seamen's Friend Society of Connecticut, and under said name may exist for its original purpose, and for the purpose of aiding seamen and their families who may come into or depart from any port, and of endeavoring to benefit the temporal and spiritual interests of such seamen and their families, for the purpose of using the property and funds of the society, not legally appropriated to other work, for the aid of convalescent children on land or on water; for educational, social, humanitarian or religious work among persons not seamen, and for the purpose of giving property or funds, or both, not legally appropriated to other work, to educational, humanitarian, phil-

anthropic or religious organizations in the state of Connecticut who, in the judgment of this society, may need such funds, and for such purposes shall be capable in law to purchase and receive all kinds of property, real and personal, and to sell and dispose of the same at pleasure; but all grants, gifts, legacies, bequests and contracts, heretofore or hereafter made, to, by or with said corporation by name of The Ladies' Seamen's Friend Society of the city of New Haven shall nevertheless be effectual and valid.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 449.]

[54.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF
EAST LYME TO SELL THE SCHOOLHOUSE
IN FLANDERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The selectmen of the town of East Lyme are authorized to sell the old schoolhouse property at Flanders in said town.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 425.]

[55.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE AMERICAN
INDUSTRIAL BANK AND TRUST
COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The name of The American Industrial Bank and Trust Company, incorporated under the name of The Industrial Bank and Trust Company under the provisions of a resolution approved August 8, 1911, is changed to The American Industrial Company.

SEC. 2. Said corporation may exercise any power and do any act pertaining to the liquidation of its business as a bank and trust company and perform any contract or undertaking made or assumed in connection therewith, but shall not otherwise exercise the powers of a depository, fiduciary, registrar or transfer agent, or any other powers of a bank or of a trust company.

SEC. 3. Said corporation shall have power to hold, manage, improve, repair, rent, lease, sell, mortgage, convey and otherwise use

and dispose of the lands and buildings thereon located at numbers 979 to 989 Main street in the city of Hartford, Connecticut, and now held and owned by it, and to execute deeds, mortgages and leases and enter into contracts and exercise the authority incidental to the ownership of said real estate.

SEC. 4. Sections two, three and four of said resolution approved August 8, 1911, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This act shall become operative as an amendment to the charter of said corporation upon its acceptance within six months of its approval by vote of two-thirds of the sharers of its capital stock present and voting at a meeting of stockholders duly warned and held for that purpose and the filing of an attested copy of such acceptance in the office of the secretary of the state. In the event that the stockholders of said corporation fail to hold such meeting and accept the provisions of this amendment within six months from its approval, the corporate existence of said corporation shall terminate.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 98.]

[56.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
GEORGE ROGER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by George Roger of North Canaan by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 739.]

[57.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
WILLIAM ECCLESTONE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by William Ecclestone of Stonington by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 6.]

[58.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COLLINS COMPANY TO INCREASE
ITS CAPITAL STOCK.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The Collins Company, a corporation organized under the provisions of a resolution approved May 30, 1886, is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding five million dollars and shall pay a tax on such increase in excess of one million dollars as provided in section 3506 of the general statutes as amended by chapter 141 of the public acts of 1919.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 335.]

[59.]

**AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS OF
SAMUEL S. GREENBERG.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

All rights forfeited by Samuel S. Greenberg of Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 334.]

[60.]

**AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS OF
WILLIAM E. OLIVER.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

All rights forfeited by William E. Oliver of East Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 54.]

[61.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE YALE AND TOWNE
MANUFACTURING COMPANY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section four of a resolution incorporating The Yale Lock Manufacturing Company, approved February 22, 1882, as amended by a resolution approved April 19, 1882, as amended by a resolution changing the name to The Yale and Towne Manufacturing Company, approved March 14, 1883, as amended by a resolution approved April 18, 1907, as amended by an act approved April 8, 1913, as amended by an act approved April 2, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The authorized capital stock of said corporation shall be twenty-five million dollars, divided into two hundred and fifty thousand shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each; and it is authorized to increase its outstanding capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate said sum of twenty-five million dollars; but no certificate of such new stock in excess of its present issue of five million dollars shall be issued until the same shall have been paid for in cash or its equivalent, or in property of an actual cash value equal to the par value of the stock so issued, or in the surplus earnings of said corporation; and no such stock shall be issued at less than par. Said corporation by a two-thirds vote of all the outstanding stock at a meeting duly called to consider the question, may change the number and par value of its shares by quadrupling the number thereof and reducing the par value of each share to twenty-five dollars, so that the aggregate par value of its stock shall not thereby be changed, and in case of such action, shall call in and cancel its outstanding stock certificates and issue in exchange therefor certificates for four times as many shares of the new par value as the surrendered and cancelled certificates shall have represented of the former shares; provided that no such change of number and par value of shares shall be effective until a certificate setting forth such action and that the same has been duly adopted by the shareholders, shall be made by a majority of the directors and filed in the office of the secretary of the state. No subscriber to stock hereafter to be issued shall be entitled to vote or to receive dividends on said new stock until the same shall have been fully paid for, but the corporation may, by the vote authorizing such issue of new stock, authorize the payment of interest on the installments of partially paid subscriptions.

Approved, March 29, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 658.]

[62.]

AN ACT AMENDING A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SALARIES
OF THE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY AND POLICE
COURT OF MERIDEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of a resolution concerning salaries of the officials of the city and police court of Meriden, approved May 11, 1899, is amended to read as follows: The judge of the city and police court of Meriden shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars per annum, payable in monthly installments.

SEC. 2. Section two of said resolution is amended to read as follows: The city attorney of said Meriden shall receive a salary of two thousand dollars per annum, payable in monthly installments, in lieu of all other compensation for his services as city attorney.

SEC. 3. Section three of said resolution is amended to read as follows: The deputy judge of the city and police court shall receive a salary of six hundred dollars per annum, payable in monthly installments.

SEC. 4. The clerk of the police court shall receive a salary of eighteen hundred dollars, payable in monthly installments, and such salary shall be in lieu of all fees for criminal proceedings; and as clerk of said city court, he shall be entitled to the same fees as clerks of the superior courts.

SEC. 5. The assistant city attorney of said city of Meriden shall receive a salary of six hundred dollars per annum, payable in monthly installments, in lieu of all other compensation for his services as assistant city attorney.

Approval, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 330.]

[63.]

AN ACT REIMBURSING HENRY LEFFERT FOR MONEY PAID
BY MISTAKE TO THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR
FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of three hundred dollars in favor of Henry Leffert, to reimburse said Leffert for the amount of a bail bond paid to the

state's attorney for Fairfield county March 27, 1920, in the case of the state versus Charles Klinck, said bond having been called by the superior court for Fairfield county without knowledge of the fact that said Klinck was at that time deceased.

Approval, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 625.]

[64.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF
NORWICH TO ISSUE BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

An act authorizing the city of Norwich to issue bonds, approved April 13, 1921, is amended to read as follows: The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of the bonds issued for water, gas and electric supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approval, April 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 162.]

[65.]

**AN ACT INCORPORATING THE THIRD OR BANTAM VOTING
DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF LITCHFIELD.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There shall be established in the town of Litchfield the third or Bantam voting district for the purpose of voting for all town, state and national officials and measures required to be voted upon by ballot at electors' and annual town meetings. The division lines of said district shall be as follows: Beginning at a point on Bantam lake and the eastern boundary line of the Berkshire Ice Company's property, and running along the eastern boundary line of the present property of the Berkshire Ice Company in a northly direction to Tryon brook, to a point where the Shepaug railroad crossed the brook, then in a straight northwesterly direction to the intersection of Maple street and the first crossroads on Brush hill, then continuing northerly on Maple street in the center of the highway to the intersection of the Brush hill road, then continuing in a westerly direction along the Brush hill road and what is known as the Dugway road in the center of the highway, to the Warren town line, and including all of the voters in the town of Litchfield west and south of the above-described lines, and the town

lines of the towns of Warren, Washington and Morris, to a point south of the point of beginning, thence in a straight line to the point of beginning.

SEC. 2. The selectmen of said town shall provide a suitable and convenient place for voting in the third or Bantam voting district in the borough of Bantam and the necessary ballot boxes for the use of the voters in said district at any electors' or town meeting and the warning of any such meeting shall specify the place of voting in each of the several districts in said town. Immediately after the ballot boxes are closed at any such meeting, the ballots cast in the third or Bantam voting district shall be counted and a true certificate of all ballots given in said district for the respective officers voted for shall be transmitted with the ballots received and the boxes containing such ballots, with a list of voters as checked, to the moderator of the first district, who, having ascertained the results as indicated by the ballots cast for the entire town as given in the several districts, shall declare the same in open meeting in said district and shall make the return required by the provisions of the general statutes.

SEC. 3. The registrars of the first voting district shall prepare a list of the legally qualified voters in the third or Bantam district and shall appoint all election officials for the town election to be held in October, 1921. The registrars for said district shall be elected at the regular town elections and shall perform all duties pertaining to registration. At all town, state and national elections, except the annual town meeting held in October, 1921, the registrars of said voting district shall prepare a list of the legally qualified voters of said district at the time of completion of the last revised registry list of the district and shall place on such lists under the title "to be made," the names of electors who have resided continuously in said district for a period of six months prior to the date of such election. Said registrars shall make a completed list and shall appoint election officials in the manner provided by the general statutes concerning elections.

SEC. 4. The hours during which the polls shall be open in the several districts in said town shall be uniform.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 64.]

[66.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF
THE ROSSIA CASUALTY COMPANY OF AMERICA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time for organizing The Rossia Casualty Company of America, incorporated by an act approved April 13, 1915, and for filing a cer-

tificate of incorporation in the office of the secretary of the state, is extended until April 13, 1923.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 193.]

[67.]

**AN ACT CHANGING THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN THE WEST
MIDDLE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE SOUTH SCHOOL
DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF HARTFORD.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All that part of the South School District lying within the following described limits in the town of Hartford is annexed to the West Middle School District of the town of Hartford: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of Sisson avenue in said town of Hartford and the line dividing said South School District from the West Middle School District; thence running southerly along said center line of Sisson avenue to the intersection of said center line of Sisson avenue and the center line of West boulevard; thence running westerly along said center line of said boulevard to the intersection of the center line of said boulevard with the center line of Prospect avenue; thence running northerly along said center line of Prospect avenue to the intersection of said center line of Prospect avenue and the line dividing said West Middle School District from said South School District; thence running easterly along said line dividing said West Middle School District from said South School District, to the point of beginning.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 137.]

[68.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TRAVELERS
INDEMNITY COMPANY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION. 1. The Travelers Indemnity Company is authorized to increase its capital stock to an amount not exceeding ten million dollars by the issue, from time to time, as its board of directors may deem expedient, of additional shares of a par value of one hundred dollars each.

SEC. 2. Such additional stock shall be paid for in cash in such amounts, at such times and in such manner as shall be prescribed by the board of directors, but the price of each share for any increase of capital stock shall not be less than par.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect when it shall be approved by a majority vote of the stockholders of the said The Travelers Indemnity Company and a certified copy of such approval and vote filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 135.]

[69.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE ST. JOHN'S ASYLUM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. John J. Nilan, John G. Murray, Thomas S. Duggan and William BroSmith, of Hartford, James B. Nihill of Bridgeport, Michael H. May of Rockville, and such other persons as may hereafter be associated with them in accordance with the by-laws of the corporation, are constituted a body corporate under the name of "The St. John's Asylum," to be located at Deep River in the county of Middlesex and state of Connecticut.

SEC. 2. The objects and purposes of the corporation are to establish and maintain an asylum and school at Deep River in the town of Saybrook for the physical, mental and moral care and training of children who may be committed to the charge of the corporation by parents or guardians or selectmen of any of the towns of Connecticut or by any court or judge, or who may be voluntarily accepted as suitable objects of relief and charity by the board of trustees of the corporation.

SEC. 3. The corporation shall have the power to acquire, locate and maintain an asylum and school at Deep River aforesaid and to purchase, receive, hold, mortgage and convey all kinds of property necessary or convenient for the purposes of the corporation; to sue and be sued; to complain and defend in any court; to make and use a common seal and alter the same at pleasure; to elect or appoint in such manner as it may determine all necessary or proper officers and agents; to make by-laws consistent with law which shall fix the number of corporation members and trustees and provide for the government and regulation of the corporation and such by-laws from time to time amend or alter; to take by gift, subscription, devise or otherwise any estate, real or personal, for the uses and purposes of the corporation; and as to each child committed or transferred to its care by any authority authorized by the laws of the state of Connecticut to make such commitment or transfer, the corporation shall have full guardianship and control during the period for which such child shall have been committed or transferred to the corporation and as to each child placed with the corporation by a parent or

guardian the corporation shall have full guardianship and control of such child during the period that such child shall remain lawfully under its control.

SEC. 4. The persons who may hold the offices respectively of Bishop, Auxiliary Bishop, Administrator, Vicar-General and Chancellor within and for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hartford and their successors in office forever shall by virtue of the respective offices always be members of this corporation, but on ceasing to hold office the corporate membership of each shall at once cease.

SEC. 5. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed in accordance with this act and such by-laws as may be adopted from time to time by a board of trustees of not less than seven nor more than eleven members. The Bishop, the Administrator for the time being, the Vicar-General and the Chancellor of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hartford shall by virtue of their respective offices always be members of the board of trustees. The remaining members shall be selected in such manner and at such time as the by-laws may provide.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the incorporators hereinbefore named at a meeting called for that purpose and notice of such acceptance shall be given by the corporation in a certificate to that effect subscribed by the president and secretary and filed in the office of the secretary of the state within six months after the passage of this act.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 140.]

[70.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TRAVELERS
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Travelers Insurance Company is authorized to increase its capital stock to an amount not exceeding twenty-five million dollars, by the issue, from time to time, as its board of directors may deem expedient, of additional shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each.

SEC. 2. Such additional stock shall be paid for in money, in such amounts, at such times and in such manner, as shall be prescribed by the board of directors, but the price of each share for any increase of capital stock shall be not less than par. Any such increase of capital stock shall be first offered to the stockholders appearing of record, in proportion to their respective holdings at the time when such increase shall be au-

thorized, and the same or any part thereof which shall not be accepted and paid for within the time or times and at the price prescribed by the board of directors may be sold, under the direction of said board, to other persons.

SEC. 3. Stockholders shall be entitled to assign and convey their rights to subscribe for any such increase, including rights that may accrue to subscribe for fractions of shares; but the company shall not be required to issue certificates for any fraction of shares.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect when it shall be approved by a majority vote of the stockholders of the said The Travelers Insurance Company and a certified copy of such approval and vote filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 672.]

[71.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TOWN COURT
OF SOUTHTONINGTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section twelve of an act establishing the town court of Southington, approved April 5, 1905, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of four hundred dollars per annum, and the deputy judge shall receive three dollars for each day that he is actually holding court, to be paid by the town of Southington, but the amount paid to said deputy judge shall be deducted from the salary of said judge by the treasurer of said town. The salary of the prosecuting attorney shall be five hundred dollars per annum, and the salary of the assistant prosecuting attorney shall be three dollars for each day that he is actually engaged before said court, to be paid by said town of Southington, but the amount so paid to said assistant prosecuting attorney shall be deducted from the salary of the prosecuting attorney by the treasurer of said town. The salaries and compensations provided in this section shall be in lieu of all fees whatsoever for the services of said officers arising from the business of said court, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town upon the order of the judge of said court.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 48.]

[72.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
JEREMIAH MORIARTY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Jeremiah Moriarty of Manchester by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 585.]

[73.]

AN ACT REIMBURSING JACOB I. GREENLEAF FOR INJURIES
RECEIVED ON TRUNK LINE HIGHWAY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of two hundred thirty-one dollars in favor of Jacob I. Greenleaf of Boston, Massachusetts, in full payment for all claims for damages against the state on account of the condition of the trunk line highway at the under pass in East Hartford.

Approved, April 15, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 165.]

[74.]

AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
AND A BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS IN THE
TOWN OF STRATFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There is established in the town of Stratford a board of police commissioners. Said board shall consist of six electors who shall be residents of the town of Stratford and shall serve without compensation. The selectmen of said town shall, upon the passage of this act, appoint six members of said board, two of whom shall hold office until January 1, 1922, two of whom shall hold office until January 1, 1923, and two of whom shall hold office until January 1, 1924, and at the regular meeting of the board of selectmen in December, 1921, and annually thereafter the board of selectmen shall appoint two members who shall

hold office for the term of three years from the first day of January following. Said board of police commissioners shall elect a president and secretary, and the first selectman shall, ex officio, be a member of said board and shall not participate in any vote of said board, except in case of a tie. Said board shall have supervision and control over the police department and all salaries and expenditures for the maintenance of said department shall be subject to the approval of the board of finance, and said board shall annually submit to the board of finance an estimate of the expenses for such department for the ensuing year. Said board shall appoint a chief of police and such other officers, not exceeding a total of twelve, as may be necessary, who shall be citizens of the town of Stratford and who shall hold office until removed by said board. All members of the police department shall have the same powers to preserve order, serve criminal process and arrest for crime as are now conferred by law upon constables. The board of police commissioners, after hearing, shall have power to suspend or remove any officer or member of the police department. Upon the suspension or removal of any member of the police department the board of police commissioners shall file a copy of the order of such suspension or removal containing the reasons for such suspension or removal and the time when such order shall take effect, with the town clerk. The board of police commissioners may make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the government and control of said police department.

SEC. 2. There is established in the town of Stratford a board of fire commissioners. Said board shall consist of six electors all of whom shall be residents of the town of Stratford and shall serve without compensation. The selectmen of said town shall, upon the passage of this act, appoint six members of said board, two of whom shall hold office until January 1, 1922, two of whom shall hold office until January 1, 1923, and two of whom shall hold office until January 1, 1924, and at the regular meeting of the board of selectmen in December, 1921, and annually thereafter the board of selectmen shall appoint two members who shall hold office for the term of three years from the first day of January following. Said board of fire commissioners shall elect a president and secretary, and the first selectman shall be, ex officio, a member of said board and shall not participate in any vote of said board, except in case of a tie. Said board shall have supervision and control over the fire department and all salaries and expenditures for the maintenance of said department and the purchase of apparatus and supplies shall be subject to the approval of the board of finance, and said board shall annually submit to the board of finance an estimate of the expenses of such department. Said board shall appoint a chief of the fire department and five firemen who shall be citizens of the town of Stratford and who shall hold office until removed by said board. The board of fire commissioners, after hearing, shall have power to suspend or remove any member of the fire department. Upon the suspension or removal of

any member of the fire department, the board of fire commissioners shall file a copy of the order of such suspension or removal containing the reasons for such suspension or removal and the time when such order shall take effect, with the town clerk. The board of fire commissioners may make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the government and control of said fire department.

Sec. 3. The board of police commissioners and the board of fire commissioners shall establish rules and regulations for ascertaining the qualifications of all applicants for appointment or promotion in said departments. Such examination shall be conducted by the commissioners of the respective boards, assisted by a surgeon designated by them.

Sec. 4. The board of police commissioners and board of fire commissioners shall have authority to retire from their departments any member who has served twenty-five years or more in such department and has reached the age of sixty-five years, or who shall have become permanently disabled, resulting from injury received in the performance of his duties. Any member of the police department or fire department retired shall receive a pension equal to one-half the annual compensation received by him at the time of his retirement.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 642.]

[75.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR INJURED
STATE EMPLOYEES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of five thousand dollars is appropriated for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section one of chapter 251 of the public acts of 1919, for the fiscal term ending June 30, 1921.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 159.]

[76.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF
SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT BY THE
BOROUGH OF SOUTHLINGTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section six of an act concerning the construction of sewers and sewage disposal plant by the borough of Southington, approved June 6, 1913, is amended to read as follows: The total expenses incurred under

the provisions of this act in connection with the construction of such drains, sewers, sewer system or systems, and disposal plants, including land damages, shall be, in the first instance, paid by said borough from the proceeds of bonds, notes or certificates of debt issued as hereinafter provided, and one-half of said total expenses shall be paid, from time to time, by said borough from the proceeds of general taxation. The remaining one-half of such expense shall be assessed and collected by such method as may be determined by vote of said borough, which method may include any one or a combination of any two or of all the following; by an assessment on the lands and estate situated within the territory benefited thereby, upon a rate proportionate to the benefits derived, based upon the area of the lots or upon the valuation of property; or by an assessment of all property except property used exclusively for railroad tracks or property covered by water, abutting upon all streets and highways through which a sewer is constructed capable of receiving the sewage drainage from such property, based upon a uniform assessment per lineal front foot, provided in case of a corner lot or a lot belonging to the same owner and abutting upon more than one sewered street the same area shall not be assessed more than once and shall not be assessed upon its total frontage on both of such streets, but shall be exempt therefrom, upon its frontage on one of such streets to an amount not exceeding sixty feet, and provided in case of property located on an angle or curve in any such street the total front foot measurement shall be estimated proportionately to the area of such property for a depth of sixty feet from the street, or by a fixed charge for connection with said sewer system and an annual sewer rental for all connections made with the sewer system, based upon a standard rate or charge approved by the warden and burgesses. All assessments under the provisions of this section shall be made by the board of sewer commissioners, and the sum so assessed shall constitute a lien upon the property upon or on account of which the assessment is made, until fully paid in accordance with the provisions hereof, and such assessments shall be due and payable within three months from the date of receipt of written notice by the person by whom the same is payable, provided said board of sewer commissioners shall, on the written request of any such person, made within said period of three months, apportion such assessment or charge into such number of equal annual parts or installments, not exceeding ten, as such person shall designate in such request. Interest from the date of such apportionment, at the rate of five per centum per annum, shall be added to each of such assessments or charges, until it is paid. Nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the payment in full, at any time, in one payment, notwithstanding its prior apportionment of any balance of any assessment or charge remaining unpaid, but interest on such balance, at the rate of five per centum per annum, shall be paid to the date of such payment; provided the entire cost of the construction of lateral sewers constructed after July 1, 1921,

plus an equalizing charge of thirty-five cents per lineal front foot, shall be assessed against the property abutting, and partly abutting and so located that it can connect with said lateral sewers, based upon a uniform assessment per lineal front foot, or part against the property abutting, and partly abutting and so located that it can be connected with said lateral sewers, based upon a uniform assessment per lineal front foot, and part against the borough at large. Said assessments shall be made subject to the exemptions on the frontages of corner lots and the provisions concerning angles and curves in frontages and the rights of lien in behalf of the borough as hereinbefore provided, excepting that legal interest shall be charged on said liens instead of interest at rate of five per centum per annum. All sums collected from said equalizing charge of thirty-five cents per lineal front foot shall constitute a separate fund to be used for the repair and extension of the sewage disposal plant.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 47.]

[77.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
WILLIAM McCLOSKY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by William McClosky of Shelton by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 332.]

[78.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
MERRILL G. FENN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Merrill G. Fenn of Salisbury by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 242.]

[79.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
THOMAS W. ALLYN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Thomas W. Allyn of Ledyard by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 306.]

[80.]

AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE FIRST AND EIGHTH SCHOOL
DISTRICTS OF BRISTOL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All that part of the town of Bristol described and known as the Eighth School District, with the inhabitants residing within the limits of said Eighth School District, is hereby annexed to and made a part of the First School District in said town of Bristol.

SEC. 2. This act shall not take effect until both the First School District of the town of Bristol and the Eighth School District of the town of Bristol shall have accepted the provisions of this act at school meetings held in said districts for the purpose of accepting or rejecting the provisions of this act.

SEC. 3. The clerk of the respective districts shall certify both to the secretary of the state and to the town clerk of the town of Bristol the result of the action of his district on this proposition and if either district votes to reject the provisions of this act, no further action under this act shall be taken by either district.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 769.]

[81.]

AN ACT AMENDING A RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE
TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR THE AID OF DISABLED
MINISTERS AND NEEDY WIDOWS AND
ORPHANS OF MINISTERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section two of a resolution incorporating the Trustees of the Fund for the Aid of Disabled Ministers and Needy Widows and

Orphans of Ministers, approved June 28, 1867, is amended to read as follows: Said corporation shall be purely a benevolent institution for the purpose of securing and applying offerings from churches and individuals for the aid of infirm or disabled clergymen who have at some time ministered to congregational churches in this state and are connected with the district associations of congregational ministers represented in the general association of Connecticut or are connected with any consociation or any association of congregational churches and ministers in this state; and for the aid of destitute widows and orphans of clergymen who have at some time ministered to such churches and were at the time of their death connected with such district associations or with some consociation or association of congregational churches and ministers in this state under such restrictions and in such manner as the general conference of the congregational churches of Connecticut may, from time to time, direct, or in the absence of such direction according to the discretion of said corporation.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect without acceptance by the corporation.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 665.]

[82.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF FINANCE
AND INCREASING THE POWERS OF THE BOARD OF
SELECTMEN IN THE TOWN OF EAST HAVEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section thirteen of an act creating a board of finance, and increasing the powers of the board of selectmen of the town of East Haven, approved April 7, 1915, is amended to read as follows: Before passing any rule or regulation, said board of selectmen shall hold a meeting thereon. Notice of such hearing shall be given by publishing the time and place of the same in some newspaper having a circulation in said town, and such notice shall state the nature of any proposed rule or regulation, at least five days before the date of such hearing. Any such hearing may be adjourned from time to time as such board shall deem necessary.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 436.]

[83.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT REVISING THE CHARTER
OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section 241 of an act revising the charter of the city of Stamford, approved May 20, 1915, is amended to read as follows: Said city court shall have civil jurisdiction in all cases at law and in equity, wherein the matter in demand does not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars, between parties one of whom is a resident of said town of Stamford or has estate in said town which is attached in said action, and may proceed to try, decide and enforce judgment and execution in all cases wherein it has jurisdiction, subject to the right of appeal to the court of common pleas of Fairfield county in all actions at law or in equity, except summary process, in which the matter in demand exceeds the sum of one hundred dollars, as hereinafter provided. If any answer shall be filed in any action pending before said court wherein the defendant claims judgment in his favor for a sum exceeding that fixed as the highest pecuniary limit of the jurisdiction of the court, and a sufficient bond, with surety, is offered by him, conditioned for the transfer of said action, as hereinafter provided, the court shall, without proceeding further in said action, take such recognizance, and thereupon certified copies of the files and records in said action shall be transmitted by the clerk of said court to the next court of common pleas or superior court, as the case may be to be held in the county, which would have original cognizance of an action brought to recover the demand or for the relief claimed in said answer; and the entry of said copies on the docket of said court to which they are so transmitted shall operate as a transfer of said action to said court, which shall thereupon have full jurisdiction to hear and determine it in the same manner as if it were or might have been brought therein or thereto by original process or appeal, nor shall any bonds, attachments, or other security in favor of either party be impaired by such transfers; but if the defendant does not offer or furnish such recognizance, nor withdraw said answer, he shall be deemed to waive any claim for any greater sum than the court has jurisdiction to award, and the court may thereupon proceed to take cognizance of the claim set up in said answer and, if the same be established, may render judgment in favor of the defendant for a sum not exceeding that fixed as the highest pecuniary limit of said court's jurisdiction; and such judgment shall be a bar to any future claim by said defendant against the plaintiff for the whole or any part of the demand specified in said answer. Said city court shall

also be a court of record, and shall have a seal which shall be provided at the expense of said city.

SEC. 2. Section 247 of said act is amended to read as follows: In all civil causes whereof said court shall have jurisdiction, whenever the plaintiff or defendant shall claim such cause for a jury trial, the clerk of said court shall enter such cause upon the jury docket of said court and said court shall cause a jury of twelve to be summoned in the same manner as justice jurors are now summoned, except in summary process actions when a jury of six shall be summoned, and said jurors shall be paid two dollars a day without mileage. Whenever a trial by jury of any cause shall be had in said city court, no appeal shall be allowed therein to the court of common pleas. Either party to any civil cause in said city court, except summary process, may appeal the same to the supreme court of errors, in the manner provided by law for such appeals. No claim for a jury trial shall be entertained except upon written request of either party made to the clerk of said court within thirty days after the return day, or within ten days after an issue of fact is joined after said period.

SEC. 3. Section 248 of said act is amended to read as follows: In all civil actions returnable to said court the following fees shall be collected by the clerk, and by him paid to the treasurer of said city: In cases where the demand exceeds five hundred dollars, entry fee, five dollars; judgment fee, seven dollars; in cases where the demand exceeds two hundred fifty dollars and does not exceed five hundred, entry fee, three dollars, judgment fee, five dollars; in cases where the demand exceeds one hundred dollars and does not exceed two hundred and fifty dollars, entry fee, two dollars, judgment fee, three dollars; in cases where the demand does not exceed one hundred dollars, entry fee, one dollar, judgment fee, two dollars; in all other cases, entry fee, one dollar, judgment fee, one dollar and fifty cents. In cases of judgment by default or non-suit, judgment fee, one dollar; adjournment, fifty cents; copy of record, twenty-five cents per page; execution, fifty cents.

SEC. 4. Section 265 of said act as amended by section thirty-six of an act amending the charter of the city of Stamford, approved May 16, 1917, is amended to read as follows: From the first day of April, 1921, the judge of said court shall receive a salary of thirty-five hundred dollars per annum, the deputy judge shall receive a salary of four hundred fifty dollars per annum, the prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, the assistant prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of four hundred fifty dollars per annum, the clerk of said court shall receive a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum. Said salaries shall be paid by said city on orders issued by the judge of said court, directed to the city clerk, who shall, upon receipt thereof, provide for payment of the sums named in such orders.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 185.]

[84.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MERIDEN
AND MAKING ALL CITY ELECTIONS BIENNIAL.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section five of the charter of the city of Meriden is amended to read as follows: At the annual meeting on the third Tuesday of December, 1921, there shall be elected by the qualified voters of said city from their number by a plurality of ballots, a mayor and two sheriffs, and the qualified voters in each ward shall further elect in like manner from their number one alderman and two councilmen, who shall hold office for two years from the first Monday of January succeeding their election, and the clerk, treasurer and auditor of city accounts of the city of Meriden and in each ward in said city the aldermen and councilmen whose terms expire on the first Monday of January, 1922, shall hold office until the first Monday of January, 1923, and at the city election on the third Tuesday of December, 1922, there shall be elected biennially a mayor, clerk, treasurer and two sheriffs and an auditor of city accounts, by the qualified voters of said city from their number by a plurality of ballots, and the qualified voters in each ward shall further elect in like manner from their number two aldermen and four councilmen, each of whom should hold office for two years from the first Monday of January, 1923, and until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts passed prior to 1921, relating to the election of officers by ballot for the city of Meriden, are repealed.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 134.]

[85.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE ST. AGNES HOME.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. John J. Nilan, John G. Murray, Thomas S. Duggan, William F. O'Neil, Charles E. Barrett and William BroSmith, of Hartford, and such other persons as may hereafter be associated with them in accordance with the by-laws of the corporation, are constituted a body corporate under the name of The St. Agnes Home, to be located in the town of West Hartford in the state of Connecticut.

SEC. 2. The objects and purposes of the corporation are to establish and maintain in the town of West Hartford a home and infirmary

for the physical, mental and moral care and training of children who may be committed to the charge of the corporation by parents or guardians or selectmen of any of the towns of Connecticut or by any court or judge or who may be voluntarily accepted as suitable objects of relief and charity by the board of trustees of the corporation and to maintain in connection therewith a maternity hospital.

SEC. 3. The corporation shall have the power to acquire, locate and maintain a home and maternity hospital in the town of West Hartford aforesaid and to purchase, receive, hold, mortgage and convey all kinds of property necessary or convenient for the purposes of the corporation; to sue and be sued; to complain and defend in any court; to make and use a common seal and alter the same at pleasure; to elect or appoint in such manner as it may determine all necessary or proper officers or agents; to make by-laws consistent with law which shall fix the number of corporation members and trustees and provide for the government and regulation of the corporation and such by-laws from time to time amend or alter; to take by gift, subscription, devise or otherwise any estate, real or personal, for the uses and purposes of the corporation; and as to each child committed or transferred to its care by any authority authorized by the laws of the state of Connecticut to make such commitment or transfer the corporation shall have full guardianship and control during the period for which such child shall have been committed or transferred to the corporation and as to each child placed with the corporation by a parent or guardian the corporation shall have full guardianship and control of such child during the period that such child shall remain lawfully under its control.

SEC. 4. Persons who may hold the offices respectively of Bishop, Auxiliary Bishop, Administrator, Vicar-General and Chancellor within and for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hartford and their successors in office forever shall by virtue of the respective offices always be members of this corporation but on ceasing to hold office the corporate membership of each shall cease.

SEC. 5. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed in accordance with this act and such by-laws as may be adopted from time to time by a board of trustees of not less than seven nor more than eleven members. The Bishop, the Administrator for the time being, the Vicar-General and the Chancellor of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hartford shall by virtue of their respective offices always be members of the board of trustees. The remaining members shall be elected in such manner and at such times as the by-laws may provide.

SEC. 6. Upon the acceptance of this act by the incorporators as hereinafter provided, The St. Agnes Home Corporation, a body politic and corporate, heretofore organized under and pursuant to the statute laws of the state of Connecticut regulating the formation and organization of corporations without capital stock, shall be and it is hereby authorized and empowered to convey, transfer, set over and deliver

to the corporation hereby created all and singular the real and personal property, home, maternity hospital and equipment owned and occupied by the said The St. Agnes Home Corporation, located in the town of West Hartford aforesaid, provided that the corporation hereby created will in consideration thereof assume all of the debts and other obligations of whatsoever nature contracted by The St. Agnes Home Corporation, or entered into by such corporation prior to the date of such conveyance and transfer, and the corporation hereby created shall succeed to all of the rights, powers and privileges heretofore enjoyed by the said The St. Agnes Home Corporation and shall be subject to all of the obligations heretofore assumed by such corporation to the same extent and in the same manner as if they had respectively been originally granted to or imposed upon the corporation hereby created. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the incorporators hereinbefore named at a meeting called for that purpose and at which meeting the corporation shall also assume all of the debts and other obligations of whatsoever nature of the said The St. Agnes Home, as hereinbefore provided, and the fact of such acceptance and assumption as herein provided shall be certified in a certificate subscribed by the president and secretary and filed in the office of the secretary of the state within six months after the passage of this act.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 355.]

[86.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE MOUNTAIN GROVE
CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of the resolution incorporating The Mountain Grove Cemetery Association, approved May 6, 1889, is amended to read as follows: The affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a board of not less than nine nor more than twenty directors, who shall be lot owners, to be elected in such manner as the by-laws may provide. If a vacancy shall occur in said board, the remainder of the board may, by a majority vote of those present at any meeting warned for that purpose, elect some person to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term. Said directors shall elect one of their number to be president, and shall also appoint a treasurer, secretary, and such other officers or agents as they may see fit, and all such officers, unless otherwise provided, shall hold their offices for one year and until others are appointed in their places.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 99.]

[87.]

**AN ACT AMENDING A RESOLUTION INCORPORATING
WOODSTOCK ACADEMY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of a resolution incorporating Woodstock Academy, approved May, 1802, is amended to read as follows: That Samuel McClellan, Eliphalet Lyman, Nehemiah Child, Ebenezer Smith, Wm. Potter, Hezekiah Bugbee, Ichabod Marcey, Jesse Bolles, David Holmes and others, who are or hereafter may be proprietors of Woodstock Academy, so called, in Woodstock, are made a body corporate by the name and title of "The Proprietors of Woodstock Academy;" and by that name shall be capable in law to have, purchase, receive, possess and enjoy to them and their successors, real and personal estate of any kind and quality whatsoever, and the same to sell, grant or alien, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in all courts in this state; to have and use a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew at pleasure, and to ordain and carry into effect such by-laws and regulations as shall be deemed necessary or useful for the well-ordering and governing of the affairs of said corporation, not repugnant to the laws of this state, or to the constitution and laws of the United States.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 311.]

[88.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MERIDEN
CREATING A BOARD OF BUILDING COMMISSIONERS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the city of Meriden a board of building commissioners, all of whom shall be electors residing in said city, and who shall serve without compensation. Said board shall consist of three members, who shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the court of common council and hold office for a term of three years. During the month of January, 1922, the mayor shall designate one member on said commission, who shall serve until the first Monday of January, 1923, and one who shall serve until the first Monday of January, 1924, and one who shall serve until the first Monday of January, 1925, and during the month of January in each year thereafter, the mayor shall

appoint one member of said commission who shall hold office for three years from and after the first Monday of January, 1923, succeeding his or her appointment with the approval of the court of common council. No member of the court of common council, or member of any board of public works, police, fire, park or board of apportionment and taxation shall be a building commissioner. In case of the death, resignation, removal or continual inability to serve of any member thereof, the mayor shall immediately fill the vacancy for the unexpired term with the approval of the court of common council.

SEC. 2. The board of building commissioners shall have the charge of the construction and erection, remodeling, alteration, repairing, moving and removal of all buildings in the city of Meriden and shall provide for the safety of buildings and building operations in said city, and may appoint a building inspector, whose compensation shall be fixed by the board of apportionment and taxation, and who shall carry out any ordinance, by-law, resolution or vote of the court of common council, and said building inspector shall perform all the duties now conferred upon the fire marshal under the provisions of the general statutes.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect on the first Monday of January, 1922.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 35.]

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[89.]

AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE BOROUGH OF NEW CANAAN
WITH THE TOWN OF NEW CANAAN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of New Canaan is hereby divided into three taxing districts. The territory of said town lying within the boundaries of the borough of New Canaan, as the same exists when this act becomes effective, shall be the first taxing district. The territory in said town lying outside of the first taxing district shall be the second taxing district. All the territory in said town, including the territory of the first and second taxing districts, shall be the third taxing district.

SEC. 2. The inhabitants and property within the limits of the first taxing district shall be solely liable for the principal and interest, and all other expenses connected with certain sewer bonds issued by said borough of New Canaan and outstanding, and for the continued operation, maintenance and upkeep of such sewer and the plant and property connected therewith, to the same extent as they would be liable if said debts, expenses, powers and duties had not been transferred from said borough to the town of New Canaan. All rents, tolls, rates and revenues received from and on account of said sewer shall be applicable only to

the payment of interest on, and the accumulation of a sinking fund for the retirement of said bonds at maturity. All burdens and expenses connected with the curbing and laying of sidewalks within said first taxing district and their repair and maintenance, street lighting, policing and fire prevention, and all other expenses that may be outstanding or shall be incurred exclusively for its benefit, shall be borne by said first taxing district, except as herein otherwise specifically provided.

SEC. 3. All burdens and expenses connected with the curbing and laying of sidewalks within said second taxing district, and their repair and maintenance, shall be borne by the second taxing district.

SEC. 4. All expenses connected with bridges and highways and the other burdens and expenses of said town not herein provided to be borne by the first and second taxing districts, shall be borne by the third taxing district.

SEC. 5. When any expense shall be incurred which shall benefit the inhabitants and property within one district in a greater proportion than the other inhabitants and property in said town, such expense shall be apportioned among the several districts by the board of finance in accordance with the benefits.

SEC. 6. All owners of property in said first taxing district, lying below the sewer grade, or which from any other cause deemed sufficient by the health officer of said town, is deprived of sewer privileges, but which is supplied with running water, shall construct and maintain in good repair, water closets, cesspools and necessary equipment, at their own expense, under the direction and to the satisfaction of said health officer. Thereafter the expense of the care of such cesspools shall be borne by the first taxing district. Notwithstanding the property herein mentioned may be deprived of sewer privileges, its liability to the sewer tax shall not be affected.

SEC. 7. All owners of property similarly situated to that described in section six, which is not supplied with running water, shall construct and maintain privies, under the direction and to the satisfaction of said health officer. Thereafter the expense of cleaning such privies shall be borne by said first taxing district. Notwithstanding the property herein mentioned may be deprived of sewer privileges, its liability to the sewer tax shall not be affected. All property outside the first taxing district that may be served by said sewer shall be liable for and shall pay the same sewer tax chargeable against property within said district.

SEC. 8. All property and property rights and all separate rights of action and liens belonging to or vested in said borough of New Canaan, at the time when this act becomes effective, are hereby transferred to the town of New Canaan, subject to the payment of the obligations of said borough chargeable against the same.

SEC. 9. All debts and obligations of the borough of New Canaan shall be taken over by, and hereby are transferred to, the town of New Canaan, but the property in the first taxing district in said town shall

be solely liable for said debts and obligations and for any renewals thereof, and the property lying outside of said district shall be free from liability on account of said debts and obligations and renewals thereof.

SEC. 10. All persons who are required by law to pay money or deliver property to, or perform services for, the borough of New Canaan, or the officers thereof, are hereby authorized and directed to pay such money, deliver such property to or perform such services for, the town of New Canaan.

SEC. 11. The town of New Canaan is hereby authorized to issue its interest-bearing bonds, to an amount stated for a specific purpose or purposes, provided the general terms and description of such bonds shall be stated and the total amount of bonds or other indebtedness shall not exceed five per centum of the amount of its grand list. The issuance of any bonds shall be in conformity with a vote of the legal voters of the town at a meeting duly warned and held, which vote shall, subject to the foregoing limitations, specify the aggregate amount of such bonds, their time or times and place of payment, their denominations, the rate of interest which they shall bear, the price for which they shall be sold, the town officers by whom they shall be signed and the manner of disposing of said bonds. When bonds are issued by said town with provision for a sinking fund for the retirement thereof, the board of finance is authorized in its discretion to invest such sinking funds in bonds of the United States, in bonds of said town, or in any other Connecticut state, county or municipal bonds which may be authorized by law as legal investments for savings banks or trust funds.

SEC. 12. An election for the town officers, herein prescribed and a town meeting shall be held on the first Monday of October, 1921, and biennially thereafter. All town officers whose election or appointment is not herein otherwise provided shall be elected in the manner prescribed by the general statutes and shall hold office for the term of two years from the first Monday of October and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 13. At the town meeting of the town of New Canaan to be held on the first Monday in October, 1921, the electors of said town shall choose, in the manner provided by law, three selectmen, all of whom shall be elected to serve until the next biennial election and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. The candidate for selectman receiving the highest number of votes shall be the first selectman. The selectmen shall exercise all the powers conferred by the constitution and laws of this state upon selectmen concerning the making of electors and shall receive the fees therefor prescribed by law. All other powers conferred by law upon selectmen of towns, except as herein otherwise provided, shall be vested in the board of finance. The first selectman shall preside at all meetings of the board of finance, but shall have no vote, except in the case of a tie. Selectmen shall serve without salary and shall receive no pay except the fees provided by law for the making of electors.

SEC. 14. The present board of assessors of the town of New Canaan shall continue to hold office until their respective terms expire and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. At the first biennial election held after the expiration of the term of office of that member of said board of assessors whose term of office first expires, one assessor shall be elected to hold office for the term of six years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. At each succeeding biennial election there shall be elected one assessor who shall hold office for the term of six years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. One assessor may be designated by the board of finance as first assessor who may be paid an additional salary. The assessors shall assess all of the property, real and personal, situate in said town which is liable to taxation under the general statutes. They shall, on or before the fifteenth of October in each year, give notice by posting the same on the public sign-post in said town and by publishing the same at least once in a newspaper published in said town, to all persons liable to pay taxes in said town, requiring that they submit written or printed lists, verified by the oaths of the respective persons, of all property belonging to said persons on the first day of October of that year, with the particulars of all their property liable to be assessed and valued, designating the district or districts in which each item of such property is situated, on or before November first following; and said assessors shall complete the lists of the several taxing districts of said town and lodge the same in the office of the town clerk on or before the first day of February following, where said lists shall remain for twenty days open to the inspection of any person liable to taxation in said town.

SEC. 15. The board of relief in office at the time this act takes effect shall continue to hold office until their respective terms expire and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. At the first biennial election held after the expiration of the term of office of that member of said board of relief whose term of office first expires, one member shall be elected to hold office for the term of six years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. At each succeeding biennial election there shall be elected one member of the board of relief who shall hold office for the term of six years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 16. There is hereby established in said town a board of finance which shall be composed of six electors who shall be taxpayers of said town. Two members of said board shall be appointed from each of the taxing districts. The members of the board of finance in office at the time this act takes effect shall continue to hold office until their respective terms expire. At least thirty days before the expiration of the respective terms of office of the members of the board of finance, the selectmen shall, by majority vote, appoint two electors who shall be taxpayers of said town to succeed the members of said board of finance whose terms so expire. Such appointments shall be for the term of six

years. In making appointments to the board of finance the leading political parties shall be recognized so as to keep said board of finance non-partisan. The members of the board of finance shall receive no compensation for the performance of their duties and shall hold no other office in the town government. They shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. At all meetings of said board, four members shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of four votes shall be necessary for the transaction of business. Vacancies occurring in the board of finance shall be filled by the board having power of appointment in the same manner as original appointments.

SEC. 17. The board of finance shall be vested with the powers, rights and duties conferred by the general statutes upon town boards of finance and upon the municipal authorities of cities and boroughs and, except in the matter of making electors, upon selectmen of towns. Said board shall, at its meeting held on the first Tuesday of September in each year, choose a clerk, not a member of the board, who shall be duly sworn to the faithful performance of his duties and shall keep a record of all proceedings of the board. It shall fix the time, except as herein otherwise provided, and the manner of calling its meetings and regulate the procedure thereof. On the first Tuesday of September in each year the board of finance shall hold a meeting, and at said meeting the town school committee shall submit to said board estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for the maintenance of the schools of said town for the year next ensuing, beginning the fifteenth day of September in each year, and shall submit to said board a statement of the expenditures of said town school committee for the preceding year; and the town manager and all other officers and departments of said town whom said board shall direct so to do, at said meeting, shall submit estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for all other expenses in said town for the year next ensuing, beginning the fifteenth day of September in each year, which estimates shall be published at least once in a newspaper published in said town, at least five days before said meeting. Said board of finance may adjourn said meeting from time to time, and, at said meeting or any adjournment thereof, shall make appropriations for the expenses of said town as aforesaid, for the year next ensuing, beginning the fifteenth day of September in each year; and said board, at its discretion, may make appropriations for paying off any part of the debt of the town and to provide a fund for any public improvement, and shall classify said appropriations under proper heads; and said board shall lay such tax upon the grand list of said town, last completed, or on that next thereafter completed, as it shall deem necessary, and may fix the time when such tax shall become due and payable. At said meeting, and at all adjournments thereof, said board of finance shall hear all parties who may desire to be heard relative to any of such estimates. A statement of such appropriations and of the rate of taxation fixed by said board

shall be filed in the town clerk's office in said town on or before the last Monday of September next ensuing, and shall be published at least once in a newspaper published in said town on or before said last Monday of September; but such appropriations and the rate of taxation fixed by said board shall be submitted by the board to a town meeting to be held in said town on the first Monday in October following. Said town meeting shall have power to decrease the appropriations, or any item thereof, or the rate of taxation fixed by said board of finance, but in no case shall it have the power to increase the appropriations, or any item thereof, or the rate of taxation. The rate of taxation so reported by said board shall be final, and the appropriations recommended shall be the appropriations of the town of New Canaan for the ensuing year, beginning September fifteenth as aforesaid, unless said rate of taxation or said appropriation be decreased by said town meeting, in which case the action of said town meeting shall be final. The total amount of appropriations for any one year shall not exceed the estimated income for that year, nor shall any liability or expense be incurred by contract or otherwise, for which said town shall be responsible, in excess of the appropriations estimated by said board, except, as herein otherwise provided. If a special appropriation is required for any purpose, an estimate of the same shall be prepared and submitted to said board of finance at a special meeting called for that purpose, and said board, at said meeting or any adjournment thereof, shall have power to make any such appropriation and to lay a special tax to meet the same; but no such appropriation shall be made unless a special tax is laid sufficient to cover the amount thereof, when such appropriation is in excess of the unappropriated revenue of said town. Said appropriations and the rate of taxation so recommended shall be submitted by the board to a special town meeting called for that purpose, and said special town meeting shall have power to decrease the appropriations or any item thereof, or the rate of taxation, recommended by said board of finance, or said special town meeting may vote not to make such appropriation or levy such special tax, but in no case shall any special town meeting have power to increase any special appropriation or any rate of taxation recommended by said board of finance or to so decrease the rate of taxation as to create a deficiency; provided, that, if any appropriation be made as provided in this section for the exclusive use of any one district and no liability therefor attach to the property or inhabitants of any other district, only the voters in the district to be affected shall vote on such appropriation at such town meeting. Said board may make transfers of unexpended balances from one appropriation to another, but no amount appropriated for any one purpose shall be used or appropriated for any other purpose unless the same be recommended by said board; may prescribe the method of keeping and auditing the accounts of said town; adjust claims against the town; change the fiscal year of said town; make

all contracts in behalf of said town; accept any bequest or devise; provide for temporary borrowing of money; control and regulate the use and occupancy of all town buildings and property; designate and erect public signposts and places where notice of meetings will be posted; may make or enact by-laws and ordinances to promote the sanitary, physical, moral or economic welfare of the town, which shall have the force of law within the limits thereof; may appoint persons to fill all the offices in said town government whose appointment is herein prescribed; change the length of the term and fix the salaries and compensation of all officers and employees of the town and define their duties where not expressly fixed and defined by this charter; may prescribe the amount of bonds to be given by appointive officers and confer upon such appointive officers authority to execute and discharge their duties; create or abolish any appointive office, department or commission; create departments of the town government and prescribe the powers and duties thereof; appoint one or more of the town police as town constables who shall be vested with the authority conferred on constables by the provisions of the general statutes; may regulate the times and places of holding town meetings, notice of which shall be given as prescribed by the general statutes, and fix the hours during which the polls shall be open at elections and town meetings; may organize and maintain a police department and appoint the members and officers thereof; make and cause to be executed rules and regulations for the government of said police department and the personnel thereof, and provide for suitable policing of the streets and roads of said town; may make such by-laws, orders, ordinances, rules and enactments as it shall see fit for a volunteer fire department in the town, or provide for the organization and maintenance of a suitable fire department; procure and maintain suitable apparatus and land and buildings for the fire department; make and cause to be executed, rules and regulations for the government of the fire department and the personnel thereof; construct cisterns and tanks and private hydrants at such points as may be deemed expedient, and provide for a sufficient supply of water for fire purposes; may exercise the rights, powers and duties conferred upon the selectmen of towns, except as herein otherwise provided, and upon the warden and burgesses of the borough of New Canaan, whether herein specifically given or not.

SEC. 18. At the town meeting of said town to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921, the electors of said town shall choose, in the manner provided by law, a town clerk, who shall be elected to serve until the next biennial election and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. Before entering on the discharge of his duties he shall give a bond in an amount and with a surety to be approved by said board of finance, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as town clerk.

SEC. 19. The board of finance shall appoint a tax collector and a town treasurer, each of whom shall be a resident of said town and, before entering on the discharge of his duties, shall give a bond in an amount and with a surety to be approved by said board of finance, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such town official.

SEC. 20. The offices of town clerk and tax collector or the offices of town clerk and town treasurer, may be held by the same person.

SEC. 21. The library directors of the New Canaan library in office at the time of the passage of this act shall continue to hold office until their respective terms expire and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. At the expiration of the term of office of those two members of said library directors whose term of office first expires, the board of finance shall appoint two residents of said town as library directors who shall hold office for the term of six years and until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. Thereafter said board of finance shall appoint, biennially, two residents of said town to be library directors for a like term.

SEC. 22. When a vacancy shall occur in any office in the town government, the board of finance shall fill the same by appointment, but in case the office is elective, such appointee shall hold office only until the next succeeding election.

SEC. 23. The board of finance shall appoint a person having a practical knowledge of road and bridge building, and in the judgment of said board, having executive and administrative ability, to be town manager, who shall hold office at the pleasure of said board. If removed from office after six months, he may demand written charges and a public hearing thereon before said board. He shall have no other gainful occupation except with the consent of said board. Before entering on the discharge of his duties he shall give a bond in an amount and with a surety to be approved by said board of finance, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as town manager.

SEC. 24. The town manager shall be responsible to the board of finance for the administration of the affairs of the town, except for the performance of the duties of the elected town officers or those herein provided to be appointed by said board, and he shall perform such duties as the board of finance shall prescribe. He shall be purchasing agent for the town, but shall be limited as to expenditures made and liabilities incurred during the fiscal year to the appropriations made by the board of finance, except in case of necessity involving the immediate repair of a highway, bridge or sidewalk or other emergency, in which case, such expenditure shall not exceed two hundred dollars unless specially authorized by the board of finance. The town manager shall certify all charges against the town which shall, upon receiving the approval of the board of finance, be paid by the town treasurer upon a requisition by the town manager. At such time in each year

as the board of finance may designate, the town manager shall file with said board an itemized statement of his disbursements and receipts during the preceding year with all vouchers therefor, together with an estimate of disbursements and receipts for the ensuing year. Such statements after being approved by the board of finance, shall be filed with the town treasurer and shall be incorporated in his annual report.

SEC. 25. The town manager shall, except as herein otherwise provided, appoint and remove all employees of the town. He shall attend all meetings of the board of finance, of which notice may be sent to him in due form, with the right to take part in their discussions, but shall have no vote. He shall recommend for adoption such measures, ordinances or by-laws as he may deem necessary or expedient. He shall keep the board of finance advised as to the financial condition and needs of the town. He shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by charter or be required of him by ordinance or resolution of the board of finance.

SEC. 26. The premiums on all bonds given by town officials whether elective or appointive, shall be paid by the town.

SEC. 27. Neither the town manager nor any person in the employ of the town under him shall take any active part in securing, or contribute any money toward, the nomination or election of any candidate for selectmen, or member of board of assessors or board of relief.

SEC. 28. All town officers whose election or appointment is not herein otherwise provided for, shall be elected in the manner prescribed by the general statutes, and shall hold office for the term of two years from the first Monday of October, 1921, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 29. All ordinances, resolutions, by-laws, orders or other regulations of said town and of said borough of New Canaan, existing at the time this act becomes effective, shall continue in effect until annulled, repealed, modified or superseded.

SEC. 30. No officer or employee of the town shall, directly or indirectly, be financially interested in any contract, work or service for the town, and any contract with the town in which any such officer or employee is so interested shall be void.

SEC. 31. If any section or part of a section of this charter shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, it shall not invalidate or impair the validity or effect of any other section or part of a section unless it shall clearly appear that such other section or part of a section is dependent for its operation upon the section or part of a section so held invalid or unconstitutional.

SEC. 32. Upon filing with the board of finance a petition signed by not less than ten per centum of the electors as shown by the last voting list, praying for amendment or amendments to this charter, specifying such amendment or amendments, the board of finance, not less than thirty nor more than ninety days after receiving such petition,

shall call a town meeting for the purpose of submitting such proposed amendment or amendments to the electors. The warning for such meeting shall state the manner in which the vote is to be taken. Not less than thirty days prior to such meeting, the town clerk shall cause to be sent by mail to each elector whose name appears on the last registration list, a printed copy of such proposed amendment, and shall cause the same to be published in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in said town. If, at such town meeting, the total number of votes cast is not less than fifty-one per centum of the registered vote, and if a majority of the electors voting at such meeting shall vote in favor of such proposed amendment or amendments, the same shall take effect as therein provided, and become a part of the charter. When an amendment is adopted as herein provided, the town clerk, within five days after such adoption, shall cause a true and correct copy thereof to be entered in a book to be kept by him for that purpose and shall certify its adoption and date thereof, and shall cause a like copy, attested by him, to be delivered to the secretary of the state, who shall cause the same to be recorded in a book kept by him for recording similar papers, and a copy thereof certified by such town clerk or by the secretary of the state to be a correct copy, shall be legal evidence in any court.

SEC. 33. The charter of the borough of New Canaan, approved June 11, 1889, and all amendments thereto, and an act creating a board of finance in the town of New Canaan, approved May 11, 1911, shall be repealed from the first Monday of October, 1921, and from said date said borough shall cease to exist.

SEC. 34. This act shall take effect upon approval by the electors of the town of New Canaan at a special meeting to be held on or before the last Monday in July, 1921, and, in the warning for such special meeting, notice shall be given to the electors of said town that the question of the approval or disapproval of this act will be voted upon. Those electors who are in favor of approving said act will give in their ballots with the word "Yes" written or printed thereon, and those opposed will give in their ballots with the word "No" written or printed thereon, and such ballots shall be furnished by the selectmen. If the majority of the ballots so given have the word "Yes" written or printed thereon, this act shall take effect. Ballot boxes for the reception of such ballots at such meeting shall be provided by the selectmen and remain open from six o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon, when they shall be closed and the ballots sorted and counted and the result declared. The registry list of said town last made and completed shall be used and the ballots shall be polled under the same regulations as govern electors' meetings in said town. If the majority of said ballots shall be in favor of approving said act, a certificate of said approval, signed by the selectmen of said town, shall be transmitted to the secretary of the state, who shall record the same.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 462.]

[90.]

AN ACT PAYING EZRA G. BILL FOR SERVICES RENDERED
TO THE STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of fifty dollars per month for a period of twenty-four months, commencing in May, 1921, in favor of Ezra G. Bill of 12 Congress street, Hartford, in payment for services rendered to the state by said Bill during August, September and October, 1861, and from February first to September first, 1862; provided, if said Bill shall die before the expiration of said period, said payments shall terminate.

Approved, April 18, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 67.]

[91.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CLAIM OF IRMA STEINBERGER
AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MAURICE STEINBERGER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Permission is given Irma Steinberger of Vienna and Budapest to present any lawful claim which she may have against the estate of Maurice Steinberger, late of Bridgeport, deceased, or to commence any action in any court of law in this state against said estate within six months after the declaration of peace between the United States of America and the former Austrian-Hungarian empire, its successors or sub-divisions.

SEC. 2. The six months' limitation under the provisions of chapter 52 of the public acts of 1919, shall not apply to the presentation of such claim against said estate.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 26.]

[92.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TORRINGTON
WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Torrington Water Company is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding one million dollars, divided into shares of the par value of twenty-five dollars each. The provisions of this act may be accepted by said corporation any time within one year from its approval.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 434.]

[93.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORWICH TO SUPPLY
WATER IN LISBON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The city of Norwich is authorized to extend its water supply to the inhabitants in the town of Lisbon.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 583.]

[94.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND READING
ROOM IN THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All moneys collected as penalties by the directors of the public library and reading room in the city of Bridgeport for violation of the rules and regulations adopted by the directors for the government of the library and reading room, and all fines and penalties which may be imposed upon any person for the violation of any city ordinance relative to the use and government of said public library and reading room, shall be placed in the treasury of said city, to the credit of the "Library Fund" and shall be expended by said directors in the same

manner as other moneys credited to said library fund. Any expenditure of such money for the benefit of said library and reading room heretofore made by said directors is validated.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 243.]

[95.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
CARL A. GEIB.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Carl A. Geib of Norwich by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 480.]

[96.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
JOHN B. SHEPARD OF BRIDGEPORT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by John B. Shepard of Bridgeport by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 188.]

[97.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE THOMASTON WATER COMPANY
TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of a resolution incorporating the Thomaston Water Company, approved March 25, 1879, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said company shall be ten thousand dollars, with the privilege of increasing the same from time to time to one hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each, which shares shall be deemed personal property, transferable only on the books of the company as provided by the by-laws of the company, and shall be paid for in cash or its equivalent.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 7.]

[98.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE EAST HARTFORD
FIRE DISTRICT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of a resolution amending a resolution establishing the East Hartford Fire District, approved June 24, 1909, is amended to read as follows: That all electors of this state, inhabitants of the town of East Hartford and residing within the following limits: Bounded east by a line running north and south ten rods east of the old watering-trough on Burnside avenue, said line being marked by two merestones marked "E. H. F. D."; south by the Hockanum river; west by the line of the Meadow hill, from the Goodwin brook southerly to a point two hundred feet northerly of the intersection of the present boundary line between land of A. E. Olmsted and land of Rudolph Wiesner with the north line of Prospect street; thence westerly and southerly parallel to and one hundred and fifty feet from the northerly and westerly line of Prospect street to Connecticut boulevard; thence continuing southerly parallel to and one hundred and fifty feet westerly of the west line of South Prospect street to the intersection with the south line of Garvan street produced westerly; thence southerly parallel to and one hundred and twenty-five feet westerly from the center line of the trunk sewer of said district, as now located, to the Hockanum river; and north by the Goodwin brook, from the Meadow hill to the Springfield division of the New York and New England Railroad Company; thence southerly along the line of said company's land to the line between the land of William M. Stanley and land of W. G. and F. Comstock, said line being marked by two merestones marked "E. H. F. D."; thence east to School street; thence southerly along the line of said School street to land of said New York and New England Railroad Company; thence easterly along said railroad company's land to the eastern boundary line of said district, shall be a body politic and corporate in fact and in law by the name of The East Hartford Fire District; and by that name they and their successors shall and may have perpetual succession, and shall be a person in law capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all suits of whatsoever nature; and also of purchasing, holding and conveying any estate, real and personal; and may have a common seal which they may change and alter at pleasure; and its officers, elective and appointive, shall be governed and controlled by the recall, provisions of said recall to be prescribed by the by-laws and regulations as imposed by the voters in district meetings assembled; and may make, amend, alter or repeal by-laws appropriate or necessary to the full and complete enjoyment

of any of the powers hereinafter granted, and may provide for the imposing of penalties for failure to comply with such by-laws; and at any meeting duly warned and held for that purpose may amend, alter or repeal any by-law, rule or regulation, or change any act or appointment made by the commissioners of said district under the powers hereinafter granted. Said district shall be a borough and shall have all the powers now or hereafter conferred by the general statutes upon boroughs and, except as hereinafter provided, shall be subject to the duties, regulations and restrictions imposed upon boroughs by the general statutes; and all powers, privileges and duties already or hereafter granted to or imposed upon the warden and burgesses of any borough by the general statutes shall be had, enjoyed and performed by the board of commissioners of said district.

SEC. 2. Said act amending a resolution establishing The East Hartford Fire District, approved June 24, 1909, is amended by adding thereto the following: "Sec. 38. In addition to the powers and duties heretofore granted to and imposed upon The East Hartford Fire District, said district, for the purpose of defraying the cost and expense already incurred and hereafter to be incurred in constructing, enlarging, extending, maintaining, renewing and protecting a system or systems of water works for supplying its inhabitants and others with water for domestic and other uses as provided in its charter and amendments thereto, is hereby authorized, from time to time, to issue, sell or otherwise dispose of its notes, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness to such an amount and upon such terms and conditions as said district shall direct, provided the outstanding notes, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness authorized by this section shall not at any time exceed the sum of one million dollars, and provided all such bonds shall be serial in their time of payment and the number or amount of bonds to be paid each year shall be fixed by the district in its vote authorizing the issue of such bonds."

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of said district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 28.]

[99.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BRISTOL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section twenty-eight of article seven of the charter of the city of Bristol, approved July 25, 1911, is amended to read as follows: The city council shall have power to lay out, alter, extend or discontinue any highway or street within the limits of the city; and for that purpose to take any real estate or water course which may be required and to eliminate any water power, right of way or other easement which it may be necessary to eliminate, for the proper construction, alteration or extension of such highway; and to construct any new channel for any water course so taken or to make any necessary substitution or replacement for any other easement so taken and to take any real estate or easement therein which is necessary for the proper construction of such new channel or other substituted or replaced easement. Before laying out, altering or extending any highway or taking any real estate or easement therein for any of the above purposes, the city council shall cause a map to be prepared showing the proposed layout, alteration or extension and any new channel or substituted or replaced easement to be constructed, and showing the real estate to be affected thereby and so far as possible the ownership and boundaries of all such real estate, and the quantity and limits of the land to be taken from each owner, and shall give at least five days' notice in writing in the mode hereinafter specified as to notices of assessments, to the owners of all real estate to be affected, of a public hearing on such proposed public improvement, and of the time and place thereof and the time and place of such hearing, and so far as practicable before said hearing, shall offer an opportunity to all such owners to examine said map and at such time and place shall hear any objections or claims made by any such owners or their representatives, agents or attorneys. Whenever a street shall have been laid out, altered, extended or discontinued under the terms of the preceding section, or whenever the city council shall have ordered any other public improvement by which land or other property is taken for public use by right of eminent domain or special benefits are caused to property, or both, and no especial provision is made in the section under which such public improvement is ordered for the appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits, the city council shall, by itself or by a committee appointed by it therefor appraise the damages and assess the special benefits resulting from such improvement. Unless the damages and benefits so appraised and assessed shall be consented to in writing by the owner of the property affected, which written consent shall be filed with the city clerk, the city council or

its committee, shall, before finally adopting its appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits, give to such owners a public hearing and shall give to each of such owners at least five days' notice of the time and place of such hearing and of the sums proposed to be appraised as damages and assessed as benefits, or both, such notice to be given in the mode hereinafter specified as to notices of assessments. After such hearing the city council or its committee shall adopt a final report and file the same with the city clerk. The city clerk shall thereupon cause written notices to be served upon each owner of property affected by such appraisal or assessment of the amount awarded to him as damages, the amount assessed against him as special benefits and the net amount to be paid by the city to him or by him to the city as the case may be. Service of such notice shall be made by some civil officer, policeman of said city or indifferent person, by leaving a copy of such notice signed by the city clerk, with or at the usual place of abode of each such owner. Service on non-residents of the city of Bristol shall be by registered mail addressed to their last known place of abode. The person serving such notice shall make return of the manner and time of such service to the city clerk. Any owner of land or property taken for such public improvement and each person against whom special benefits have been assessed, who is aggrieved by said report, may appeal therefrom within one month from the service upon him of such notice. Such appeal shall be by writ and complaint served upon the mayor or city clerk at least twelve days before the return day, and shall be returnable to the court of common pleas for Hartford county on the next return day of said court or to the judge of said court on the first Tuesday of the next month after the expiration of the twelve days, if said court is in vacation on that day. The complaint shall recite the appraisal of damages and assessment of benefits made to the appellant, and allege that the amount to be paid by the city to the appellant is too small, or the amount to be paid by the appellant to the city is too large, as the case may be. Such appeal shall open both the appraisal of damages and the assessment of benefits to the appellant for review, although the appellant may have appealed from only one of said awards. Upon the return of said writ and complaint the court or judge shall appoint a committee of three disinterested persons, who, after being sworn and giving reasonable notice to the parties, shall appraise the damages and assess the special benefits and report to said court such appraisal and assessment, and the net sum to be paid by the city to the appellant or by the appellant to the city, as the case may be. Remonstrance may be made to the report of said committee for any legal error or irregularity in the performance of its duties; and if upon such remonstrance the report shall be rejected, the court shall appoint another committee; otherwise the report of the committee shall be accepted by the court or judge and shall have the effect of a judgment in favor of the party to whom the net payment is to be made, subject

to the provisions in regard to the time of payment hereinafter contained. Whenever the report of the city council or its committee of appraisal shall have been adopted and filed with the city clerk the city shall have the right to enter upon the land and construct the street or other public improvement, and its right so to proceed shall not be suspended by the bringing or pendency of an appeal. Upon the filing of such report the owner in favor of whom any appraisal has been made shall have the right to demand the net sum due to him under said award; but the acceptance of said sum shall be a waiver of his right to appeal. The right of any appellant to receive the sum awarded to him shall be suspended during the pendency of said appeal; but upon the acceptance of the committee report by the court or the judge the net sum adjudged to him shall immediately become due and payable. Said court or judge may tax such costs of such appeal in favor of either party as it may deem equitable. The amount of special benefits assessed against any person in excess of damages appraised to him shall be a debt from him to said city; but such debt shall not be due or collectible until the completion of such public improvement. When such improvement has been completed, the city council shall pass a resolution declaring that fact and thereupon such assessment shall be due and payable; and the city clerk shall give notice thereof, to every person against whom such benefits were assessed or their legal representatives in case of their death, in the manner herein provided for notice of assessment. Such net assessment shall be a lien upon the land against which it was assessed from and after the report of the city council or its committee of appraisal, which lien shall take priority over all other liens or encumbrances except taxes due to the state, except that no such lien shall remain in force for more than sixty days after the vote of the city council declaring the completion of the improvement, unless a certificate of lien shall, within said sixty days, be filed in the land records of said town. Such certificate shall describe the land covered by said lien and shall be indexed to the person against whom such assessment was made, and also to the present owner of the land, if a different person. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority vote of the electors of the city of Bristol at a meeting held for that purpose. If so approved at said meeting a certificate of such approval, signed by the city clerk of said Bristol, shall be filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 33.]

[100.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
WILLIMANTIC.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section nineteen of an act incorporating the city of Willimantic, approved June 30, 1893, as amended by an act amending the charter of the city of Willimantic, approved March 13, 1913, is hereby amended so that the last two sentences of said section shall read as follows: And said common council shall have the control and supervision of the public library belonging to said city, and may make such appropriations, from time to time, not to exceed twenty-five hundred dollars in any one year, from the treasury of said city, as they may deem necessary to replenish and support the same. They shall annually appoint a committee of seven of the residents of said city to manage said library for the ensuing year, and make all needful rules and regulations for the proper management of said library.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 510.]

[101.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CONNECTICUT
GENERAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Connecticut General Life Insurance Company, incorporated under resolution approved June 22, 1865, is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of five million dollars.

SEC. 2. This act shall become operative as an amendment to the charter of the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company if within one year after its approval it shall be accepted at a meeting of said corporation duly warned and held for that purpose and an attested copy of such acceptance filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 29.]

[102.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BRISTOL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section two of article one of the charter of the city of Bristol, approved July 25, 1911, is amended to read as follows: On and after said date the existence of the borough of Bristol shall cease; the town of Bristol shall continue to exist for the purpose of representation in the general assembly and said town shall also hold town meetings as hereinafter provided for the election of selectmen, a town clerk, six constables and registrars of voters, but said town shall elect no other officers and hold no other meetings. All other political and legal rights of said town and said borough, and all property, property rights and choses in action of any kind belonging to either the town of Bristol or the borough of Bristol shall pass to and be vested in the city of Bristol and said city of Bristol shall assume and be subject to all debts, contracts and obligations, of any kind, of either said town of Bristol or said borough of Bristol, but the debts and obligations of the borough of Bristol shall be a charge upon the property lying within the first taxing district and upon said property only.

SEC. 2. Immediately after the approval of this act the mayor, with the approval of the city council, shall appoint four constables who shall have the same powers and duties within the territorial limits of the city and town of Bristol as the constables elected by towns under authority of the general statutes. The constables appointed in accordance with this section shall hold office until the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November, 1922.

SEC. 3. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority vote of the electors of the city of Bristol at a meeting held for that purpose. If so approved at said meeting, a certificate of such approval signed by the city clerk of said Bristol shall be filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 30.]

[103.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BRISTOL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of an act amending the charter of the city of Bristol, approved May 12, 1915, is amended to read as follows:

Whenever voting machines shall be used at any election in the city of Bristol, the moderator at such election, as soon as the count is completed and ascertained, shall close and lock the counting compartments and seal the operating lever with a numbered metal seal, and the machine shall remain so locked for a period of not less than five days, anything in any other statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority vote of the electors of the city of Bristol at a meeting held for that purpose. If approved at such meeting a certificate of such approval signed by the city clerk of said Bristol shall be filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 34.]

[104.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT INCORPORATING THE
BOROUGH OF GROTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section fifteen of an act incorporating the borough of Groton, approved June 22, 1903, is amended to read as follows: The warden and burgesses shall have control of all sidewalks, crosswalks, streets and footpaths in the streets of the borough. They are empowered to lay out sidewalks, and establish their grade and curb lines and building lines; to designate what streets shall have sidewalks either on one or both sides, and to designate the kind of sidewalks to be constructed on any such street; to pass ordinances requiring the building of sidewalks, and the proper care of the same, and regarding the removal of ice, snow, rubbish, ash heaps, piles of lumber and other obstructions and encumbrances. Whenever the warden and burgesses shall lay out and construct a sidewalk on any street or streets, one-half of the expense therefor shall be paid by the borough and one-half shall be paid by the adjoining property owner or owners, who shall be assessed for the same, and in case any adjoining property owner or owners shall neglect or refuse to pay such assessment, the same shall be a debt and further shall be a lien upon such adjoining property and shall remain a lien thereon in favor of said borough until paid, which lien shall take precedence of all other liens and encumbrances on said property, except prior liens for taxes and other prior public liens, and the payment thereof may be enforced by said borough in a civil action in the name of the treasurer of said borough, or by any other remedy subscribed by law for the collection of taxes, provided that such lien shall not be good for a longer period than ninety days after the time fixed for payment

thereof, unless a certificate in writing signed by the warden or treasurer of said borough, describing said adjoining property, the amount claimed as a lien, the date of the ordinance requiring the sidewalk to be built, and the date fixed for the payment of such assessment shall be lodged with the clerk of the town of Groton. The warden and burgesses shall make such assessments and order the same paid, and cause reasonable notice to be given to such adjoining property owner or owners of the time and place for the payment of such assessments. Such notice shall be deemed reasonable if advertised in a daily newspaper having a circulation in said borough, and left at least five days before the day of hearing with or at the usual place of abode of such person if a resident of the town of Groton, and in case of non-residents of the town of Groton, at the place of abode of, or with the person occupying or having charge of such property, and in case of any corporation or association, at its known office or place of business or with its authorized business agent. Whenever the warden or burgesses shall require by ordinance that the sidewalks shall be cleared of ice or snow, and the owners of adjoining property shall fail, neglect or refuse to clear the same, within the time and in the manner required by such ordinance, then the warden and burgesses, or other proper officer, shall cause such snow and ice to be removed, and the cost of such removal and such fine as the warden and burgesses may by ordinance impose shall be and remain a lien upon the adjoining property and the amount of such lien may be collected in the same manner as is provided herein for collection of a lien for neglect to build sidewalks.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 304.]

[105.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT DIVIDING THE TOWN OF BRANFORD
INTO VOTING DISTRICTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. An act dividing the town of Branford into voting districts, approved July 15, 1874, is amended to read as follows: The town of Branford is divided into three voting districts for the accommodation of the legal voters therein at town and electors' meetings, as follows: The second voting district shall comprise that portion of said town which lies easterly and southerly of a line commencing at a point near the east abutment of the dyke at Long Marsh creek, a short distance westerly of the dwelling house of Grace Vedder; and thence running northerly between the dwelling houses of Jerome Baldwin and Gilbert Bush, to the old sawmill dam at the head of Pine Brook

creek; thence running northerly a little to the eastward of the dwelling house of John Darby, deceased, to a point thirty rods westerly and twenty rods northerly of the center of the highway leading past the dwelling house formerly owned by Oliver B. Hall, and thence running due east twenty rods from the north line of said Hall's dwelling house in said Branford, to the dividing line between the towns of Guilford and Branford. The third voting district shall comprise that portion of said town which lies southerly and westerly of a line commencing at a point where the southwesterly line of the upland now owned by Willie Lee Inman is bounded by Long Island sound, and thence running in a northwesterly direction, and in a straight line, crossing the Short Beach road and the Alps road and running to a point in the boundary line of property now owned by J. Harry Barker, property now owned by William Harrison and property now owned by Edward Lynch; and from said point the line runs in a southwesterly direction to the easterly fork of what is known as Spink's creek, and thence following said creek to the boundary line between the towns of East Haven and Branford. The first voting district shall comprise all the rest and residue of said town.

SEC. 2. At the annual meetings of said town for the choice of town officers, the ballot boxes shall be opened in each voting district at six o'clock in the forenoon and shall be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon, and at any electors' meeting, the ballot boxes in each district shall be opened at six o'clock in the forenoon and shall be closed at five o'clock in the afternoon, unless otherwise directed by a vote of said town, at a town meeting duly and legally warned for that purpose. At all town meetings held for the choice of town officers, the selectmen in addition to the notice now required by law, shall give notice of the time and place where the ballot boxes will be open for the reception of votes, and at what time the same will be closed.

SEC. 3. The selectmen shall provide suitable ballot boxes for each of said districts. The place of voting shall be, in the first district, in the town hall; in the second district, such convenient place in the village of Stony Creek, near the depot of the Shore Line Railroad Company, as shall be procured by the selectmen for that purpose, and in the third district, such convenient place in the village of Short Beach, near the center, as shall be procured by the selectmen.

SEC. 4. The registrars of voters of said town shall, at least one week before the date of any annual town meeting or of any electors' meeting, prepare a list for each voting district, as nearly perfect as possible, of the names of all the persons entitled to vote in each of said districts, and shall certify that said lists are correct. The presiding officer of each district shall receive the ballots of all persons whose names are on the list prepared by the registrars, unless the right of such person to vote at such meeting is challenged. If any person whose name is not on said list shall offer to vote in any of said districts,

the presiding officer of said district may receive such vote if he shall be satisfied upon examination that the person offering to vote is a legal voter of said town and is entitled to vote in said district. Each presiding officer shall keep a list of all such persons so permitted to vote and return same to the town clerk.

SEC. 5. For the year 1921, the registrars of voters of said town shall appoint assistant registrars of voters for said third voting district, as provided in section 541 of the general statutes, but at the annual town meeting to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921, and at its annual town meetings thereafter, two registrars of voters shall be elected for each district. No person shall vote for more than one registrar for each voting district, and the person having the highest number of votes, and the person who has the next highest number of votes for registrar, who does not belong to the same political party as the first, shall be declared elected registrars of voters, and they shall hold office for one year from the first Monday of the succeeding January.

SEC. 6. Presiding officers, counters, challengers, booth tenders and all election officials shall be appointed for the said districts by the registrars of voters as by law directed.

SEC. 7. The assistant presiding officers in the second and third voting districts shall, after the ballots in their respective districts are counted, make a true certificate, together with the votes received, and the list of voters as checked, to the presiding officer of the first district; and thereupon said presiding officer of the first district, after having ascertained the result of the ballots in the whole town as given in the several districts as aforesaid, shall declare the same in open meeting, and shall make the return thereof as the law directs.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 660.]

[106.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BOROUGH
COURT OF WALLINGFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section twenty of an act establishing the borough court of Wallingford, approved February 23, 1886, as amended by an act approved April 19, 1905, and by an act approved May 8, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of nine hundred dollars per annum and one hundred dollars per annum additional for clerical services and the deputy judge a salary of two hundred dollars per annum; the salary of the prosecuting attorney shall be nine hundred dollars per annum and the salary of the assistant prosecuting

attorney shall be one hundred dollars. The salaries provided in this section shall be in lieu of all fees for the services of said officers arising from the proceedings in said court, and shall be paid quarterly from the treasury of said borough, upon the order of the judge of said court.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 217.]

[107.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERBURY TO ISSUE
STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Waterbury is authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, to be signed by the mayor and countersigned by its city clerk, to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, in the aggregate, and bearing a rate of interest not exceeding five per centum per annum. Said bonds shall bear such date as the board of aldermen of said city shall determine, and shall be for the amount of one thousand dollars each, and it may be stipulated therein that the principal and interest shall be payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness. The principal of said bonds shall be paid within ten years from the date thereof, and both principal and interest shall be payable at such place as the board of aldermen of said city shall designate.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be called "Street Improvement Bonds of the City of Waterbury, Series 1921." The board of aldermen of said city shall designate the amount of such bonds that said city shall issue, not exceeding the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, and shall prescribe the form of said bonds, whether with coupons or otherwise, and registered or not registered, and shall determine the place and manner of payment, and fix the rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, advertise for proposals or bids for such portions of said bonds as it shall have before that time designated to be issued at said date, said proposals to be under seal and opened in public by said board of aldermen at some time and place by it appointed.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form and payable in equal amounts of fifty thousand dollars each, from year to year, beginning one year after their date, and commencing with bond number one shall be paid as consecutively numbered within a period not exceeding ten years from the date of their issue.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said city, and upon the inhabitants thereof in the same manner as debts lawfully contracted by municipal corporations in this state according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 5. The proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to and received by the treasurer of said city, and shall be expended under the direction of the board of aldermen and board of commissioners of public works only for the purpose of paving, surface hardening and otherwise permanently improving any of the streets or highways in the city of Waterbury.

SEC. 6. The several numbers and denominations of bonds redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said city by the city clerk, and each year the bonds redeemed shall be destroyed by the treasurer in the presence of the mayor, city clerk and comptroller of said city, who, with the treasurer, after the burning of said bonds, shall sign a certificate upon the records of the city that they were present and saw such bonds destroyed by burning, giving the serial numbers of the same.

SEC. 7. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 19.]

[108.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF TORRINGTON TO ISSUE
FLOATING DEBT BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Torrington is authorized to issue bonds, from time to time, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate five hundred thousand dollars, which bonds shall mature serially, shall be registered or with coupons attached and shall bear interest at a rate not greater than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. The principal of such bonds shall be payable at said town not more than twenty years from the date thereof. Such bonds shall be denominated "Floating Debt Bonds of the Town of Torrington" and the avails thereof shall be expended by the selectmen to pay any floating indebtedness of said town, and for no other purpose.

SEC. 2. The selectmen and the treasurer of said town shall, subject to the foregoing limitations, determine the form of such bonds, the several and aggregate amounts thereof, the manner of signing and

countersigning and the terms of negotiating, selling, exchanging or otherwise disposing of such bonds, and shall execute, negotiate and deliver the same on behalf of said town; and when so issued and delivered such bonds shall be obligatory upon said town and upon all the inhabitants and property thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 3. The interest on all bonds issued under authority of the provisions of this act and an amount sufficient to pay the principal of such bonds at maturity shall be an annual expense and fixed charge of said town, and shall be entered in the budget of said town prepared by the selectmen as required by law as a basis for taxation.

SEC. 4. The selectmen of said town shall designate in writing, to be filed in the office of the town clerk of said town, a trust company incorporated under the laws of this state, to act as register of such bonds. Said selectmen shall, on or before the first days of January and July in each year, draw their order on the treasurer of said town in such amount as may be necessary to pay all interest charges due on such bonds and the principal of any such bonds which shall mature.

SEC. 5. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 163.]

[109.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BRISTOL TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Bristol is hereby authorized to issue its bonds, bearing interest at a rate not greater than five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. Said bonds shall be issued only in conformity with a vote of the legal voters of said city at a meeting duly warned and held, which vote shall, subject to the foregoing limitations, specify the aggregate amount of said bonds, the time or times of payment, the denomination or denominations thereof, the rate of interest which they shall bear, the place or places of payment thereof, the officers of the city by whom they shall be signed, and the manner of disposing of said bonds. The city council may by vote provide for a sinking fund which shall be held and used to retire said bonds at their maturity.

SEC. 2. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

SEC. 3. Any provision of section two of the charter of the city of Bristol, approved July 25, 1911, inconsistent herewith, is hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority vote of the electors of the city of Bristol at a meeting held for that purpose. If so approved at such meeting, a certificate of such approval, signed by the city clerk of said Bristol, shall be filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 215.]

[110.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERBURY TO ISSUE
PARK BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Waterbury is hereby authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, to be signed by its mayor and countersigned by its city clerk, to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars in the aggregate and bearing a rate of interest not exceeding five per centum per annum. Said bonds shall bear such date as the board of aldermen of said city shall determine, and shall be for the amount of one thousand dollars each, and it may be stipulated therein that the principal and interest shall be payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness. The principal of said bonds shall be paid within ten years from the date thereof, and both principal and interest shall be payable at such place as the board of aldermen of said city shall designate.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be called "Park Bonds of The City of Waterbury, Series of 1921." The board of aldermen of said city shall designate the amount of such bonds that said city shall issue, not exceeding the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and shall prescribe the form of said bonds, whether with coupons or otherwise, and registered or not registered, and shall determine the place and manner of payment, and fix the rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, advertise for proposals or bids for such portions of said bonds as it shall have before that time designated to be issued at said date, said proposals to be under seal and opened

in public by said board of aldermen at some time and place by it appointed.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form and payable in equal amounts of fifteen thousand dollars each, from year to year, beginning one year after their date, and commencing with bond number one, shall be paid as consecutively numbered within a period not exceeding ten years from the date of their issue.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said city, and upon the inhabitants thereof in the same manner as debts lawfully contracted by municipal corporations in this state according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 5. The proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to and received by the treasurer of said city, and shall be expended under the direction of the board of aldermen and board of commissioners of public works only for the purpose of improving and developing parks in the city of Waterbury.

SEC. 6. The several numbers and denominations of bonds redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said city by the city clerk, and each year the bonds redeemed shall be destroyed by the treasurer in the presence of the mayor, city clerk and comptroller of said city, who, with the treasurer, after the burning of said bonds, shall sign a certificate upon the records of the city that they were present and saw such bonds destroyed by burning, giving the serial numbers of the same.

SEC. 7. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 216.]

[111.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERBURY TO ISSUE
STORM WATER DRAINAGE BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Waterbury is authorize to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, to be signed by its mayor and countersigned by its city clerk, to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, in the aggregate, and bearing a rate of interest not exceeding five per centum per annum. Said bonds shall bear such date as the board of aldermen of said city shall determine, and shall be for the amount of one thousand dollars each, and it may be stipulated

therein that the principal and interest shall be payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness. The principal of said bonds shall be paid within twenty years from the date thereof, and both principal and interest shall be payable at such place as the board of aldermen of said city shall designate.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be called "Storm Water Drainage Bonds of the City of Waterbury, Series 1921." The board of aldermen of said city shall designate the amount of such bonds that said city shall issue, not exceeding the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and shall prescribe the form of said bonds, whether with coupons or otherwise, and registered or not registered, and shall determine the place and manner of payment, and fix the rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, advertise for proposals or bids for such portions of said bonds as it shall have before that time designated to be issued at said date, said proposals to be under seal and opened in public by said board of aldermen at some time and place by it appointed.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form and payable in equal amounts of five thousand dollars each from year to year beginning one year after date and commencing with bond number one shall be paid as consecutively numbered within a period not exceeding twenty years from date of their issue.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said city, and upon the inhabitants thereof in the same manner as debts lawfully contracted by municipal corporations in this state according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 5. The proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to and received by the treasurer of said city, and shall be expended under the direction of the board of aldermen and board of commissioners of public works only for the installation of storm water drainage conduits and brook channels in the city of Waterbury.

SEC. 6. The several numbers and denominations of bonds redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said city by the city clerk, and each year the bonds redeemed shall be destroyed by the treasurer in the presence of the mayor, city clerk and comptroller of said city, who, with the treasurer, after the burning of said bonds, shall sign a certificate upon the records of the city that they were present and saw such bonds destroyed by burning, giving the serial numbers of the same.

SEC. 7. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 471.]

[112.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
TO ISSUE BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Bridgeport is authorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding two million seven hundred thousand dollars, which bonds shall be denominated "School Bonds, Series D," and the avails thereof when sold, as hereinafter authorized, shall be applied in the manner provided by the charter of said city, for the purchase of school sites, and the construction and equipment of school buildings and school grounds in the city of Bridgeport; provided, of the amount so authorized, not more than one million three hundred fifty thousand dollars shall be expended in the year 1921.

SEC. 2. Such bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars each. They shall be issued in serial form payable as consecutively numbered, in such equal amounts each year, beginning one year after their date, that the whole amount thereof shall be paid within a time not exceeding thirty years from date.

SEC. 3. Such bonds shall bear interest at such rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, as shall be determined by vote of the common council of said city. Such bonds shall be of such form, with coupons or otherwise, and registered or not registered as said common council may determine; they shall be signed by the mayor, treasurer and city auditor of said city and may be sold from time to time at not less than par; and, when issued as aforesaid, shall be obligatory on said city of Bridgeport according to their tenor and purport, and the collection thereof may be enforced in the same manner and to the same extent as in the case of debts lawfully contracted by municipal corporations.

SEC. 4. Such bonds may be issued from time to time whenever the common council of the city of Bridgeport, in legal meeting assembled, by a vote of a majority of the members of said council, with the approval of the mayor, as provided in the charter of said city, shall, by resolution, vote to issue such bonds.

SEC. 5. The resolution for the issuance of such bonds shall describe the form, the rate of interest and the amount of each bond, the date of issue and maturity, whether serial or otherwise, the manner in which they shall be issued, whether the same shall be with coupons or otherwise, and whether registered or not registered. No such bonds shall become legal obligations of the city until they have been signed by the mayor, treasurer and city auditor of said city, nor shall any such bond

be sold at less than par. The manner and terms of sale of such bonds shall be determined by the mayor, treasurer and city auditor, acting as a committee for that purpose.

SEC. 6. The board of apportionment and taxation of said city shall provide for the payment of the interest upon such bonds as such interest becomes due, and shall also provide for the payment and cancellation of those bonds which in any year are required to be paid.

SEC. 7. The serial numbers of said bonds redeemed, shall be destroyed in such manner as the common council may provide.

SEC. 8. Nothing herein contained is to be construed to require that the whole amount of such bonds shall be issued, or to prevent the common council from issuing such bonds in amounts less than the total authorized issue from time to time as circumstances may require.

SEC. 9. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 97.]

[113.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORWICH
TO ISSUE BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Norwich is authorized to issue bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five and one-half per centum per annum. Such bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness shall not be issued at less than par, shall be serial in form and mature and become payable within a period of not more than thirty years from their date of issue. The avails thereof shall be expended by the court of common council of said city in the permanent improvement of the existing streets and highways of said city. No part of the avails of said bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness shall be issued or expended for the repair and maintenance of the streets of said city.

SEC. 2. The court of common council of said city shall prescribe, subject to the limitations contained in this act, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness, the form of the same, the rate of interest to be paid thereon, not exceeding the amount aforesaid, and the times when and place where such interest and principal shall be paid, and said court of common council is authorized

to provide for the sale or negotiation of such bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness provided none of the bonds, notes, or certificates of indebtedness herein authorized shall be sold or negotiated in excess of fifty thousand dollars in any one fiscal year of the city. Such bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness shall be signed by the mayor, countersigned by the treasurer and sealed with the seal of said city.

SEC. 3. The court of common council shall determine what streets, avenues and public ways shall be permanently improved under the provisions of this act and shall cause the same to be constructed and the materials required therefor to be furnished and all costs and charges for labor, material and other expense shall be paid from the avails of said bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness.

SEC. 4. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, April 13, 1921.

[House Bill No. 346.]

[114.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE COMPLETION OF
THE WORKS OF THE YALESVILLE WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time within which The Yalesville Water Company, a corporation organized under the provisions of a resolution approved September 1, 1909, may build its works and exercise the privileges granted in its charter, is extended to January 1, 1923.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 51.]

[115.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE
GLASTONBURY GAS COMPANY MAY
ORGANIZE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time within which The Glastonbury Gas Company, incorporated by an act approved April 10, 1919, may organize and may certify such organization is extended until the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 124.]

[116.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF FINANCE
IN THE TOWN OF HAMDEN AND INCREASING THE
POWERS OF THE SELECTMEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of an act creating a board of finance in the town of Hamden and increasing the powers of the selectmen, approved June 3, 1903, as amended by an act approved May 12, 1905, and an act approved June 6, 1913, and an act approved May 12, 1915, is amended to read as follows: The board of selectmen shall appoint a clerk who shall be the clerk of said board of finance and of the board of selectmen. It shall be his duty to keep a record of all votes and other proceedings at meetings of said boards, and he shall be the custodian of all books, papers and documents belonging to said board of finance or said board of selectmen. He shall draw all orders on the treasurer of the town for the payment of money authorized by the selectmen and cause the same to be properly signed, and shall countersign the same. All books, papers and documents kept by said clerk shall be open to the inspection of any inhabitant of said town at any reasonable time. He shall publish and serve such notices as may be required by said boards and may issue certified copies of any order, rule or regulation authorized by said selectmen. It shall be his duty to transmit any order issued by said board of selectmen to the person for whom intended, and he shall keep records of all rules and regulations adopted by said board under the provisions of this act. He shall perform such other duties incident to his office as the board of finance or the board of selectmen shall direct. He shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties and shall give such bond and receive such compensation as the selectmen shall prescribe.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 256.]

[117.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE WILLINGTON
CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Willington Cemetery Association, a corporation organized and existing under the provisions of the general statutes, is hereby authorized. in addition to the rights and powers now possessed and exercised

by said association, to assume and exercise the management, control and care of the cemetery property, and burial lots therein, of the Moose Meadow cemetery situated in the town of Willington.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 351.]

[118.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF
THE THOMPSON HILL WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time for the organization of The Thompson Hill Water Company and for certifying such organization is extended until the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 189.]

[119.]

AN ACT AMENDING A RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE
FARMINGTON WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of a resolution incorporating the Farmington Water Company, approved March 28, 1895, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock shall be fifty thousand dollars, and may be increased from time to time to the sum of sixty thousand dollars, divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each. Said stock when issued shall be paid for in cash or its equivalent.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 594.]

[120.]

AN ACT VALIDATING CERTAIN ACTS OF THE CITY OF NEW
BRITAIN CONCERNING TAXATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The several taxes amounting in the whole to twenty-two mills on the ratable estate and property within the second taxing district of the city of New Britain and to nineteen and one-tenth mills on said estate and

property which is within the first taxing district, but not in the second taxing district, of said city laid on the grand list of said city of October 1, 1920, payable July 1, 1921, are validated and confirmed.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 188.]

[121.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
CONCERNING THE POWERS OF THE BOARD OF
WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section twenty-five of a resolution to alter the charter of the city of Hartford, and to combine sundry public statutes relating thereto, approved June 24, 1859, as amended by an act amending the charter of the city of Hartford concerning the powers of the board of water commissioners, approved May 14, 1913, is amended to read as follows: Said commissioners shall be empowered to make use of the ground or soil under any road, railroad, highway, street, private way, lane or alley within this state, for the purpose of constructing the waterworks; but shall in all such cases cause the surface of such road, railroad, highway, street, private way, lane or alley, to be restored to its usual condition, and all damages done thereto to be repaired, and all damages sustained by any person or corporation in consequence of the interruption of travel, to be paid to such person or corporation. It shall be the duty of the court of common council of said city to make ordinances, prescribing the duties of the board of water commissioners not expressly prescribed in the charter of said city, their powers over the water fund of the city of Hartford and duties relative thereto, the officers of said board and their compensation, and bonds and oaths, and the powers of said board over the water works of said city, and the mode in which all charges for water, including amounts guaranteed on new water mains, the cost of laying water mains in streets or highways and the cost of laying or replacing service pipes upon public or private property, or taxes, shall be collected by assessment upon the lands and buildings benefited thereby or otherwise, and shall be secured by lien on lots, houses or tenements or otherwise, also relative to the number of said commissioners to constitute a quorum.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 444.]

[122.]

AN ACT PROVIDING A NEW CHARTER FOR THE SHORT BEACH
IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION UNDER THE NAME
OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION OF SHORT
BEACH, CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All of the owners of cottages and dwellings within the limits hereinafter specified in the locality known as Short Beach in the town of Branford, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Civic Association of Short Beach, Connecticut, and by that name they and their successors shall be a corporation capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, in all courts of whatever nature, and also of purchasing, leasing, receiving by gift, devise or bequest, holding and conveying any estate, real or personal; and shall have a common seal, with the privilege of altering it at pleasure; and shall be vested with and possess the powers hereinafter specified.

SEC. 2. The object of this association is to provide protection for the property, health and morals of the inhabitants of said district, the promotion of order therein, the improvement of the property in said district and the comfort and convenience of persons living therein.

SEC. 3. The limits of the territory of said association are defined and established as follows: All that territory in said town of Branford on the shore of Long Island sound, commencing at Page's cove bridge, thence running due north five hundred feet, thence westerly in a straight line to a point in the division line of lands now owned by Emma S. Bradley and Caroline A. Altmannsberger, which point is one hundred feet easterly and southerly on said division line from Clark avenue, thence northerly and westerly on said division line to said Clark avenue, thence northerly and westerly in a straight line passing through the point of intersection of the most northerly point of the upland now owned by Truman H. Bristol and the meadow just north of the same to Farm river, thence southerly by low-water line of said river to the Gut, thence easterly by low-water line to Page's cove, thence northerly by low-water line to place of beginning.

SEC. 4. All electors of this state now owning a cottage or dwelling within said limits, and all electors of this state who shall own any cottage or dwelling within said limits, shall be freemen of said The Civic Association of Short Beach, Connecticut, and entitled to vote in any meeting of such freemen, and shall be eligible to any office provided for in this act. If the owner of any cottage or dwelling within said limits shall not

be an elector of this state, then such owner may select and appoint by proxy some person who shall be an elector of this state to act instead of and for said owner.

SEC. 5. The first meeting of the freemen of said corporation shall be held on the last Friday evening in July, 1921, at the chapel at said Short Beach for the purpose of electing an executive board to consist of nine freemen of said association who shall hold office as hereinafter specified and until others shall be chosen in their places, unless they shall sooner sell their property, or remove from the limits of said association, three members of which board so elected shall hold office for one year from the first day of August next succeeding, three members of which board shall hold office for two years from the first day of August next succeeding, and three members of which board shall hold office for three years from the first day of August next succeeding. At each annual meeting after the year 1921 there shall be three members of said board elected for three years from the first day of August next succeeding. Annual meetings thereafter shall be held on the last Friday evening of July of each year, at such place as the executive board shall direct and warn.

SEC. 6. Charles H. DeForest, Dr. Frank P. Roberts, Harry Killam, Charles Gay, Charles J. Lehr and John W. Knopwood or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority to warn the first meeting of the freemen of said association for the purpose of electing nine freemen to form an executive board, which warning shall be written or printed, signed by a majority of said board, and two copies at least posted in public places in each of the localities known as the Short Beach post-office and the chapel, at least six days before such meeting, and notice of the same sent by mail to each cottage owner in said territory; and either one of such committee may call the meeting to order and lead the same to a choice of a moderator or clerk, or, in the absence of any motion to elect a moderator, he may lead such meeting to the choice of a clerk and the election of an executive board. All subsequent meetings, annual or special, shall be warned by said executive board in the manner by them prescribed in rules or by-laws made by said board.

SEC. 7. Any vacancy in said board occurring by death, resignation or removal from said limits or otherwise may be filled by the majority of the remaining members, and such member so appointed shall hold office until the next annual meeting of said association, at which annual meeting said association shall elect a member to hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

SEC. 8. The executive board shall hold its first regular meeting in the year 1921 on the evening of the first Monday in August next following the annual meeting of the association and notice of the time and place of meeting shall be given by the clerk of the association by leaving with or at the usual place of abode of each member a written notice signed by said clerk, specifying the time and place of such meeting, or by sending such notices by mail at least twenty-four hours before said meeting

or verbally. A majority of said executive board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting thereof. And said board shall elect by ballot from its own members a president, vice-president, treasurer and clerk of said association, who shall hold office until the first day of August, 1922, or until their successors shall be appointed and they shall also be president, vice-president, treasurer and clerk of said executive board. The duties of each of these officers shall be as defined by the by-laws of said association. It shall be the duty of such president or clerk on the signed written request of any three members of said board to call a meeting of said board.

SEC. 9. The executive board shall have the care, custody and management of all funds and property of said association, and, when assembled according to law, shall have power to make regulations for the management and control of such property and its transfer and conveyance; also to make regulations concerning the time and place of meetings of said executive board and of said association, so far as they are not inconsistent with any of the special provisions of this act, also to regulate the method of assessment and collection of assessments for association purposes, and to fix the time when such assessments become due and payable; also to prescribe the duties and compensation of all officers and employees of said association. The president, vice-president and treasurer shall serve without compensation except that they shall receive their actual expenses.

SEC. 10. Said executive board shall possess power, when legally assembled, to pass, amend or repeal by-laws, regulations and ordinances to accomplish the objects specified in section two of this act, and particularly for the purposes of assisting the fire department and for the fire apparatus; to construct and maintain piers and docks and regulate the use thereof; to provide parks and to regulate the use thereof, and to provide for the drainage thereof; to regulate the erection of all lamp posts, telegraph, telephone and electric light poles and the wires and fixtures thereof; to provide for the public lighting and watering of the streets; to regulate the planting, removal, protection and preservation of trees in the streets; to keep the streets and all public places within the limits of said association quiet from all undue noise, and to prohibit the crying of newspapers and other wares on Sunday or at any unusual hours upon the streets of said association; to regulate the running at large of animals in said district; to preserve peace and order; to prevent vice, immorality and indecency; to suppress gambling houses; houses of ill-fame, houses resorted to for the purposes of prostitution and lewdness, and disorderly houses; to prevent assemblages of persons on the sidewalks to the obstruction, hindrance or annoyance of the public; to prevent and summarily abate every kind of nuisance and public annoyance; to regulate the use and construction of cesspools, septic tanks, drains, sewers and privies, and the place and method of discharge of the same; to regulate and prevent the use of pigpens and the deposit of night-soil,

filth, garbage, ashes or rubbish within the limits of said association; to compel the removal from any place in said association of all nuisances injurious to health or offensive or annoying to the public, at the expense of the owner of the premises where such nuisance exists; to prevent and regulate the removal and the manner of removal of any offensive manure, swill, night-soil or other substance upon the streets within the limits of said association; to prevent and regulate the carrying on within said association limits of any business prejudicial to the public health or dangerous to or constituting an unreasonable annoyance to those living or owning property in the vicinity thereof; to regulate the naming of the public streets; to regulate traffic and the parking of motor vehicles and other vehicles upon the streets within the limits of said association. And said executive board may also prescribe fines and penalties for a violation of any such by-laws, ordinances or regulations, not exceeding twenty-five dollars for any one offense, and the penalties may be recovered, in any proper action brought for that purpose in the name of The Civic Association of Short Beach, Connecticut, before any court having jurisdiction, for the use and benefit of said association; and the violation of any of the said by-laws or ordinances imposing a fine may be prosecuted by a grand juror or prosecuting attorney of the town of Branford as in other criminal cases.

SEC. 11. The executive board shall have control of all sidewalks, crosswalks and footpaths in the streets of said association, but not of the construction and repairs of the highway. It is also empowered to lay out sidewalks, establish their grade and curb lines; to designate what streets shall have sidewalks constructed thereon, to pass ordinances requiring the building of sidewalks and the proper care of the same, and regarding the removal of ice, snow, rubbish, ash heaps, piles of lumber and other obstructions and incumbrances. Whenever the executive board shall lay out and construct any sidewalk on any street, the adjoining property, or the owner thereof, shall be assessed for one-half the cost of the same; and in case any adjoining property, or the owner thereof, shall refuse to pay such assessment, it shall be and remain a lien or real incumbrance on said property in favor of said association, and the payment thereof may be enforced by said association in a civil action in the name of the treasurer of said association, or by foreclosure, or by any other proper remedy; provided such lien shall not be good for a longer period than sixty days after such assessment or lien shall be made unless a certificate in writing, made and signed by the president or treasurer of said association, describing the premises, the amount claimed as a lien, the date of the ordinance requiring the sidewalk to be built, the date of the completion of the sidewalk by said association, and the date of the assessment thereof, shall be lodged with the town clerk of Branford. Whenever the executive board shall require, by ordinance, that any sidewalk be cleared of ice and snow, and the owners of adjoining property shall fail to clear the same within the time and in the

manner required by said ordinance, then the executive board or other proper officer or authority shall cause such snow or ice to be removed, and the cost of such removal, and such fine as the executive board may by ordinance impose, shall be and remain a lien upon the adjoining property, and may be collected in the same manner as is provided herein in case of neglect to build a sidewalk.

SEC. 12. Any party that may be aggrieved by any order of the executive board requiring the construction of any sidewalk, or the payment of any part of the expense thereof, may appeal therefrom in the manner prescribed in sections 475, 476, 477 and 478 of the general statutes, and with like effect.

SEC. 13. Said executive board may appoint police officers, to act within the limits of said association, who shall have all the powers of constables in said district for the purpose of making arrests for violation of law or of the by-laws, regulations and ordinances of said association, and said executive board may fix the compensation of such police officers.

SEC. 14. Said executive board shall establish a public signpost within the limits of said association, and may make, establish and adopt forms of orders and notices to be used under this act.

SEC. 15. No by-law or ordinance shall take effect or be enforced until the same has been posted at least three days on the public sign-post of said association; nor shall any by-law or ordinance take effect until fifteen days after its passage. A certificate of the clerk of said association of the due posting of any by-law or ordinance shall be prima facie evidence of such posting.

SEC. 16. Said executive board shall have authority to employ one or more persons to remove all garbage, filth, night-soil, ashes and other refuse matter within said limits, and authorize such person to make entry on any public or private property within said limits, outside of any dwelling house, store, hotel or restaurant, and take and remove all filth, garbage, ashes and night-soil, or other offensive matter. Said executive board shall have authority to provide for the lighting of the streets or highways within said territory by contracting therefor with any person or corporation having authority to furnish light for such purpose, and shall in such manner cause said streets and highways, or such portion of the same as they shall in their discretion deem necessary, to be lighted in the manner aforesaid. Said executive board shall also have authority to give such aid and financial assistance to The Short Beach Hose, Hook and Ladder Company as said board deems necessary. Said executive board shall also have authority to remove snow from the paths and streets of said association for public comfort and convenience and to employ and pay for suitable police protection and incur and pay for any other expenses necessary to the enforcement or carrying out of any of the terms of this act. And said board may assess and apportion the expense and cost of all matters herein authorized among all the cottage, dwelling house and hotel owners

and owners of other buildings within said limits, provided said board may, in its discretion, or shall, after a vote to that effect has been passed by a majority of the members of the association present at any annual meeting or special meeting called therefor, assess any building having out-houses or privies which render night-soil removal service necessary or expedient in the opinion of said board, a greater sum than those which do not require such service and provided no one building shall be assessed to exceed twelve dollars for all purposes in any one year except that any hotel, boarding house or other building having a greater amount of garbage or night-soil than any single family private residence, may be assessed by said board a sum not exceeding twenty-one dollars and fifty cents. Said board may collect all such assessments from the several owners of said properties by suit at law, if need be, in the name of said corporation, or may file a lien upon any property upon which any such assessment has been made at any time within one year after said assessment has become due and payable. Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the right of said board to assess the special assessments provided for in section eleven of this act against the adjoining property or owners thereof in addition to the sums fixed by this section as the limits for assessments in any one year.

SEC. 17. Upon the petition of not less than twenty freemen of said association filed with the clerk of said association it shall be the duty of the president of the association to call a special meeting of the association to be held not later than ten days after said petition is so filed with said clerk, for the purpose of discussing and considering any matters of interest to the association named in said petition. Said meeting may make such recommendations to the executive board in regard to such matters as may be deemed proper.

SEC. 18. The resolution incorporating The Short Beach Improvement Association, approved March 28, 1895, is repealed.

SEC. 19. This act shall take effect on the last Friday of July, 1921, except such provisions hereof as would fail of full force if not in effect prior to that time, which provisions shall take effect on the approval of this act.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 82.]

[123.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
ABRAHAM WIEBER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Abraham Wieber of Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 276.]

[124.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE DANBURY AND
BETHEL STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The authority given to The Danbury and Bethel Horse Railway Company to extend, build, lay down and complete its track and road bed with proper and convenient turn-outs, switches and connections from a point at the intersection of its present line near the corner of West and Division streets, in the city of Danbury, and running thence westerly over the Mill Plain road, or Lake avenue, to some convenient point near Lake Kenosha, all of said road being within the town and city of Danbury, under an act approved June 5, 1889, which right was revived, renewed, regranted, continued and extended to The Danbury and Bethel Street Railway Company by an act approved May 3, 1895, is revived, renewed, regranted, continued and extended, provided said company shall construct and complete said extension within two years from the date of the passage of this act.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 532.]

[125.]

**AN ACT VALIDATING CERTAIN DEEDS FROM THE PHILADELPHIA
TRUST, SAFE DEPOSIT AND INSURANCE COMPANY
OF PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, TRUSTEE
UNDER THE WILL OF F. RATCHFORD STARR.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The several deeds made and executed by The Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, trustee under the will of F. Ratchford Starr, late of the town of Litchfield, deceased, conveying property situated in said Litchfield, viz. ; the deed to Anne L. T. Trumbull, dated November 30, 1892, and recorded in the land records of the town of Litchfield in book 75 at pages 21, 22 and 23 ; the deed to said Anne L. T. Trumbull dated March 9, 1897, recorded in said land records in book 75 at pages 280, 281 and 282 ; the deed to Louise C. MacLaren dated September 6, 1893, recorded in said land records in book 75 at pages 77, 78 and 79 ; the deed to said Louise C. MacLaren dated March 27, 1895, recorded in said land records in book 75 at pages 159 and 160 ; the deed to said Louise C.

MacLaren dated April 22, 1896, recorded in said land records in book 75 at pages 219, 220, 221 and 222; the deed to Curtis R. Hatheway dated October 31, 1898, recorded in said land records in book 75 at pages 401, 402 and 403; the deed to William T. Marsh and Weston G. Granniss, dated January 19, 1907, recorded in said land records in book 80 at page 183; the deed to William H. Lambert dated July 13, 1909, recorded in said land records in book 80 at pages 242 and 243; the deed to Kate I. Thomas dated July 9, 1914, recorded in said land records in book 85 at pages 245 and 246; the deed to Florence E. Frost dated July 9, 1914, recorded in said land records in book 85 at pages 246 and 248; the quit-claim deed to said Louise C. MacLaren dated March 20, 1894, recorded in said land records in book 73 at page 403 and the deed from said William H. Lambert, grantee from said Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company, and Hermenia V. Lambert to Kate I. Thomas dated January 23, 1911, recorded in said land records in book 80 at pages 397 and 398, are in all respects validated, ratified and confirmed, provided a copy of this act, certified by the secretary of the state, be recorded in the land records of the town of Litchfield, before September 1, 1921.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 62.]

[126.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE JEWELL BELTING COMPANY TO
INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK AND CHANGING
ITS LOCATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Jewell Belting Company, incorporated by a resolution approved March 1, 1881, is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate at any one time the sum of two million dollars; to fix the par value of its shares which shall not be less than five dollars; to issue preferred stock with the provision that it may be called or retired as provided in the certificate of issue; to issue preferred stock with the provision that such shares shall not entitle the holder to vote except in certain contingencies as set forth in the certificate of issue when only the holders of preferred stock may have voting power or may share such voting power with the common stock as provided in such certificate of issue.

SEC. 2. The location of said corporation is changed from the town of Hartford to the town of West Hartford.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 674.]

[127.]

AN ACT CREATING A DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE IN THE
TOWN OF MILFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the town of Milford a board of finance consisting of the first selectman, who shall be its presiding officer, and six electors of said town, to be appointed as hereinafter provided, which electors shall be taxpayers and shall hold no other office in said town government; but said appointments shall be so made that not more than four members of said board, including the first selectman, shall at any time belong to the same political party. The necessary expenses of said board shall be paid by said town of Milford, but no member of said board shall be paid for his services. The members of said board shall be duly sworn to the faithful performance of their duties.

SEC. 2. Said board shall, at its meeting held on the first Tuesday of September in each year, choose a clerk, not a member of said board. Said clerk shall be duly sworn to the faithful performance of his duties, shall keep a record of all the meetings of said board, and shall attend the adjourned annual town meeting and keep a record of all votes passed, and report to the selectmen all appropriations made in accordance with this act.

SEC. 3. The first selectman may call a special meeting of said board at any time, on reasonable personal notice to the members thereof or a written or printed notice sent to the residence of each member or mailed to him by the clerk of said board at least twenty-four hours before the time of holding such meeting.

SEC. 4. During the month of August, 1921, the board of selectmen of the town of Milford shall appoint six electors, who are also taxpayers, members of said board, two of whom shall be appointed for one year from the first day of September, 1921, two for two years from said date, and two for three years from said date; and in each August thereafter the selectmen shall appoint two members of said board for a term of three years from the first day of September next succeeding. The members of said board shall hold office during the time for which they are appointed and until their successors are appointed by said board of selectmen and qualified; and, in case of a vacancy in said board by reason of death or resignation, the selectmen shall forthwith appoint a successor who shall serve for the remainder of the term of such deceased or resigning member and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

SEC. 5. Said board shall hold a meeting on the first Tuesday of September in each year, and may adjourn said meeting from time to time during said month, and at said meeting and adjournments thereof, if any are had, shall make estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for the expenses of said town of Milford for the year next ensuing, beginning on the Tuesday after the first Monday of October, except that the appropriations for the maintenance of schools for the year ensuing shall take effect on the first day of September preceding the annual town meeting, and may, at its discretion, make appropriations for paying any part of the debt of the town, also to provide a fund for any public improvement, and shall classify the said appropriations under appropriate heads and departments; and said board shall make an estimate of the rate of taxation required to meet said appropriations and said rate of taxation shall be based upon the grand list of the town last completed. Said board shall give notice to each board or department of a definite time when and place where it will meet to consider the needs of such board or department. The meetings of said board shall be open to the public. Said appropriations and the rate of taxation recommended shall be filed in the town clerk's office of the town of Milford on or before the first Monday of October next ensuing, and said appropriations and the rate of taxation so recommended shall be submitted by the board of selectmen to an adjourned annual town meeting which shall be held on the first Monday of November, between the hours of two o'clock and eight o'clock in the afternoon, at the usual place for holding said town meetings in said town of Milford. Said town meeting shall have power to decrease said appropriations, or any item thereof, or the rate of taxation recommended by said board of finance, but in no case shall it have the power to increase said appropriations, or any item thereof, or said rate of taxation. The rate of taxation so recommended by said board shall be final, and said appropriations so reported shall be the appropriations of the town of Milford for the ensuing year, unless said rate of taxation or said appropriations be decreased by said annual town meeting; but the total amount of appropriations for any one year shall not exceed the estimated income for that year, nor shall any board of selectmen or town school committee of said town, nor the town in any special town meeting, vote to incur any liability or expense, by contract or otherwise, except for the improvement of public roads under state aid, for which said town shall be responsible, in excess of the appropriations so made by said board. During the period between the Tuesday after the first Monday of October and the first Monday of November the board of selectmen, the town school committee, or any other officer or department of said town of Milford may pay any current operating expenses of said town, provided an appropriation therefor has been recommended by said board of finance and filed in the office of the town clerk of said town as hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 6. If a special appropriation is required for any purpose, an estimate of the same shall be prepared and submitted to said board of finance at a special meeting called for that purpose; and said board of finance at said meeting, or any adjournment thereof, shall have power to make any such appropriation, and to recommend a special tax to meet the same; but no such appropriation shall be made unless a special tax is recommended sufficient to cover the amount, when such appropriation is in excess of the unappropriated revenue of the town, except as hereinafter provided. Said appropriations and the rate of taxation so recommended shall be submitted by the board of selectmen to a special town meeting called for that purpose, and said special town meeting shall have the power to decrease said appropriations, or any item thereof, or the rate of taxation recommended by said board of finance, or said special town meeting may vote not to make such appropriation or levy such special tax, but in no case shall any special town meeting have power to increase any special appropriation or any rate of taxation recommended by said board of finance. When said board shall make an appropriation for any special or public purpose in excess of ten thousand dollars, said board may recommend the issue of town bonds or other obligations, as provided in section 440 of the general statutes, for the purpose of raising funds to meet the expense thus recommended, in lieu of recommending a tax upon the ratable estate within said town. All recommendations for such purpose shall be filed in the office of the town clerk and shall be submitted by the selectmen to the annual or special town meeting for the action of said town as provided in this act.

SEC. 7. Unexpended balances of appropriations at the end of any year shall become a part of the general funds of the town, and said board of finance in estimating the income for any year shall include as a part of such income all unexpended and unappropriated moneys belonging to said town.

SEC. 8. Said board shall have power to make transfers of unexpended balances from one appropriation to another, but no amount appropriated for any one purpose, whether general or special, shall be used or appropriated for any other purpose unless the same be recommended by said board.

SEC. 9. Said board shall hold a meeting within thirty days from the final adjournment of the annual town meeting in said town, and shall give at least five days' written notice thereof to the warden of the Woodmont Association. Said notice shall state the time and place of such meeting and thereat said board shall determine the amount of money which the town of Milford shall pay to said association pursuant to the provisions of the charter of said Woodmont Association, approved June 18, 1903. The board of finance shall have exclusive authority to determine the amount of money which said town shall pay to said association.

SEC. 10. The Woodmont Association or any taxpayer thereof, the town of Milford or any taxpayer of said town, claiming to be aggrieved by the action of said board of finance may make application in the nature of an appeal to the superior court as provided in section 1240 of the general statutes.

SEC. 11. So much of section thirty-six of the charter of the Woodmont Association as makes it the duty of the selectmen of the town of Milford and an equal number of the burgesses annually to determine the amount of money that the town of Milford shall pay annually to the association, is repealed, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are repealed so far as they affect the town of Milford.

SEC. 12. This act shall take effect August 1, 1921.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 600.]

[128.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF
THE DANBURY AND BETHEL TRACTION COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time for acceptance of the charter of The Danbury and Bethel Traction Company, the organization of the company and filing certificate of such organization in the office of the secretary of state, is hereby extended until the rising of the general assembly of 1923.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 599.]

[129.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE EAST LYME TRACTION
COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Robert W. Perkins of Norwich, Edward M. Day of Hartford and Charles B. Whittlesey of New London, and such other persons as they may associate with them, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The East Lyme Traction Company, which company is to be located in the town of New London.

SEC. 2. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase or otherwise acquire all of the present line of railway now owned by The Shore Line Electric Railway Company from its junction with the tracks of The Connecticut Company at the corner of Montauk avenue and Bank street in the town of New London, through the towns of New

London, Waterford and East Lyme to Crescent Beach in the town of East Lyme.

SEC. 3. The capital stock of said company shall be fifty thousand dollars divided into shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase the same to any amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, which shares shall be personal property and shall be transferable only on the books of said company in such manner as the by-laws shall prescribe; and the capital stock of said company may be divided into preferred and common shares in such proportions and amounts, or all common shares, as said company may determine. Said company may borrow money and secure the repayment of the same by issuing its bonds, secured by mortgage upon all the property and franchises of the company, which bonds are to be issued and given under and subject to the provisions, limitations and conditions of the general statutes relating to street railways.

SEC. 4. Said company is hereby authorized to transport freight, passengers, or both, over said railway and to collect such reasonable rates of freight or fares of passengers as may be fixed and determined upon by its board of directors.

SEC. 5. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered to use electricity, or any other lawful power, as a motive power upon said railway, and may erect, maintain and use all necessary, proper and lawful appliances for the purpose of operating said railway, and for the proper distribution and application of power used by it for that purpose.

SEC. 6. Said company shall have the right to construct additional sidings and spur tracks, stations, freight houses, and transmission lines for the transmission of electricity to operate said road; and said company may take for railway purposes such real estate as may be necessary for the proper construction of the same, and may condemn land, when necessary, in the manner provided in the general statutes for the taking of land by railroad companies operated by steam.

SEC. 7. The property and affairs of said company shall be managed by not less than three nor more than nine directors who shall be stockholders of said company.

SEC. 8. The incorporators above named, or a majority of them, shall open books to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company at such times and places as said incorporators, or a majority of them, may appoint, and shall receive such subscriptions under such regulations as they may adopt; and said incorporators, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of the stockholders in such manner and at such time and place as they may deem best for the purpose of organizing, and of adopting suitable by-laws, and of electing officers.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 315.]

[130.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF ASSESSORS AND
BOARD OF RELIEF IN THE TOWN AND CITY OF
HARTFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The assessors of the town and city of Hartford shall, at least fifteen days before the first day of September, annually, post on the public sign-post in said city, or publish in one or more newspapers published in said city, a notice requiring all persons therein liable to pay taxes, to bring in, between September first and October first, inclusive, written or printed lists of the taxable property belonging to them on the first day of July in that year.

SEC. 2. Each resident of the city of Hartford, liable to give in a list and pay taxes therein, shall give in the list required by section 1138 of the general statutes, on or before the first day of October, annually. When the first day of October falls on Sunday, then said list may be given in on the day following.

SEC. 3. The assessors of the town and city of Hartford shall give the notice required by section 1144 of the general statutes, on or before the thirty-first day of December next following the making of any addition to the list of any person.

SEC. 4. The assessors of the town and city of Hartford shall, on or before the thirty-first day of December, lodge the lists in the town clerk's or assessors' office, and make and lodge the abstract in the town clerk's office, in the manner prescribed by section 1149 of the general statutes.

SEC. 5. The board of relief in the town and city of Hartford shall meet on the first business day of January, annually, and may adjourn from time to time to a day not later than the last business day of said January, on or before which day said board shall complete the duties imposed upon it; and said board shall give notice of its meetings as prescribed by law.

SEC. 6. No appeal from the doings of the assessors in the town and city of Hartford, or application for deduction of amount of indebtedness from the list of any debtor, shall be heard or entertained by the board of relief unless preferred to it at its meeting held on the first business day of January, or at some adjourned meeting held within twenty days thereafter.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 11.]

[131.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF A PARK IN THE CITY OF NORWALK.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section five of an act concerning the establishment of a park in the city of Norwalk, approved May 16, 1917, is amended to read as follows: No land or interest therein above high water mark shall be taken under this act without the consent of the owner, claimant or possessor thereof, unless condemnation proceedings are commenced by virtue of this act, on or before June 1, 1923.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 302.]

[132.]

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE ASSOCIATE JUDGE
OF THE CITY COURT OF MIDDLETOWN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The salary of the associate judge of the city court of the city and town of Middletown shall, from the first Monday of April, 1921, be six hundred dollars per annum.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 610.]

[133.]

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE
AND APPROACHES AT SACHEMS HEAD IN THE
TOWN OF GUILFORD.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Howard C. Noble and E. Beverly Walden and such other persons as may become associated with them, or any of the persons hereinbefore named or referred to, are hereby authorized and empowered to complete the construction of, and to maintain, a bridge and approaches at Sachems Head in the town of Guilford upon the piers already constructed, or in the vicinity of said piers, said piers being located at or near the location of the former bridge over an arm of the sea separating Sachems Head point from the mainland, said bridge hereby authorized,

extending from a point at or near the highway on Sachems Head point, at or near the property owned by said Walden to a point at or near the highway on the mainland at or near the property of said Noble, and the persons so completing the erection of said bridge and approaches thereof are further authorized and empowered in their discretion to dedicate the said bridge for public use, and the town of Guilford is hereby authorized and empowered to accept the said bridge and the approaches thereof as one of the highway bridges of the town, should it be so dedicated.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 347.]

[134.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE BAY VIEW IMPROVEMENT
ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All owners of cottages and dwellings within the limits hereinafter specified in the locality known as Bay View, in the town of Milford, are constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of The Bay View Improvement Association.

SEC. 2. The limits and territory of said association are defined and established as follows: Commencing on the westerly side of the bridge on Bayshore drive where it crosses Calf Pen Meadow creek, thence along the westerly side of said creek to the property of The Connecticut Company; thence along the westerly side of the property of The Connecticut Company to the northeasterly corner of property of R. M. Davies; thence along the northerly boundary of property of said R. M. Davies to the northwesterly corner thereof; thence along the westerly boundary of property of said R. M. Davies to Welch's Point road, thence to the southerly side of Welch's Point road on a line formed by projecting the westerly boundary of land of said R. M. Davies to said southerly side of Welch's Point road; thence along the southerly side of Welch's Point road to the westerly side of the property of H. C. C. Miles; thence along the westerly side of said Miles' property to Long Island sound; thence along said Long Island sound at high water mark to the point of commencement.

SEC. 3. All adult persons owning a cottage or dwelling or other real estate within said limits, and all such persons who shall after this act takes effect own any cottage, dwelling or other real estate within said limits, shall be members of said The Bay View Improvement Association and shall be entitled to vote in any meeting of such members, and shall be eligible to any office provided for in this charter.

SEC. 4. The first meeting of the members of said association shall be held in June or July, 1921, at such time and place within the limits of said The Bay View Improvement Association as the committee hereinafter named shall appoint in the warning of such meeting, for the purpose of electing a board of governors of said The Bay View Improvement Association, who shall hold office until June first, 1922, and until others shall be chosen in their places. Annual meetings shall be held in the month of June in each year at such time and place within the limits of said association as said board of governors shall direct, and at such meeting a board of governors of five members shall be elected to serve for one year from their election and until others shall be chosen in their places.

SEC. 5. G. P. Fessenden, R. M. Davies, Joseph R. McKnight, H. C. C. Miles and L. E. Blackner, or a majority of them, shall have power to warn the first meeting of the members of said association, which warning shall be written or printed and signed by a majority of said committee and three or more copies shall be posted in public places within the limits of said association at least three days before such meeting. A member of said committee shall call such meeting to order. Said meeting shall choose a moderator and clerk and shall elect each member of the board of governors separately by ballot. All subsequent meetings, annual or special, shall be warned by the board of governors in the manner prescribed in rules or by-laws adopted by said board.

SEC. 6. Any vacancy in said board may be filled by the majority of the remaining members for the remainder of the term.

SEC. 7. Said association shall have power to adopt by-laws, rules and regulations for its government, and to enforce the same in the name of the association; and it may employ one or more persons to remove all garbage, filth, night-soil, ashes and other refuse matter within said limits and authorize such person or persons to make entry on any private property within said limits for the purpose of removing the same. Said association may employ one or more persons to act as special police and watchmen of the property within said limits, who shall be empowered to enter on any of the private property within said limits whenever it shall be necessary for the protection of the same from fire, theft, loss or injury. Said association may make all necessary rules and regulations for the care and protection of the open beach above high water mark within the limits hereinbefore described, not inconsistent with any rights therein heretofore acquired by any individual. Said association may assess and apportion the expense among all the cottage, dwelling house, hotel and restaurant owners, and owners of all other buildings within said limits, providing no building shall be assessed more than ten dollars and no building lot shall be assessed more than two dollars for all of such services in any year. Said association may collect all such assessments from the several owners of such properties by action at law in the name of said association, and

any money due on any such assessment shall be a lien upon the property of any such owner, which may be foreclosed in the same manner in which liens for taxes due the town of Milford are foreclosed. Notice in writing of every meeting of the association, stating the purpose of the meeting, shall be given by the clerk by letter properly stamped, addressed to each member of the association, and mailed at least ten days before said meeting.

SEC. 8. Twenty members of said association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and any member may designate in writing any person to act as his or her proxy at any meeting of said association.

SEC. 9. Said board of governors shall have power to direct the manner and place and the vessels in which garbage from cottages and dwellings shall be deposited and may prescribe the vessels or receptacles to be provided and used at the various privies within said limits, and may adopt proper rules and regulations for said purposes.

SEC. 10. Said board of governors shall, within said limits, examine into all nuisances and sources of filth injurious to the public health and cause to be removed all filth found within said limits which in its judgment may endanger the health of the inhabitants or render the occupation of any dwelling uncomfortable, and may notify all persons causing or maintaining such nuisances to abate the same within such time as the board of governors shall order, and if the same shall not be abated as ordered said board may abate the same and recover the expense thereof from any person so causing or maintaining the same by an action in the name of said association. If any property owner shall fail to provide the proper receptacle as ordered by said board for privies and outhouses, such board may provide the same and recover the cost thereof from the owner of the property by an action in the name of said association, and when a proper receptacle for night-soil is provided as directed by said board, any occupant of the property failing to deposit the night-soil from such property in such receptacle, and depositing the same on the ground, shall be liable to pay to said association five dollars for every week such night-soil shall be deposited upon the ground in violation of the order of said board, such penalty to be recovered in the name of said association by an action at law.

SEC. 11. Said association shall have the same power and privileges regarding fires, sewers and health as towns.

SEC. 12. All by-laws, rules and orders made by said board of governors may be published in any newspaper having a circulation within the limits of said association or copies thereof may be posted in public places within said limits, and after three days such by-laws, rules and orders shall be in force.

SEC. 13. Said association may elect a clerk and treasurer and all warnings, notices, orders and by-laws may be signed by such clerk.

The clerk shall keep a record of all the doings of said association. The treasurer shall keep account of all moneys received and paid out, and shall report at each annual meeting.

SEC. 14. Said association shall have no jurisdiction of the limits herein described between high and low water mark except to abate nuisances, prevent the depositing of sewage or garbage, quell disturbances and breaches of the peace and make arrests.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 587.]

[135.]

AN ACT MAKING A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE MOTOR
VEHICLE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD
ENDING JUNE 30, 1921.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the motor vehicle department for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921: Expenses of inspectors, eighteen hundred dollars; salaries of inspectors, twenty-five hundred dollars; automobile expenses, four thousand dollars; office expenses, fifteen hundred dollars.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 136.]

[136.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE JOHNS-PRATT
COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Johns-Pratt Company may, upon the issue of preferred stock in accordance with sections 3493, 3494, 3495 and 3496 of the general statutes, provide that said preferred stock may be called or retired at any time upon the terms stated in the vote of the stockholders and the certificate of issue thereof and that the shares of said preferred stock shall not entitle the holder thereof to vote thereon except in certain contingencies to be set forth in the vote of the stockholders creating such issue and the certificate of issue thereof, in which event only the holders of the preferred stock may have voting power or may share such voting power with the common stock as shall be provided in said vote and certificate.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 505.]

[137.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE PLAINVILLE
WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section two of a resolution incorporating The Plainville Water Company, approved February 27, 1884, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said corporation shall be one hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, which shall be deemed personal property and shall be transferable on the books of the company as provided by the by-laws of the company.

SEC. 2. Section fourteen of said resolution is amended to read as follows: Said company shall have power and authority to issue bonds, in addition to bonds amounting to twenty-five thousand dollars already issued, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. Such bonds when issued shall be in the denomination of one hundred, five hundred or one thousand dollars, secured by mortgage of its property and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum payable semi-annually.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 158.]

[138.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE EAST HARTFORD
MEADOW DISTRICT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All inhabitants of the town of East Hartford, qualified to vote in town meeting, dwelling within the territorial limits heretofore existing under the name of East Hartford Meadow Fire District shall forever remain a body politic and corporate, in fact and name, by the name of The East Hartford Meadow District, and by the latter name they and their successors shall have perpetual succession, and be a person in law, capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all suits of what nature soever, and of purchasing, holding and conveying any estate, real or personal, and may have a common seal, and alter or change the same at pleasure, and shall be vested with and possess and enjoy all the lands, tenements, hereditaments and other property which before and at the time of the passage of this act were vested in said corporation, and all such as are hereafter vested in them by the succeeding sections of this act; and they shall also be electors

of said district, subject to the restrictions and provisions of section three of this act.

SEC. 2. The territorial limits of said corporation, until changed by the action of the general assembly, shall be and remain as follows: Bounded east by the line of the East Hartford Fire District as amended by the general assembly, session 1921; north by the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company's land; west by the Connecticut river; and south commencing at a stone on the bank of the Connecticut river on the course of the division line between land owned or formerly owned by Hezekiah Roberts and land owned or formerly owned by Ira Roberts, which runs thence by said course to a stone on the Meadow Hill, as per survey October 26, 1882.

SEC. 3. Every person qualified by law to vote in town meetings and residing within the territorial limits as described in section two, shall have the right to vote in district meetings of said district.

SEC. 4. There shall be a meeting of said district on the fourth Monday of June in each year, and the said meeting shall be the annual meeting of said district for the choice of officers and the other ordinary business of an annual meeting; and said meeting shall be holden as well as all special meetings of said district in some hall in said district, or at such other place as the by-laws of said district shall direct; and the officers chosen at any such meeting shall continue in office for and during the term prescribed hereinafter, and until others shall be chosen and qualified in their stead. Special meetings of said district may be called and held in such manner as the by-laws and ordinances of said district shall prescribe. Any meeting of said district may be adjourned, and all questions before any meeting of said district shall be decided by a major vote of the lawful voters present. Special meetings of said district shall be called on the written petition of ten electors of said district; but no special or other meetings of said district shall be held unless a notice thereof, signed by the chairman and two of the commissioners and stating the objects of the meeting, shall have been posted on the signpost in said district at least five days before the day of said meeting. All the officers required by law to be chosen at said meetings, or so many of the said officers as each elector shall wish to vote for, shall be voted for at one ballot, by having their names, with the office for which they are respectively intended, fairly written or printed on one piece of paper or legal voting machine may be used.

SEC. 5. At the annual meeting of the voters of said district to be held on the fourth Monday in June, 1921, or at any adjournment thereof, said voters shall elect from their number by a plurality of ballots a board of commissioners consisting of three members, one of whom shall serve for one year, one for two years and one for three years; and annually thereafter the voters of said district shall elect one person from their number to succeed those whose terms of office shall expire, as aforesaid, to hold their offices for three years and until others are chosen and

qualified in their stead. At said annual meeting, and annually thereafter, said voters shall elect a clerk, a treasurer, a collector of taxes, two auditors and three members of the board of relief, each of whom shall hold their offices respectively for one year and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead; provided any officer of the district, upon removal of his residence therefrom, shall cease to hold his office, with the exception of auditors, collector and clerk, who may be non-resident. In case any vacancy shall occur in any of said offices by death, resignation or otherwise, the board of commissioners may appoint some suitable person to fill the same, who shall qualify and hold his office until the next annual meeting of the district.

SEC. 6. The voting for such officers shall be by ballot and checklist, and the casting, challenging, checking and counting may be regulated in the manner provided by the by-laws of said district. The board of commissioners shall appoint all election officers required by the general statutes for electors' meetings. Whenever one-quarter of the legal voters present at any meeting of said district shall request that any vote or votes pending upon any question before such meeting shall be taken by ballot and checklist of the legal votes of said district, the chairman of such meeting shall cause said vote or votes to be so taken.

SEC. 7. The board of commissioners of said district shall hold its first regular meeting in each year at eight o'clock in the evening of the day following the annual meeting and thereafter on the fourth Tuesday of every month succeeding at eight o'clock in the evening or at such hour as the board may designate and such regular meetings may be adjourned from time to time as said board may order; and said board may hold special meetings at such other times as it may deem best. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting. A majority of the members of the board present and voting shall be necessary to determine any matter therein pending. Said board shall elect a chairman and in case of his absence or inability to act may appoint a chairman pro tempore.

SEC. 8. The clerk of said district shall keep the records thereof, and shall make true and regular entries of all the votes and proceedings of said district, and of the chairman and commissioners thereof. He shall draw orders on the treasurer for all payments authorized by the board of commissioners and all orders shall be endorsed by the chairman of the board. He shall cause the by-laws of said district, which may from time to time be enacted, to be published according to law, and when said by-laws have been so published he shall enter upon said records his certificate of the fact that he so caused the same to be published. He shall make upon said records, from time to time, records of his own acts in serving notices of orders passed by said chairman and commissioners. In case of absence or inability to act, the meeting may appoint a clerk pro tempore. All records hitherto kept, or which shall hereafter be kept, by any clerk of said district, shall have the same validity as

the records of town clerks, and shall be in all courts evidence of the matters therein recorded, and a copy of such record, certified under the hand of the clerk of said district, shall be received in any court as evidence, in the same manner as the original record would be received.

SEC. 9. The treasurer of said district shall have and exercise the same relative powers and duties in said district as town treasurers have and exercise in their respective towns, and shall be accountable to said district.

SEC. 10. The collector shall collect every tax and assessment duly made and laid by said district, or said chairman and commissioners and having received a warrant therefor, signed by some justice of the peace of said Hartford county, he shall have the same power and authority in said district in the collection of said tax as collectors of town taxes have in their respective towns; he shall pay all moneys by him collected to the treasurer of said district, and shall be accountable to the chairman and commissioners in the same manner and to the same extent as collectors of towns are to the selectmen of towns.

SEC. 11. The treasurer, collector and clerk of said district shall give sufficient bonds, with surety acceptable to the district, for the faithful performance of their respective duties, before entering upon the duties of such offices.

SEC. 12. The voters of said district may at any legal meeting lay taxes upon the polls and ratable estate within the limits of said district, for such purposes as may be authorized by the provisions of this charter.

SEC. 13. Whenever the voters of said district shall lay a tax upon the property and polls of said district, the clerk shall make out an assessment list of the ratable property of said district, being guided by the appropriate assessment last made and completed in the town clerk's office of the town of East Hartford within which said district is located, and the chairman shall apply to some justice of the peace in said Hartford county to issue a warrant directed to the collector appointed to collect such tax, and empowering him to collect same, and such justice of the peace shall issue such warrant.

SEC. 14. The voters when assembled according to law, shall have full power under the restrictions provided in this act, to make, alter and repeal such by-laws as they see fit, not inconsistent with the laws of this state or the United States, in relation to the following subjects within the limits of said district: Relative to markets and commerce; the prevention of nuisances of all kinds, arising from sinks, cesspools, privies, drains, sewers, gutters, ponds, stables, barns, hog pens, slaughter houses, markets, deposits of filth, rubbish, garbage, or any other cause whatever, and their summary abatement by said chairman and commissioners, or any person or persons appointed by them therefor, and the collection of the expenses of such abatement; depositing ashes, or garbage, or rubbish of any kind in the streets, squares, or public grounds; the going at large in the streets, squares or public grounds of animals

of any description, and the infliction of exemplary penalties for wilful repetition of such offenses, and the storing or piling of lumber, wood or building materials, barrels or boxes, or other articles; the erection and use of steam boilers, the keeping, sale or use of gunpowder, nitroglycerine, fireworks and explosive substances of any kind, and the conveyance thereof through the district; the carrying of any noisome or putrid matter, animal or other kind, through the streets of the district; the discharging of firearms, keeping the streets, walks, highways and sidewalks free from snow or ice, rubbish or obstructions of any kind, and the preservation of all trees, flowers and shrubbery therein, the marching and parading of companies and public processions therein; the speed of animals, railroad trains and vehicles therein; and protection of all gates, fences and railings in the public streets and on the public squares; games or sports in any part of said district streets or highways or public grounds; to license and regulate or prohibit public sports, amusements, performances, exhibitions, circuses, theatrical or musical performances, and also billiard and bowling saloons, and the amount and mode of collecting such license; the lighting of public streets and squares or parks by gas or otherwise; the erection of posts, poles, awnings and monuments, and the protection of signs, banners and flags over, on or in any street, highway, square or park; the erection and protection of liberty poles and their flags and cords; the excavation or opening of streets or highways for private or public purposes, and the location thereon, whether temporary or permanent, of any work or thing over or under the surface thereof; the depositing therein of building materials of any kind, and the removal of buildings through the same; to regulate the laying or placing of telegraph, telephone or electric light poles, water pipes, gas pipes, drains or sewers in said streets, highways, parks, or squares for public or private purposes; to regulate the planting or removal of trees in the streets, highways, parks or squares of said district; to protect and preserve trees and all ornaments and erections in public places; to keep the streets and other places free from all undue noises; to provide for the assessments of all damages or benefits arising from any public work; protecting of buildings, bridges and fences from defacement and injury; posting or painting of bills or advertisements; public assemblages, receptions, shows and celebrations; music in the parks, streets and highways of said district; the ringing of bells and blowing of steam whistles and gongs in said district; the preservation of order and the enforcement of the laws and by-laws in said district by means of a police force; the mode of appointing, number, duties and compensation of such police force, rules and regulations for the guidance of said police force; the licensing and regulating of public hacks, carriages, sleighs, trucks or other carriers, and charges of hackmen, truckmen and other carriers, and to regulate all public conveyances in the use of the streets of said district; the finances of said district, and the property thereof, real or personal; the borrowing

of money by said district for any purpose for which said district may lay a tax, and the giving security for such borrowed money; the mode of keeping and auditing the accounts of said district; the appointment of an attorney for said district and his compensation and duties; the salaries, fees and compensation of all district officers and committees appointed, as provided in this act, and the mode of payment of the same by the district treasurer; the appointment and particular duties of all officers whose appointment and duties are not provided for and expressly defined by this act; the removal or expulsion of any officer guilty of malfeasance in office; to prevent and restrain cruelty to animals, the seal of the district; signposts and their location in said district; the licensing and regulating of peddling in said district, and public auctions therein; to regulate or prohibit bathing or swimming in public or exposed places in said district; to prevent or regulate the use of any building for the purpose of carrying on any trade, business or manufacture in said district, which in the opinion of said voters shall be prejudicial to public health or an unreasonable annoyance to those living or owning property in the vicinity; the sale or offering for sale of unwholesome meat, vegetables, produce or food of any kind; the measurement and inspection of wood and coal, and the inspection of all produce and articles of food or drink offered for sale, and the appointment of inspectors and measurers of said articles; the penalties to be incurred by those who, being chosen to an office in said district, shall, without being excused by said district, refuse to serve; the amount of bonds to be given by those officers of said district who are required to give bonds by the charter; and to make provision either directly or by agreement with The East Hartford Fire District, for the introduction of water, gas and electricity by pipes, ducts and wires into said district; provided all such by-laws or alterations thereof shall be published at least twice in one or more newspapers circulated in said district and published in said Hartford county, before such by-laws shall be of any force or validity. All the present by-laws of said district heretofore passed and adopted and recorded in the records of said district, shall continue in force, when not contrary to the laws of this state or the United States, or inconsistent with this act, until they are repealed, amended or altered as aforesaid; and said voters may at their discretion in such by-laws prescribe penalties or forfeitures for the breach of the same, and the manner in which such penalties or forfeitures may be recovered; provided no penalty or forfeiture shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars and that the commissioners shall not have power to make any contract under the provisions of this section, which shall provide for the expenditure of any money or the creation of any debt, unless the same shall be first approved by the qualified voters of said district, at a meeting specially warned and held for the purpose.

SEC. 15. The chairman and commissioners shall have full power and authority to organize and continue a fire department and fire dis-

tricts in said district, and procure suitable and proper apparatus and land and buildings therefor, and to make all contracts and agreements with individuals and corporations which they may consider necessary for the proper protection of said district from fire, subject to the approval of said district, in legal meeting assembled, and to appoint officers of said fire department and fire districts, to make and cause to be executed by-laws, rules and regulations for the good government of said fire department and fire districts, or of any engine company, hook and ladder company, or any person or persons in said fire department.

SEC. 16. The voters shall have power to designate, in a by-law, limits in said district, within or to which it shall not be lawful to erect or remove any building, or any part thereof, or addition to any building, unless such building, part or addition or the outer walls and roofs thereof, shall be composed of some incombustible material, as the said voters may in said by-law prescribe. Whenever any building or part thereof, or addition thereto, shall be erected, or be in process of erection within said limits, or removed into the same in violation of the provisions of this section, the chairman shall give notice, in writing, to the owner or owners thereof, to remove the same from said limits, within a time to be specified in said notice.

SEC. 17. The commissioners shall have power to prohibit the use of buildings in said district for such manufactures, trades or purposes, as will in the opinion of said commissioners expose any such building, together with any other building, to unusual risk of fire. And whenever said commissioners shall determine that any building is so used, they may prohibit such further use, and the commissioners shall thereupon give notice to the person or persons so using the same of such order or prohibition.

SEC. 18. Whenever any person or persons, after notice, by the commissioner as aforesaid, shall fail within a reasonable time to remove from said limits any building or any part thereof, or addition thereto erected within or removed into said limits, or in process of erection therein, in violation of the provisions of the two preceding sections, or, after notice by the commissioner shall continue such use of any building as may be prohibited by the commissioners as aforesaid, such person shall forfeit to the use of said district, the sum of one hundred dollars for every thirty days of such failure to remove, or such continued use as aforesaid, to be recovered by proper legal action.

SEC. 19. The commissioners shall have such power and authority, as they judge needful to open, lay out and construct public squares, new highways, streets, public walks, public footways and sidewalks throughout said district, to alter, extend and enlarge all streets, walks and squares in said district, to alter, fix and establish building lines, and to discontinue streets and highways, or exchange the same for other highways, streets and public walks, and all streets running to the Connecticut river shall be, and remain public roads to and from said river,

and said river front at such points shall not be closed or used exclusively by any person or corporation, but shall remain public property to be used at all times for public purposes with the exception of Connecticut boulevard, and to enclose and improve any public grounds in said district, and to establish the names of streets and public squares, to number the buildings in said district, and to make and cause to be executed all such orders relating thereto as they shall judge proper, all of which shall be subject to the approval of the voters of the said district, in legal meeting assembled.

SEC. 20. Whenever said chairman and commissioners shall determine to open and lay out or construct any public square, street, highway, walk, footway or sidewalk, or alter, extend or enlarge the same, or discontinue or exchange any highway or street, notice thereof shall be given to the owner or owners of the land and buildings upon, over or through which the said public square, street, highway or walk is to be opened, laid out or altered, to be heard, if he or they see cause, before said chairman and commissioners, or a committee by them appointed, as to the expediency thereof, and damage thereby, and such notice shall be in writing, signed by the chairman or one of the commissioners, and shall be served by reading the same in the presence and hearing of the person entitled to such notice, or by leaving a true and attested copy of such notice at the usual place of abode of such person, by the clerk of said district, or some indifferent freeman thereof; and in case the owner or owners of any such land or building do not reside within said district, such notice shall be given to the occupant or the person having the charge or possession of such land and buildings; and if the place of residence of such owner be known to said chairman or commissioners, or any of them, such notice shall be sent by mail to such person or persons; and if the residence of such owner or owners is not known, an order of notice may be obtained from any judge of the superior court, and published, and such notice shall be served or sent, or given, at least two weeks before the time of such hearing, or as directed in said order; and the commissioners, after such hearing, may, by themselves, or by a committee appointed by them, proceed to make such lay-out, extension or exchange, or alteration or discontinuance, and shall cause a survey and map of the same to be made and filed in the office of the clerk of said district, and duly recorded; and unless said commissioners can agree with the person or persons injured by such lay-out, extension, or discontinuance or alteration, as to the damage sustained by him or them thereby, such damage shall be estimated and appraised by three judicious freeholders of said district not interested, save as taxpayers generally, one of whom shall be appointed by the commissioners, one by the person injured, and the two so chosen shall choose a third; and in case of a refusal by said injured party to appoint one of said appraisers, the nearest county commissioner shall appoint another appraiser, and the two so appointed shall select a third as aforesaid, and

shall take the oath prescribed by law for appraisers of land to be taken on execution, and a certificate of such appointment and oath shall be made and entered upon the records of said district; and said estimate and appraisal shall be returned by said freeholders to the clerk of the said district, who shall record the same; provided said appraisers shall give reasonable notice to all parties interested to appear and be heard. The damage so estimated shall be paid to the persons entitled thereto, or deposited to their order in the district treasury; and after such payment or deposit the commissioners may adopt all such measures, and cause to be executed all such orders as may be necessary for the opening, laying-out, altering or discontinuing, exchanging or enclosing of said public square, land, highway, street, walk, footway or sidewalk, respectively, as aforesaid; provided, when any benefits shall have been assessed upon any person to whom damages have been awarded for the same work or improvement, the amount of such benefit shall be deducted from the damages so paid to such person or deposited.

SEC. 21. Whenever any public square, street, highway, walk, footway or sidewalk shall be opened, laid out, constructed, altered, extended, discontinued or exchanged, as aforesaid, and whenever water pipes shall be laid through the streets of said district, and hydrants connected therewith for fire purposes, it shall be the duty of the chairman and commissioners to ascertain what land and buildings shall be specially benefited thereby, and to apportion among, and assess to be paid by, the persons interested in such land and buildings, such part as they shall judge reasonable of the damages and costs of such improvement or works, and they shall give notice to such persons of the amounts assessed to be paid by them respectively, in the manner prescribed in section nineteen of this act.

SEC. 22. All assessments of benefits made under the provisions of the charter of said district and amendments to this act, shall be and remain a lien upon the property specially benefited by the public work or improvement, in view of which assessments are made, and such liens shall take precedence and priority of all other liens or incumbrances on the property whereon the same is imposed, except taxes due the state and town; and the lands, buildings or other property on which such lien may exist, shall be liable to be foreclosed in the same manner as if said lien were a mortgage thereon in favor of said district, to secure the amount of said assessment or expense; provided no such lien shall continue to exist for a period of more than sixty days after such assessment shall have become payable, unless within said period of sixty days a certificate, signed by the chairman and clerk of said district, shall be lodged with the town clerk of said town of East Hartford; and any such lien shall cease to exist whenever a certificate signed by the chairman and clerk of said district, that it has ceased to exist, shall be lodged with the said town clerk, and such certificate shall be recorded by said town clerk, and such assessments may also be collected by war-

rant under the hand of the chairman, in the same manner as town taxes are by law collected.

SEC. 23. If any person or persons shall be aggrieved by the doings of said chairman and commissioners, or of said freeholders appointed to estimate the damages as aforesaid, in the matter of assessing damages and benefits to be paid to or by such person or persons whose property may be benefited under sections twenty and twenty-one of this act, such person or persons may, by petition within thirty days after notice of such assessment or estimate of damages or betterments shall have been given, apply to the court of common pleas for Hartford county for a re-estimate of such damages or a re-assessment of the sums ordered to be paid by them as aforesaid, giving reasonable notice in writing to the clerk of the said district of the time and place, when and where and the judge to whom such application will be made; and such judge shall appoint three judicious and disinterested freeholders of said Hartford county not residents of said East Hartford Meadow District, to re-estimate such damages or re-assess the sums ordered to be paid as aforesaid. And said freeholders shall re-assess said damages or re-estimate and assess said sums ordered to be paid as aforesaid, under oath, and make return of their doings to the judge who appointed them, who shall have authority, for any cause he may deem sufficient, to set aside said report and order another estimate or assessment to be made, or make such other order therein as shall to justice appertain. If upon application for re-estimate or re-assessment, the damages shall be increased, or the re-assessments of benefits decreased, and the same approved by said judge, the costs of application shall be paid by said district, otherwise by the applicants; and said judge may issue execution for such costs; and such report of said freeholders, when accepted, shall be recorded in the records of said district.

SEC. 24. The chairman and commissioners may cause any and all street crossings and gutters to be levelled or raised and paved or flagged at the expense of said district.

SEC. 25. The chairman and commissioners, by themselves, or by a committee appointed by them, shall have power to lay out, construct, maintain and repair sewers and drains, wherever they may deem them necessary, through or along any street, highway, public or private grounds, and to assess such portions as they may deem reasonable of the cost of any such sewer or drain, upon the property for the carrying off of the sewage or surface or other drainage of which such sewer or drain is constructed, or which may in any way be improved or benefited thereby, and the sums so assessed shall be a lien upon said property, and such lien may be foreclosed or said sums may be collected as provided in section twenty-one of this act; but such lien shall not exist for a longer period than sixty days after such assessments shall have become payable, unless a certificate of such lien shall be filed as provided in section twenty, within sixty days; and an appeal from said assess-

ment may be taken in the manner provided in section twenty-two of this act; and on such appeal the same proceedings shall be had as are provided in said section. No person shall construct any drain or sewer of any kind to or upon any highway or street in any district, or use or permit the same to be used without the written permission of the chairman and commissioners; and any person so constructing such drain or sewer, or using or permitting such to be used without such permission, shall forfeit and pay for the use of said district, the sum of ten dollars for such construction, and a like amount for each day such drain or sewer is used or permitted to be used without permission, which sum or sums may be recovered by proper legal action on the part of said district.

SEC. 26. The chairman and commissioners shall constitute a board of health in said district, and shall have and may exercise all power and authority which they shall judge necessary for the prevention of disease and the promotion of the health of the inhabitants, and may make and cause to be executed all orders which they deem necessary for that purpose, and may appoint committees to carry the same into effect. And if any person or persons shall neglect or refuse to obey any order of said board of health, or of the committee by them appointed, to remove any filthy, putrid or noxious substances which shall be deemed injurious to the health or cleanliness of said district, the chairman or any of the commissioners, or said committee may cause the same to be removed at the expense of such person so refusing or neglecting, and for such purpose may enter into all lands and buildings in said district; and the expense of such removal may be recovered against such persons by proper legal action. When the premises upon, in or about which such filthy, putrid or noxious substances exist or remain, shall be held or occupied by any persons for a term of years whereof at least two are unexpired, or by any greater estate less than a freehold, such person or persons shall be deemed the owner or owners within the meaning of this section; and if any such order shall be made upon any proprietor or proprietors who are not in the occupation of the premises, he or they will have the right to enter into and upon such premises with proper assistants and agents for the purpose of executing the requirements of such orders, and may recover the expense of executing the same in an action as aforesaid against the person or persons in occupation of such premises, whose negligence shall have caused such filthy, putrid or noxious substances to exist on or about said premises.

SEC. 27. The inhabitants living within the limits of said district shall, to all intents and purposes, be and remain a part of the town of East Hartford.

SEC. 28. In all cases when a tax shall be laid and collected, or a sum of money appropriated by the town of East Hartford, for the purpose of repairing highways in said town, it shall be the duty of the selectmen of said town, together with an equal number of the com-

missioners of said district, to determine, by a major vote of the whole number, the portion thereof to which the said district is entitled for the laying out and repairing of the highways within its limits, and in case they cannot agree by a majority vote, the county commissioner of Hartford county residing nearest to, but not within said town, shall be called in to give a deciding vote. The sum thus apportioned shall be paid into the treasury of said district, and said town shall not thereafter be liable to lay out or repair any highway within the limits of said district; provided the town of East Hartford shall be liable to make and repair all bridges to the same extent as if this act had not been passed; and it shall be the duty of the East Hartford Meadow District to make and keep in repair all public highways, streets and roads, public footways and sidewalks within the limits of said district except Connecticut boulevard, and for that purpose they may lay taxes and collect the same according to law. All moneys raised or received by said district for the purposes aforesaid shall be laid out and expended under the direction of the chairman and commissioners of said district; and the chairman and commissioners shall have the power necessary to make and repair the highways, streets and roads, footways and sidewalks of said district, in the manner and under the provisions contained in this act, and may make and cause to be executed all such orders in relation thereto as they shall think proper.

SEC. 29. All the officers of said district, who shall be in office at the time this act takes effect, shall hold their offices and appointments, and continue to exercise the duties thereof, under and according to the provisions of this act, until the next annual district meeting, and until their successors shall be chosen and sworn.

SEC. 30. All those parts of the charter of the East Hartford Meadow Fire District and acts amending the same, not re-enacted in this act, and all acts relating to said district and to said town of East Hartford, which are inconsistent with, or superseded by, the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 31. This act shall not take effect until approved by the voters of the East Hartford Meadow District at some meeting or meetings, to be specially warned for the purpose, before the fourth Monday in June, 1921, and at such meetings the said voters shall have power to adopt such sections of this amendment of their charter as they may desire, and to reject such as they do not approve.

SEC. 32. All charges and expenses that may be incurred in procuring this revised and amended charter of the East Hartford Meadow District, shall be defrayed by said district by taxes on the polls and ratable estate within the limits of said district.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 748.]

[139.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE HOSPITAL CORPORATION
OF SOUTHTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Bradley H. Barnes, Marcus H. Holcomb, James H. Pratt, Edwin S. Todd, Dewey S. Blakeslee, Samuel H. MacKenzie, Paul C. Woodruff, Willard J. Gould, Thomas F. Welch, Luke E. Fichthorn, Charles H. Bissell, Lindsay P. Hutton, Michael J. Dunn, Joseph H. Martin, Almond J. Cutting, Charles E. Smith, Edwin N. Walkley, Boughton T. Noble, Edwin G. Lewis, Earl R. Cummings, Frederick M. Ellis, William S. Thomson, Alfred M. Smith, Frank N. Wells and Alexander T. Lindsay, all of Southington, and all such other persons as shall from time to time become associated with them and their successors, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Hospital Corporation of Southington, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a hospital in the town of Southington and for maintaining a public health service, dispensary and other forms of agencies for promoting the health of the inhabitants of that town; and by that name shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, and may purchase, take, receive and hold real and personal estate to such an amount as may be reasonably necessary for the purposes of said corporation; may sell and convey the same; may have a common seal and alter it at pleasure; may provide terms of admission to membership in the corporation, and may make and execute such by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to the laws of the state of Connecticut or of the United States, as shall be deemed necessary for the proper management of the affairs of the corporation.

SEC. 2. The members of said corporation shall, at an annual meeting to be held at such time and place as the by-laws of such corporation direct, elect from their own number by ballot and by a majority of the votes cast at such election, not less than nine nor more than twenty-one persons as trustees of said corporation. Of these trustees one-third shall be elected to hold office for the term of one year from that annual meeting, one-third for the term of two years from that meeting and one-third for the term of three years from that meeting, and in each year thereafter trustees shall be elected for the full term of three years to fill the vacancies caused by the expiration of the terms of the trustees in that year. The members of the corporation may from time to time designate the number of trustees of said corporation, and whenever the number is increased from time to time the terms of office of the additional trustees thus added to the board shall be apportioned so that approximately one-third thereof shall expire as hereinbefore pro-

vided on each of the three succeeding years, and the members of the corporation may in their by-laws provide that the first selectman of the town of Southington, ex officio, may be one of said trustees of said corporation; provided this provision shall not be operative in case, through a change in form of government, the selectmen of the town shall cease to have charge of matters of public health. In case of any vacancy in the membership of the board, the remainder of the trustees shall have the power to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term of the trustee whose place has become vacant. Five members of the corporation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the corporation.

SEC. 3. The board of trustees shall annually, at such time as the by-laws shall direct, elect by ballot from their number a president and vice-president, and shall also elect a secretary and a treasurer, who may be one and the same person, and such other executive and administrative committees or officials as the by-laws may prescribe, who shall hold office for one year and until others are elected in their stead. The trustees may elect as treasurer a corporation authorized by its charter or articles of incorporation to act in that capacity.

SEC. 4. Said board of trustees shall have power to manage and conduct all the business and affairs of the corporation and may make such rules and regulations not contrary to the by-laws of the corporation as may be necessary from time to time for the management of the corporation and its property and may appoint and employ such committee or committees, officers, physicians, surgeons, nurses and servants as it may deem necessary.

SEC. 5. All the property of said corporation which shall be actually held or used for the purpose of said corporation, including all money at interest, or investments, the revenue from which shall be used for the benefit of said corporation, shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 6. The first meeting of the corporation may be called by any three members thereof at such time and place as they shall appoint in said town of Southington, by mailing to each member a notice of such meeting and the time and place of holding the same at least five days prior to the holding thereof.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 502.]

[140.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE WALLINGFORD GAS LIGHT
COMPANY TO ISSUE MORTGAGE BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Wallingford Gas Light Company is authorized to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, and to secure the same by a mortgage upon its property and franchises, which bonds are to run for such length of time and to be of such denominations and to bear such rate of interest as the company may deem to be wise and for its best interests.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 113.]

[141.]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATE
POLICE ASSOCIATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of one thousand dollars in favor of the state police association, said sum to be in addition to the amount authorized to be paid under the provisions of chapter 277 of the public acts of 1919, and for the purposes specified in said chapter.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 599.]

[142.]

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
FOR DISCHARGED SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND MARINES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of fifty thousand dollars is appropriated for the purposes of chapter 336 of the public acts of 1919, provided the same shall be expended subject to the approval of the board of control, who shall participate with the treasurer of an organization provided for in said act in determining the applicants to whom the aid provided for in said act and herein shall be granted.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 560.]

[143.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PEOPLE'S ICE AND COLD STORAGE
COMPANY TO CONSTRUCT A SPUR TRACK.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The People's Ice and Cold Storage Company, a corporation located in the city of Bridgeport, is authorized to lay out, construct and maintain a spur track to connect the property of said company with the tracks of the electric railway of the American Tube and Stamping Company in said city upon the approval of said layout by the American Tube and Stamping Company.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 19.]

[144.]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE FORT
GRISWOLD TRACT COMMISSION.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The sum of five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the Fort Griswold Tract Commission for repairs and improvements.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 489.]

[145.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE GRACE HOSPITAL SOCIETY
TO ISSUE BONDS.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The Grace Hospital Society of New Haven, in accordance with a vote at a meeting duly warned and held for that purpose, may issue bonds to an amount not exceeding seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Such bonds shall be exempt from taxation, shall be secured by a mortgage upon real estate of the society, shall be signed by the president and treasurer of said society and shall mature at such time or times, be of such denominations and bear such rate of interest as shall be determined

by said society. Three hundred thousand dollars of the par value of such bonds, or such part thereof as may be necessary, shall be used for the purpose of retiring, either before or at maturity and caring for the existing bonds of said society.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 223.]

[146.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF HARTFORD TO ISSUE
BONDS FOR ITS ADDITIONAL WATER SUPPLY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The court of common council of the city of Hartford is hereby authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, bearing interest at a rate not greater than five per centum per annum, to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, the principal of which bonds shall be payable at some certain time or times not more than fifty years from the issuing of the same, as the court of common council may direct; and said court of common council may prescribe the amount of bonds which shall be issued, the form thereof, the rate of interest thereon, the time when the interest to be paid thereon shall accrue, and the price at which such bonds shall be sold, which may be less than their par value; and such bonds shall be denominated "Additional Water Supply Bonds of the City of Hartford" and may be issued in two or more series designated consecutively as "Twenty-first Series, Twenty-second Series" and upwards; and the avails of all bonds so issued shall be expended only for defraying the cost of constructing new reservoirs, filtration beds and filtration systems, aqueducts, canals and pipe lines for conveying water from reservoirs and sources of supply to said city, and for defraying the cost of acquiring titles to lands and rights and interests therein, including water rights, necessary or convenient for the location and construction of new reservoirs, filtration beds and filtration systems, aqueducts, canals and pipe lines for the purpose aforesaid, and for securing, conserving and protecting the watershed and the streams from which water may be taken. Such bonds, when issued, shall be obligatory upon said city and the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

Sec. 2. The treasurer of the city of Hartford shall be trustee of the bonds hereby authorized, to hold, dispose of and account for the same, subject to the orders and directions of the court of common council and the provisions of the charter of said city.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 92.]

[147.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL
COMPENSATION TO ROBERT McBURNEY FOR HIS
SERVICES AS MESSENGER OF THE SUPERIOR
COURT FOR NEW LONDON COUNTY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of six hundred dollars in favor of Robert McBurney of Norwich, as additional compensation for his services as messenger of the superior court for New London county from July 1, 1919, to June 30, 1921.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 88.]

[148.]

AN ACT PAYING THE ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY OF
NEW HAVEN COUNTY ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of one thousand dollars, in favor of Walter M. Pickett of New Haven, as additional compensation for his services as assistant to the state's attorney for New Haven county, from August 1, 1919, to the date of the passage of this act.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 424.]

[149.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE SCHAGHTICOKE
TRIBE OF INDIANS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of four hundred dollars is appropriated to be paid to the overseer of the Schaghticoke tribe of Indians and used for the maintenance, support, care and education of said Indians under the direction of the judge of the court of common pleas for Litchfield county.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 131.]

[150.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE STANLEY RULE
AND LEVEL COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The name of the Stanley Rule and Level Company is changed to The Stanley Securities Company, and by said new name said corporation is authorized to exercise its corporate franchises and have and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges granted by its original charter and by this amendment and by general law applicable to specially chartered corporations.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to buy, hold, sell and deal in real estate, corporate, municipal, government and other securities and interests therein and said powers and each and every power granted and business permitted to said corporation in its original charter as herein amended shall be considered a primary power of said corporation.

SEC. 3. Said corporation is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding in the whole five million dollars, in the manner and with the powers with respect to the increase, decrease or purchase of its stock permitted to specially chartered corporations by the general laws of this state.

SEC. 4. Sections eight and nine of an act approved May 11, 1903, and the amendment to said charter approved April 26, 1917, are repealed.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 940.]

[151.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING GUARDIANS IN TRUST OF THE POOR
UNDER THE WILL OF SAMUEL STAPLES TO
SELL REAL ESTATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The guardians in trust of the poor appointed by the towns of Easton and Weston under the provisions of the will of Samuel Staples, late of Fairfield, deceased, which will is dated January 7, 1787, and is recorded in Fairfield probate records, are authorized to sell and convey all of the real estate held by said guardians in trust under such terms and conditions as such guardians shall find most expedient and to invest the proceeds thereof in accordance with the laws relating to the invest-

ment of trust funds and to pay the income thereof to the towns of Easton and Weston in such proportions respectively as the number of enumerated pupils in each town bears to the total number of enumerated pupils in both towns. Said guardians in trust and their successors in office shall give bonds to said town, subject to the approval of the first selectmen of said towns, in such form, with sureties thereon, and in such sum not less than the amount of said fund, which bonds shall be conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of such guardians. Such guardians shall cause a certified copy of this act to be filed for record in the land records of the town where real estate held by them is located, within six months from the date of the passage hereof.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 254.]

[152.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE HARTFORD
ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Hartford Electric Light Company is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding twenty million dollars, provided such stock shall not be issued for less than par and shall be paid for in cash.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized, from time to time, to issue bonds for the purposes of its business and to dispose of them as shall be voted by its stockholders, provided that said bond issue or issues shall at no time exceed in the aggregate two-thirds of its outstanding full-paid capital stock, and may secure the same by mortgage on any part or all of its property and franchises, present or after-acquired or both.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 53.]

[153.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE SOMERSVILLE
MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The Somersville Manufacturing Company, incorporated by an act approved May 1, 1883, is authorized to increase its capital stock to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, said stock to be issued for not less than par and to be paid for in cash or its equivalent.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 132.]

[154.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE WARNER BROTHERS COMPANY
TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The Warner Brothers Company, incorporated by resolution approved June 14, 1893, is authorized to increase its capital stock, from time to time, to an amount not exceeding ten million dollars, the shares of which stock shall be of the par value of one hundred dollars each, and such additional stock shall not be issued at less than par, and shall be paid for in cash or its equivalent in property.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 879.]

[155.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE WATERBURY
AND MILLDALE TRAMWAY COMPANY MAY
CONSTRUCT ITS LINES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The time within which The Waterbury and Milldale Tramway Company may construct any of the lines or exercise the rights authorized by its charter, approved June 5, 1907, or any amendments thereto, is extended to the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 878.]

[156.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE WATERBURY
AND BRISTOL TRAMWAY COMPANY MAY
ORGANIZE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time within which The Waterbury and Bristol Tramway Company may organize and all rights granted under its charter as amended, are extended until the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 507.]

[157.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR ORGANIZING THE LIFE
AND GUARANTEE COMPANY OF HARTFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time for organizing The Life and Guarantee Company of Hartford is extended to May 16, 1923.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 353.]

[158.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE STANLEY WORKS
AND AUTHORIZING IT TO INCREASE
ITS CAPITAL STOCK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section three of the charter of The Stanley Works, approved June 4, 1901, as amended by section one of an act approved July 31, 1907, as amended by section one of an act approved April 13, 1915, is amended to read as follows: Said corporation, in addition to its present capital stock, common and preferred, is authorized to increase the same from time to time, by issuing additional common or preferred stock in such amounts as may be determined at any meeting or meetings of the stockholders specially warned for that purpose, by

a vote of at least two-thirds of the stock outstanding and entitled to vote upon such resolution, with authority to determine and define the incidents, powers, privileges and limitations of any additional preferred stock not inconsistent with the terms of preferred stock then outstanding, as such meeting or meetings may determine, provided no stock, common or preferred, shall be issued at less than par, payable in cash or property. Without limiting the powers now possessed by it, said corporation is vested with all the privileges and powers enumerated in parts I, II and III of the general corporation laws of this state as now existing or hereafter amended. Its officers and directors shall have the powers given to directors and officers of corporations in said parts I and II. Said corporation is authorized to add to and otherwise amend its corporate powers and purposes in the extent and manner permitted to corporations organized under part III of the general corporation laws, provided that the subject-matter of such changes could have been lawfully inserted in the original certificate of incorporation of a corporation organized under said part III and provided further that certificates of such changes be filed with the secretary of the state as therein provided.

SEC. 2. Section four of said charter is amended to read as follows: The stock, property and affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a board of not less than five directors who shall be chosen annually to hold office for one year and until others are chosen. A majority of the directors, at any legal meeting, shall constitute a board for the transaction of business and shall have power to fill any vacancy in said board of directors for the then current year. But so long as there is outstanding preferred stock of said company with limited voting power, as hitherto issued and now outstanding, having a power at a separate meeting of preferred stockholders to elect a limited number of the directors of said company, in the event of a vacancy among the directors so elected by the preferred stock, the remaining preferred directors may fill such vacancy for the then current year.

SEC. 3. Section five of said charter is amended to read as follows: The board of directors shall annually choose from among their own number, a president, and shall have power to appoint or employ one or more vice-presidents, a secretary, a treasurer and such other officers, agents, committees and employees as they may deem expedient and to define their duties subject to the by-laws of said company.

SEC. 4. The foregoing amendment shall become operative when approved by a vote of two-thirds of the common stock of said company at an annual or special meeting, the call for which shall contain notice of such proposed action and upon lodging of a certificate of such acceptance for record in the office of the secretary of the state.

SEC. 5. Section seven of said charter is repealed.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 133.]

[159.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE
BRIDGEPORT GAS LIGHT COMPANY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section five of the resolution incorporating The Bridgeport Gas Light Company, adopted in the year 1849, as amended by resolution approved July 26, 1909, is amended to read as follows: The government and direction of the affairs of the company shall be vested in a board of not less than nine nor more than fifteen directors who shall be chosen by the stockholders annually; and said directors shall elect one of their number to be the chairman of the board of directors, and one of their number to be president, and shall also elect or appoint one or more vice-presidents as may be provided by the by-laws of the company, and a secretary and treasurer and such assistant secretaries and treasurers as may be provided by the by-laws. The treasurer shall give bonds with surety to said company in such sum as said directors may require for the faithful discharge of his trust.

SEC. 2. This act may be accepted by The Bridgeport Gas Light Company and a certificate of such acceptance may be filed with the secretary of the state at any time within one year after its passage.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 945.]

[160.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORWICH TO
ISSUE BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Norwich is hereby authorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate two hundred and seventy-one thousand dollars, bearing interest, payable semi-annually, at a rate not greater than five per centum per annum, the principal of said bonds to be payable at a time or times not exceeding thirty years from the date thereof. Said bonds shall not be issued at less than par, and the funds realized from the sale thereof shall be expended solely for the redemption of the bonds in amount two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, heretofore issued by said city, under authority of section 499 and 500 of the general statutes, maturing May 16, 1921, and for the redemption of a certain note or notes in the amount of

forty-six thousand dollars heretofore issued by said city, payable on demand, under the authority of said sections 499 and 500.

SEC. 2. The court of common council of said city shall prescribe, subject to the limitations of this act, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, the form of the same, the rate of interest to be paid thereon, not exceeding the rate aforesaid, the times and places of paying such interest and principal, and the person or persons who shall execute the same on behalf of said city; and such bonds, when executed in the manner so prescribed, and issued and delivered by said city or by its officers or agents duly authorized by said court of common council, shall be obligatory on said city and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

Approved, April 20, 1921.

[House Bill No. 747.]

[161.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE DIRECTORS OF
THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of a resolution amending the charter of the Directors of the Missionary Society of Connecticut, approved February 28, 1884, is amended to read as follows: The said corporation is also authorized and empowered to take and hold any and all transfers, conveyances, gifts, devises and bequests of real and personal estate, which may be made to it, on trust, condition or otherwise, for the support of the institutions, ecclesiastical societies, churches or missionary work generally of the Congregational denomination of this state; or for the promotion of any of the general interests of the Congregational churches of this state, according to the resolutions and declarations, from time to time, of the general conference of the Congregational churches of Connecticut; or for the support of any particular and designated institution, ecclesiastical society, church, parish or local missionary or religious work or organization; and to execute, perform and carry out any and all conditions, uses and trusts which may be imposed upon such transfers, conveyances, gifts, devises and bequests or may be connected therewith; and to manage, invest, sell, devise, convey or otherwise dispose of such estate; and to appropriate and apply the net income thereof to any and all of the purposes and objects above declared; subject, in each and every case, to the specific trusts, directions, limitations or conditions contained in such transfer, conveyance, gift, devise or bequest; and provided said corporation shall not hold property under the provisions of this section of a greater aggregate annual net income than

forty thousand dollars; and that the property held under this section shall be free from taxation. No misnomer of said corporation shall defeat or vitiate any deed, will or other instrument so as to prevent said corporation from taking benefit thereof, if it shall appear that it was the intention of the grantor, testator or other party, to name or describe the said corporation.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 676.]

[162.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF POLICE
COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF MILFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section five of an act creating a board of police commissioners for the town of Milford, approved April 13, 1915, as amended by section one of an act approved May 8, 1919, is amended to read as follows: Said board of police commissioners is authorized to license and regulate peddling, selling from samples, auctions in and upon the streets and sidewalks of the town of Milford, sports, exhibitions, amusements and performances within said town, to regulate the parking of vehicles upon the streets of said town, to regulate and control the use of bathing suits by persons while using the streets and other public places of said town and to provide penalties for the violation of said by-laws.

SEC. 2. Section eight of said act as amended by section two of an act approved May 8, 1919, is amended to read as follows: Before passing any regulation or ordinance in reference to peddling, selling from samples, auctions, sports, exhibitions, public amusements, performances, the parking of vehicles or the use of bathing suits within said town, said board shall give to the citizens a reasonable opportunity to be heard with reference thereto at a meeting of said board, notice of which meeting shall be given by publishing such proposed regulations or ordinances, with a notice of the time and place of hearing thereon, in some newspaper published or having a circulation in said town, at least five days before the time fixed for such meeting. Any such meeting may be adjourned from time to time.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 439.]

[163.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF CITY OF MIDDLETOWN
CONCERNING THE HOURS OF VOTING IN CITY MEETINGS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section seven of the charter of the city of Middletown as amended by an act amending the charter of the city of Middletown concerning hours of voting at city meetings, approved June 5, 1907, is amended by striking out in the sixth line of said section the word "six" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eight," and also by striking out in the seventh line of said section the word "two" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eight," so that the sentence as amended shall read as follows: The ballot boxes for the reception of ballots for such officers at such meetings shall be opened at eight o'clock in the morning and continue open until eight o'clock in the evening when they shall be closed.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 23.]

[164.]

**AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
CHESTER S. SELLECK.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Chester S. Selleck of Norwalk by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 678.]

[165.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CREATING A DEPARTMENT OF
FINANCE IN THE TOWN OF SEYMOUR.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section four of an act creating a department of finance in the town of Seymour, approved April 10, 1917, is amended to read as follows: On the first Wednesday after the first Monday in October in each year said board shall hold a meeting, and may adjourn said meeting from time to time until the second Wednesday following, and at such

meeting, and adjournments thereof, if any are had, shall make estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for the expenses of said town of Seymour for the fiscal year beginning on September first, preceding the annual town meeting, and said board, at its discretion, may recommend appropriations for paying off any part of the debt of the town, for providing a fund for any public improvements or for the indebtedness of said town, and all expenses or liabilities of said town, and shall classify such appropriations under proper heads. Said board shall give notice to each board or department of said town of a definite time when and place where it will meet to consider the needs of such board or department. The meetings of said board shall be open to the public. Such appropriations, as recommended, shall be filed in the town clerk's office in the town of Seymour on or before the next ensuing third Wednesday after the first Monday in October; and such appropriations recommended shall be submitted by the board of selectmen at the annual town business meeting, which shall hereafter be held on the fourth Monday in October in each year at the usual place of holding town meetings, in said town of Seymour. Said annual town business meeting shall have power to decrease the appropriations, or any item thereof, but in no case shall it have power to increase the appropriations, or any item thereof. The appropriations recommended shall be the appropriations of the town of Seymour for the ensuing year, unless such appropriations be decreased by said annual town business meeting, but the total amount of appropriations for any year shall not exceed the estimated income for that year, nor shall any board of selectmen or town school committee of said town, nor the town in special town meeting incur, or vote to incur, any liability or expense, by contract or otherwise, for which said town shall be responsible, in excess of the appropriations so made by said board. Said board of finance shall meet within five days after the completion of the grand list by the board of relief, and shall recommend such rate of taxation as will be sufficient, together with the other income of the town, to meet the appropriations as made at the annual town business meeting. Said rate of taxation shall be filed in the town clerk's office in the town of Seymour on or before the next ensuing Wednesday and said rate of taxation shall be submitted by the board of selectmen at an adjourned town meeting to be held during the week next following the filing of the rate in the town clerk's office. Said rate of taxation may be changed by said town meeting, but shall not be decreased to a point insufficient to meet the appropriations as made at the annual town business meeting.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 434.]

[166.]

AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF FINANCE IN THE TOWN
OF SOUTH WINDSOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the town of South Windsor a board of finance, composed of the first selectman, the chairman of the town school committee, the chairman of the board of assessors and four other electors of said town who shall hold no salaried office. The members of said board shall be sworn to a faithful performance of their duties. No member shall receive compensation for his services as such, but the necessary expenses of the board, when approved, shall be paid by the town.

SEC. 2. Within thirty days after the passage of this act, the town officers named in section one, shall meet and appoint said four electors as members of said board, two of whom shall be appointed to serve until the first day of January, 1922, and two until the first day of January, 1923. Said board shall, during the month of December, 1921, and annually thereafter, appoint two electors of said town, as members of said board, to hold office for the term of two years from the first day of January next preceding. In making appointments to the board of finance, the various sections of the town shall be given representation. During the month of January said board shall elect its chairman, who shall hold his office for the period of one year and until his successor is elected and qualified and who shall hold no other salaried office.

SEC. 3. Said board of finance shall elect a clerk, whose compensation shall be fixed and whose duties shall be prescribed by said board. Said board, at any regular or special meeting shall fill any vacancy in its membership, who shall serve for the remainder of the term for which he is appointed and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

SEC. 4. Said board shall annually prepare and present to the annual town meeting itemized estimates of the expenditures of the town for the ensuing fiscal year, and shall recommend a properly classified budget of appropriations therefor; and shall exhibit the expenditures of the town during the preceding fiscal year and the amount of revenue which it is estimated will be received during the ensuing fiscal year from all sources except that of taxes to be raised on the grand list next to be completed, and such statement shall also contain an itemized list of the debts and obligations of said town. Said meeting shall take action upon such recommendation and make such specific appropriations as may appear advisable. Any appropriation recommended by the board of finance may be approved or reduced by a majority vote, or may be increased by a two-thirds vote. After determining the appropriations

and transacting other business except as to the tax rate, said meeting shall adjourn to a day after the grand list has been completed by the board of relief. Said board of finance shall recommend to said adjourned town meeting such rate of taxation as it shall deem necessary and sufficient to meet the current expenses of the town. Such tax shall be laid as such meeting shall determine, provided no tax shall be levied which, in addition to the other estimated yearly income of the town, shall be insufficient to pay the expenses of the town for the current year.

SEC. 5. The town of South Windsor may, at a meeting legally warned and held, instruct its board of finance, to employ a certified accountant to examine and verify the town accounts and all matters appertaining thereto, prepare the same for publication and make sworn report thereon, as may be directed by the board employing said auditors under said vote, and the expense of such audit shall be paid by said town. Said vote may be rescinded at any town meeting, duly warned and held, and the provisions of the general statutes relating to the election and duties of town auditors shall become inoperative so far as the same shall affect the town of South Windsor during the time said vote shall remain in force, but shall again become operative should said vote be rescinded.

SEC. 6. The Town of South Windsor may, at a meeting legally warned and held, authorize and direct the board of finance to appoint any trust company, incorporated under the laws of this state and authorized to act in such capacity, as treasurer of said town, and such treasurer shall succeed to the duties and powers of town treasurers. Such treasurer shall hold office until his successor is appointed and his salary shall be fixed by said board and paid by said town. Such vote may be rescinded at any town meeting, duly warned and held, and the provisions of the general statutes relating to the election of town treasurers shall become inoperative so far as the same shall affect the town of South Windsor during the time said vote shall remain in force, but shall again become operative should said vote be rescinded.

SEC. 7. The town of South Windsor may, at a meeting legally warned and held, authorize, empower and direct the board of finance to have and exercise the same powers and perform the same duties in relation to the lay-out, care and maintenance of public highways in said town as are prescribed by law for selectmen to have, exercise and perform; and the board of finance thereupon shall succeed to the duties and powers of selectmen in relation to the lay-out, care and maintenance of public highways in said town. Such vote may be rescinded at any town meeting, duly warned and held, and the provisions of the general statutes relating to the powers and duties of selectmen in the lay-out, care and maintenance of public highways so far as they shall affect the town of South Windsor shall become inoperative during the

time said vote shall remain in force, but shall again become operative should said vote be rescinded.

SEC. 8. The town of South Windsor may, at a meeting, legally warned and held, authorize, empower and direct the board of finance to exercise the same powers and perform the same duties as are permitted under the provisions of chapter 31 of the general statutes to be exercised and performed by the officers of fire, sewer and other districts, and thereupon, except as otherwise provided, the laws relating to fire, sewer and other districts, *mutatis mutandis*, shall apply to said town of South Windsor. Such vote may be rescinded at a town meeting duly warned and held but shall not be rescinded until the expiration of two years from the date when such vote became operative.

SEC. 9. The board of finance shall annually appoint a collector of town taxes and also a special collector or collectors to collect personal taxes, and may appoint as such collector or collectors any trust company, incorporated under the laws of this state and authorized to act in such capacity, and each shall have the same powers and perform the same duties in relation to the collection of town taxes and personal taxes in said town as are prescribed by law, except as modified by this act, and each shall hold office for the term of one year from the first day of October, next succeeding. So much of the general statutes as relates to the election of tax collector and the appointment of a collector of personal taxes shall become inoperative so far as the same shall affect the town of South Windsor.

SEC. 10. Said board of finance may divide the fiscal year into periods and designate the portion of said classified appropriations that may be expended during such periods.

SEC. 11. The board of finance shall have the powers and duties conferred by the general statutes on the board of selectmen of said town, relating to the abatement of taxes, and it shall meet annually on the first Monday of September to hear petitions for the abatement of taxes.

SEC. 12. Said board of finance is authorized to create a sinking fund for the purpose of retiring notes, bonds and other obligations of said town, to recommend appropriations to said sinking fund, to appoint a suitable person, or a trust company incorporated under the laws of the state, to act as treasurer of said fund, and to fix the compensation of such treasurer. Said treasurer, upon receiving such appointment, shall, in case of an individual, give bond with sufficient surety to said town of South Windsor, in an amount satisfactory to said board, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties; and said board shall direct said treasurer to pay and cancel existing notes and bonds and other obligations of said town, as said board may, from time to time, deem advisable.

SEC. 13. Said board of finance is authorized to prescribe the system of accounting to be used in all departments of the town's business, and may alter or amend the same from time to time.

SEC. 14. Said board of finance may, from time to time, authorize the board of selectmen to borrow, in the name of said town, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of said town, and to execute notes or other evidences of indebtedness therefor, provided no note or other evidence of indebtedness shall be issued for a period longer than six months, and said board of selectmen shall pay and cancel such notes when due.

SEC. 15. The board of finance shall hold meetings from time to time; and prior to the preparation of the budget of appropriations required under section four of this act shall hold a public meeting at which it shall hear all persons who may wish to be heard in regard to any appropriation which they are desirous that said board shall recommend.

SEC. 16. No officer shall expend or enter into any contract by which the town of South Windsor shall become liable for any sum which, with any contract then in force, shall exceed the appropriation for the department, except in cases of necessity connected with the repair of highways and bridges and the care of town poor, and then not to exceed one hundred dollars. Should any occasion arise whereby more money is needed for any department of the town than has been appropriated as provided for in this act, the selectmen shall notify the board of finance of such fact, and the chairman of said board shall forthwith call a meeting thereof to consider the appropriation for such department and said board may make the necessary appropriation therefor, after inquiry, but if the amount required shall exceed five hundred dollars, such appropriation shall not be made until upon the recommendation of said board the same has been voted by the town at a meeting called for such purpose. If such appropriation is made after the laying of the tax the amount of such appropriation shall be included in and made a part of the next tax levied.

SEC. 17. Should any officer, in violation of any provision of this act, expend or cause to be expended any money of the town of South Windsor except for the purpose of paying judgments rendered against the town, he shall be liable in a civil action in the name of the town, and the amount so drawn from the treasury of the town shall be liquidated damages in such action against any such officer.

SEC. 18. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are repealed so far as they effect the town of South Windsor.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 589.]

[167.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
JAMES H. McCRANN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by James H. McCrann of New Britain by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 22.]

[168.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
HARRY DELLACCA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Harry Dellacca of Bridgeport by reason of conviction of crime are hereby restored.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 661.]

[169.]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TOWN COURT OF
WINDSOR LOCKS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There is established, in the town of Windsor Locks, a court to be styled and called the town court of Windsor Locks, which shall have jurisdiction of all crimes and misdemeanors and nuisances committed within said town, and all breaches and violations of the by-laws and regulations of said town, punishable by a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, or by imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment; also for the recovery of all fines, penalties and forfeitures for the violation of any of the laws of this state, or of the by-laws or regulations of the town of Windsor Locks, wherein the fine, penalty or forfeiture does not exceed in amount the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, or imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months, or both; and said court shall have

power to proceed to trial, render judgment and grant warrant of execution to carry into effect and to enforce any order or judgment of said court; provided the accused in all cases may appeal to the next superior court for Hartford county having criminal jurisdiction, and upon such appeal he shall give a recognizance, with surety to the state, conditioned that he shall appear before said superior court to answer to the complaint and abide the order and judgment of said court thereon, and, on his failure to enter into said recognizance, said court shall order him to be committed to the jail in said county until the next term of said superior court, there to answer to said complaint and abide the order and judgment of said superior court thereon.

SEC. 2. Said court shall be held to be a police court and said court and the judge thereof shall have all the powers by law conferred upon police courts and the judges thereof.

SEC. 3. Said court shall also have and exercise, within said town all the authorities and powers which justices of the peace have and exercise in all matters of a criminal form and nature and actions in rem, and may proceed therein in such manner as such justices of the peace may do; and no grand juror or prosecuting agent shall make complaint either to said court or to a justice of the peace, of any criminal matter arising within the town of Windsor Locks, nor shall any justice of the peace take cognizance of any action or complaint or action in rem arising within the town of Windsor Locks.

SEC. 4. There shall be a judge and deputy judge of said court, to be appointed by the general assembly, and they shall take the oath provided for judicial officers, and shall hold their respective offices for two years, commencing on the first Monday of June next following their appointment and until others are appointed and qualified in their stead. The deputy judge shall, in case of a vacancy in the office of the judge, or in his absence, disqualification or inability, or at his request, act as the judge of said court, and shall, while so acting have all the powers of said judge.

SEC. 5. Said court shall be legally constituted for the exercise of any of the powers or jurisdiction conferred by this act, whenever the judge or deputy judge thereof shall be present; and said court shall proceed in all cases without a jury; may issue subpoenas and warrants of capias for witnesses, warrants of arrest upon complaints made to it of crimes, and all other criminal process and administer justice in all criminal matters whereof this act gives jurisdiction according to law; and may hold the accused for trial in the superior court for Hartford county, in cases beyond the jurisdiction of said town court, or in cases where, in the opinion of said court, the offense charged against the accused is of so aggravated a character as to require a greater punishment than said town court can impose; said court may adjourn any case to a future time, and require a recognizance for the appearance of the accused, or, in default thereof, may commit him to jail to await the time of

trial; when the court may have final jurisdiction of the case, the recognizance shall be to the town of Windsor Locks, and in all other cases, and upon appeals and binding over to the superior court, the recognizance shall be to the state.

SEC. 6. The judge of said court shall annually appoint a prosecuting attorney and an assistant prosecuting attorney to act in the absence or at the request of the prosecuting attorney, who shall have all the powers of the prosecuting attorney while acting in his stead, both of whom shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties. Within the cognizance and jurisdiction of said town court, and as may be provided and restricted by this act, said attorney shall exercise the same authority and perform the same duties as are now provided by law for state's attorneys in their several counties, and said attorney shall further have the same power and authority as are or may hereafter be conferred upon grand jurors or prosecuting agents by the general statutes.

SEC. 7. It shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney diligently to inquire after and make due presentment and complaint to said court of all crimes, misdemeanors and other criminal matters whereof said court has jurisdiction, or wherein said court may proceed, whether committed before or after his appointment to office, but in case of urgent necessity he may make such presentment or complaint to any justice of the peace for Hartford county residing in Windsor Locks, or to the judge or deputy judge of said court, who may issue a warrant for the arrest of the accused person, commanding the proper officer or indifferent person to arrest such accused person and bring him before said court, and the accused shall be by said court dealt with in the same manner as though said presentment or complaint had been made to said court, and said warrant issued thereby.

SEC. 8. Said attorney shall collect, in the name of the town of Windsor Locks, and by suit when necessary, all forfeited bonds payable to said town, and shall pay all sums received by him into the town treasury; and said attorney and assistant attorney may issue subpoenas for witnesses to appear before said court in criminal cases. They shall each give a bond to the town of Windsor Locks, with surety to the acceptance of the selectmen, in such amount as such selectmen shall fix, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duty.

SEC. 9. The judge or deputy judge of said court shall act as clerk thereof, and shall keep the records thereof, and certify the same and copies thereof, and said judge shall receive all fines and costs paid before commitment; and all fines and costs paid after commitment to the keeper of the jail, or other place where the offender is confined, shall be paid by such keeper to the judge. Said judge shall also draw from the superior court all sums taxed in it for costs in said town court, in cases coming before said superior court from said town court by appeal, binding over or otherwise, including all costs in cases before said town court, when the accused shall be discharged for want of probable cause,

and the offense charged is beyond the jurisdiction of said court. All fines, costs and other sums coming into his hands shall be paid by said judge into the town treasury for the use thereof; and said judge shall draw orders on the treasurer for all such costs and fees that may be taxed by said court in any criminal case and payable from the town treasury, and costs and fees shall be paid only to those persons in whose favor they may have been taxed, or on their written order.

SEC. 10. No fees for attendance at court, keeping a prisoner, or for assistance in making an arrest, shall be taxed or allowed to any officer serving criminal process, unless said court shall find that such attendance, keeping or assistance was necessary; said court may tax and allow legal fees, in its discretion, to any officer making arrests, when the offender was apprehended in the act, or on the speedy information of others. No fees shall be allowed to any bystander as a witness before said court, nor shall any person be entitled to receive any costs, unless demand shall be made therefor within thirty days after the same shall become due.

SEC. 11. The judge shall account to the treasurer of said town quarterly, under such regulations as the selectmen shall prescribe, for all moneys received by him under the provisions of this act, and shall pay said moneys at said times of accounting into the treasury of said town. He shall execute a penal bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, with surety satisfactory to the selectmen, for the faithful discharge of his duties in the care and custody of and accounting for all moneys received by him under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 12. The judge of said court shall receive a salary of four hundred dollars per annum, and the deputy judge a salary of fifty dollars per annum, but if the deputy judge shall be required to act in more than one-ninth of the cases before said court, his compensation shall be increased so as to be proportional to the number of cases tried, and such additional compensation shall be deducted from the compensation of the judge. The salary of the prosecuting attorney shall be four hundred dollars, and the salary of the assistant prosecuting attorney shall be fifty dollars per annum; but if the assistant prosecuting attorney shall be required to act in more than one-ninth of the cases before said court, his compensation shall be increased so as to be proportional to the number of cases prosecuted, and such additional compensation shall be deducted from the compensation of the prosecuting attorney. The salaries and compensation provided in this section shall be in lieu of all fees whatever for the services of said officers arising from the business of said court, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town upon the order of the judge of said court.

SEC. 13. The same costs shall be taxed in said court as are taxed in similar cases before justices of the peace, except that two dollars docket fee, three dollars for the trial of each case and one dollar on each appeal shall be taxed; and if actually engaged more than one day

in the trial of such case, two dollars for each day after the first day that said court is so engaged. All copies in cases going to the superior court from said town court by appeal, binding over or otherwise, shall, with the addition last mentioned, be taxed the same as in similar cases going to the superior court from justices of the peace. All costs for services of process and witness fees, and other costs taxable by law, and not for services within the duty of the judge, deputy judge, prosecuting attorney or assistant prosecuting attorney, shall be paid out of the town treasury upon the order of the judge or deputy judge.

SEC. 14. Said court may reduce or disallow fees taxable by said court in cases where the negligence of any ministerial officer or the discharge of the accused for want of sufficient evidence, or the insufficiency of the services rendered, or other circumstances, shall render such reduction or disallowance just, in the opinion of the court.

SEC. 15. All process issued by said town court shall be signed by the judge or deputy judge; subpoenas to procure the attendance of witnesses before said court may be signed by the judge, deputy judge, prosecuting attorney or assistant prosecuting attorney; bonds or recognizances on the continuance of any case, or on binding over or appeal to the superior court, shall be taken by the judge or deputy judge, and bonds for appearance at said court to answer may be taken by the judge, the deputy judge, the prosecuting attorney or the assistant prosecuting attorney; and the authority taking such bond for appearance shall note on the warrant the name of the surety, the amount of the bond and the date and hour at which the accused is to appear before said court, which entry shall be a part of the file of said case. Neither said judge nor deputy judge shall be disqualified to act in any case from which money by penalty, or otherwise, shall accrue to the town of Windsor Locks by reason of their being residents or taxpayers of said town.

SEC. 16. Whenever any person shall be arraigned before said court for drunkenness, vagrancy, disorderly conduct or breach of the peace, said court may indefinitely suspend the execution of the sentence, whenever such suspension may seem to the court reasonable, either by reason of the age of the accused or the circumstances of the case.

SEC. 17. Sureties of the peace and good behavior may be required by said court in such cases and in such manner as justices of the peace are now authorized by law to require the same; and said court may require sureties of the peace and good behavior, in addition to or in lieu of any penalty imposed by said court in cases brought by said prosecuting attorney; whenever a prayer therefor shall be inserted in said complaint and the interests of justice require it.

SEC. 18. Said town court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of bastardy suits, and may proceed therein in the same manner and to the same extent that justices of the peace may do.

SEC. 19. The selectmen of said town shall provide a court room and such other accommodations as the judge shall deem necessary, and

also record books, blanks, stationery and other necessary articles therefor.

SEC. 20. The judge or deputy judge may, whenever he deems it necessary, appoint an officer to attend any session thereof for the purpose of preserving order, and the court may tax reasonable fees for such attendance in the case for which such appointment was made.

SEC. 21. In case of a vacancy in the office of judge or deputy judge of said court, or in case of the absence or inability of both, the prosecuting attorney may cite in any justice of the peace for Hartford county, residing in said town, who, during the continuance of such vacancy, absence or inability, may hold said court and exercise the same powers as the judge of said court; but complaints shall be made to him only by the prosecuting attorney or assistant prosecuting attorney and costs shall be taxed as is provided in this act. Said justice of the peace shall be paid by the town the fees provided by law for justices of the peace, and said pay shall be deducted from the compensation of the judge.

SEC. 22. This act shall take effect on the first Monday of June, 1921, but it shall be lawful for the general assembly to appoint the judge and deputy judge of said court at any time after the passage of this act.

Approved, April 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 663.]

[170.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
CONCERNING THE FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the city of Hartford a firemen's relief fund, which shall consist of moneys received from the following sources: All bequests or donations to the fire department from private or public sources for the purposes for which this fund is constituted; monthly assessments on the salaries or pay of members of the fire department, not exceeding one per centum per annum thereof, as the board of trustees of said relief fund shall, from time to time, determine; all fines imposed by the board of fire commissioners, from time to time, upon any member or members of the fire department by way of discipline; all moneys received from the sale of condemned, unfit or unserviceable property under the control of the board of fire commissioners, where the same does not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars in value for any one article; all rewards, fees, gifts or emoluments that may be paid or given for extraordinary services rendered by an officer or member of the fire department, except when allowed to be retained by such officer or member by the board of fire commissioners; such sums of money as shall be appropriated to said relief fund from the

treasury of the city by the court of common council thereof; the fund now known as "The Firemen's Relief Fund."

SEC. 2. Said relief fund shall be under the general charge of a board of trustees composed of three fire commissioners, to be elected annually by the board of fire commissioners, the treasurer of the city of Hartford, and three firemen in the active service of the Hartford fire department, who at the time of their election shall have had at least fire years' active service in the department, and who shall be elected, by a majority vote of the entire department, in the manner provided in section three of this act. The new members of the board of trustees shall take office on the first day of October in each year and shall continue in office until their successors are chosen and have qualified. Any vacancies occurring in said board shall be filled for the unexpired term by special election of the board of fire commissioners, or of the fire department, as the case may be. The board of trustees shall, annually, within two weeks after the first day of October, organize and choose, from their own number, a president and a secretary of the board to serve for the ensuing year. The treasurer of the city of Hartford shall, by virtue of his office, be the treasurer of said board. The board of trustees shall have discretionary power to make and change the investments of said fund; they may make rules and regulations, consistent with the provisions of this act, concerning the operation and management of said fund, the times and method of election of members of the board of trustees and the form of application for relief, and may do all things necessary and proper towards carrying out the purposes of said fund. All orders drawn against said relief fund shall be signed by the president and countersigned by the secretary of said board.

SEC. 3. An election for trustee or trustees of the firemen's relief fund from the fire department shall be held annually at such time and place and under such regulations as the board of trustees shall appoint, but not later than the month of September. At least ten days' notice of such election shall be given. At the election to be held in the year 1921 for the election of three trustees to take office on the first day of October, 1921, one trustee shall be elected for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, and one for a term of three years, and thereafter one such trustee shall be elected in each year to serve for a term of three years. Special elections shall be held to fill vacancies in similar manner and upon like notice.

SEC. 4. The said board of trustees shall report to the court of common council annually, not later than the month of February, the condition of said fund, with all the items of receipts and disbursements on account thereof. If the income of the firemen's relief fund shall be found at any time insufficient to meet the requirements upon it, the court of common council, upon the application of said board of trustees, shall make an appropriation to make good such deficiency, and any

prospective deficiency in the income of said fund shall be provided for by the court of common council in its annual appropriations.

SEC. 5. From this relief fund said board of trustees, by a majority vote, may appropriate and cause to be paid such sums and at such times as they may deem advisable, except as hereinafter provided, to the following persons and for the following purposes: First. Any permanent member of said fire department who, upon such medical examination as the board of fire commissioners and said board of trustees may prescribe, shall be declared permanently disabled for the performance of ordinary duty, as the result of injury received or exposure endured in the performance of duty, shall be retired on one-half the yearly compensation received by said member at the time of retirement, but such retirement may be revoked at any time if the disability shall be removed, and said member shall thereupon be returned to active duty in the fire department on occasion of the first vacancy. Second. Any member of said fire department, whose term of service includes six or more years of continuous, permanent service, who becomes incapacitated from sickness contracted or injuries received while not in the actual performance of duty, and who, upon such medical examination as the board of fire commissioners and said board of trustees may prescribe, shall be declared permanently disabled for the performance of ordinary duty, may be retired upon the request of the board of fire commissioners, and when retired said board of trustees may direct annual compensation upon the following basis: If the term of service of said retired member includes six years of continuous, permanent service, said annual compensation shall not exceed two per centum of the yearly compensation received by said member at the time of retirement; if his term of service includes more than six years of continuous, permanent service, the board of trustees may increase the annual compensation by allowing an additional two per centum for each year of continuous, permanent service rendered beyond six years, provided that if his term of service includes thirty or more years of continuous, permanent service, said annual compensation shall not exceed fifty per centum of his yearly compensation at the time of retirement. Third. Any permanent member of said department, whose term of service includes both call service and permanent service, and who shall be retired after thirty years of continuous, meritorious service, shall, when retired, receive one-half the yearly compensation received by said member at the time of retirement.

SEC. 6. The board of fire commissioners shall permanently retire any member of the fire department, upon the written request of such member, when said member has performed thirty years of continuous, meritorious service, and said member of the fire department, upon such retirement by said board of fire commissioners, shall receive from said relief fund, not to exceed one-half the yearly compensation received by said member at the time of retirement. In the event of the death of

a retired member, his widow, while unmarried, shall receive not more than one-half of the yearly compensation received by said retired member at the time of his death. If any member shall marry after being retired and placed on the relief fund, neither his widow nor his children by said marriage shall, upon his death, participate in, or be entitled to any of the benefits accruing from said relief fund.

SEC. 7. When any member of said fire department shall have been killed while in the performance of duty, or shall have died from the effects of injuries received in the performance of duty, said board of trustees shall, upon the request of the board of fire commissioners, direct annual compensation to be paid to his widow or other dependents hereinafter designated, not exceeding one-half the yearly compensation received by said member at the time he was killed, or when such injuries resulting in his death were received. Said annual compensation shall be paid from said relief fund to the widow of the deceased member; if he leaves no widow, to his child or children under the age of sixteen years, or over said age but physically or mentally incapacitated from earning a livelihood. If his widow re-marries, said annual compensation shall no longer be paid to her, but shall be paid to or for such children as are under sixteen years of age, or who are physically or mentally incapacitated from earning a livelihood. If said deceased member shall leave no widow, or children under sixteen years of age, or over said age who are physically or mentally incapacitated from earning a livelihood, then said annual compensation shall be paid to such dependent father, mother, sister or other dependents as he may leave. Said annual compensation shall be payable in installments and for such periods as said board of trustees shall direct, provided that such payments to his widow shall cease if she shall re-marry and payment for each child shall cease as such child attains the age of sixteen years, except a child physically or mentally incapacitated from earning a livelihood, in which case said payments shall cease when said incapacity is removed; and payments to any other dependent shall cease if such dependent shall marry. When any member of said fire department, whose term of service includes six or more years of continuous, permanent service shall have died from sickness contracted or injuries received while not in the actual performance of duties, said board of trustees shall, upon the request of the board of fire commissioners, direct annual compensation to be paid to his widow or other dependents hereinafter designated upon the following basis: If the term of service of said member at the time of his death includes six years of continuous, permanent service, said annual compensation shall not exceed one per centum of his yearly compensation at the time of his death; if said term of service includes more than six years of continuous, permanent service, said annual compensation may be increased one per centum for each year of continuous, permanent service beyond six years, provided that if his term of service includes thirty or more years of continuous, permanent

service, said annual compensation shall not exceed twenty-five per centum of his yearly compensation at the time of his death. Said annual compensation shall be paid from said relief fund to the widow of the deceased member, or to or for his other dependents in the same manner and under the same limitations as hereinbefore in this section provided in the case of compensation to the widow or other dependents of a member of said fire department who shall have been killed while in the performance of duty, or shall have died from the effects of injuries received in the performance of duty.

SEC. 8. Substitute members of the fire department may receive benefits under this act subject to such regulations as the board of trustees of the relief fund may prescribe. Any such substitute member, detailed for permanent duty or special duty, who, upon such medical examination as the board of fire commissioners and said board of trustees may prescribe, shall be declared permanently disabled for the performance of ordinary duty, as the result of injury received or exposure endured in the performance of duty, may be retired on not more than one-half the yearly compensation received by a permanent member for the first year of service in the fire department. Such retirement may be revoked at any time if the disability shall be removed, and said substitute shall thereupon be restored to the substitute roll.

SEC. 9. The secretary of the board of trustees shall record all proceedings and votes taken by said board in reference to said fund and payments therefrom, stating the name and vote of each member of said board of trustees upon any matter relating thereto.

SEC. 10. Any member of the fire department who shall neglect or refuse to pay whatever assessments may be laid by said board of trustees shall not be entitled to any benefits from said fund.

SEC. 11. The board of trustees shall have power to make all rules and regulations necessary to carry the foregoing provisions into effect.

Approved, April 28, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 125.]

[171.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MADISON TO
ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The town of Madison is authorized to issue serial bonds to an amount not to exceed one hundred and sixty thousand dollars. Said bonds shall be known as "Madison School Bonds" and the proceeds from the sale thereof shall be used for the purpose of erection of, and addition to, schoolhouses in said town and the equipment of the same. Such bonds shall be serial bonds and shall be signed by the first selectman of the

town, the town treasurer and the chairman of the town school committee, and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed five and one-half per centum, and the time of maturity shall be determined by the said first selectman, town treasurer and chairman of the school board.

Approved, April 28, 1921.

[House Bill No. 912.]

[172.]

AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF FINANCE IN THE
TOWN OF NEW MILFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the town of New Milford a board of finance composed of six electors of said town, to be elected in the manner hereinafter provided, which electors shall be taxpayers and hold no salaried office in the government of said town.

SEC. 2. At the annual meeting of said town to be held on the first Monday in October, 1921, said town shall elect by ballot six electors of said town as a board of finance. No person at said election shall vote for more than three members of said board, two of whom shall be elected for the term of one year and until their successors are elected and qualified, two for the term of two years and until their successors are elected and qualified, two for the term of three years and until their successors are elected and qualified. The members of said board shall take office upon their election. At each annual town meeting, beginning with the annual town meeting in October, 1921, said town shall elect by ballot, in the same manner as other town officers are elected, two electors of said town as members of said board of finance to serve for a period of three years and until their successors are elected and qualified. No person at said election shall vote for more than one member of said board. Of the members so voted for the two receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected members of said board.

SEC. 3. The members of said board shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. Said board shall, at its first meeting and subsequently at its meeting held on the third Monday in October in each year, beginning with the third Monday in October, 1921, choose a chairman of said board, and also a clerk who shall not be a member of the board. The clerk shall keep a record of the votes and other doings of said board and shall report to the selectmen all appropriations made in accordance with this act. Said clerk shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties. The necessary expenses of said board shall be paid by the town of New Milford, but no member of said board shall be paid for his services.

SEC. 4. The chairman of said board shall preside at all meetings thereof and in his absence a chairman pro tempore shall be chosen. At all meetings of said board four members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 5. The chairman may, and, upon the written request of two members, of said board, shall call a special meeting of said board at any time on reasonable personal notice to the members thereof, or on written or printed notice sent to the residence of each member or mailed to each member by the clerk of said board at least twenty-four hours before the time of said meeting.

SEC. 6. In case of a vacancy in said board, the remaining members shall forthwith, by a majority vote, appoint a successor to serve until the next annual town meeting and until his successor is elected and qualified.

SEC. 7. Whenever any meeting of the board has been regularly called and no quorum shall be present, the chairman may issue a warrant signed by him directed to the sheriff of the county of Litchfield or any constable of the town of New Milford, to arrest and bring into said meeting a sufficient number of members of said board to constitute a quorum.

SEC. 8. On the first Tuesday of September in each year the board of finance shall hold a meeting and at said meeting the town school board, sometimes called the town school committee, shall submit itemized estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for the maintenance of the schools of said town for the year next ensuing, beginning with the first Monday in October in each year, and shall at the same time, submit to said board of finance an itemized statement of the expenditures of said town school committee for the preceding year. The board of selectmen at such meeting shall submit itemized estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for all other expenses of said town for the year next ensuing beginning on the first Monday in October in each year, and shall at the same time submit to said board of finance an itemized statement of the expenditures for the various town departments other than for the schools, for the past year. Said estimates shall be published once in a newspaper having a circulation in said town of New Milford at least three days before the second Tuesday in September in each year. At a meeting held on the second Tuesday in September and at all adjournments thereof, said board of finance shall hear all parties who may desire to be heard relative to any of said estimates and said board, at said meeting or at any adjournments thereof, shall recommend appropriations for the expenses of said town of New Milford for the year next ensuing, beginning on the first Monday in October and said board at its discretion may recommend appropriations for the paying of any part of the debts of said town and shall classify said appropriations. Said appropriations shall be filed in the town clerk's office in the town of New Milford on or before the third

Tuesday of September next ensuing and shall be published in a newspaper having a circulation in the town of New Milford on or before the last Tuesday in September and the appropriation fixed by said board shall be submitted by the selectmen to the annual town meeting next to be held in the town of New Milford. Said annual town meeting shall have power to decrease the appropriation or any item thereof, but in no case shall it have power to increase said appropriation or any item thereof. Said town meeting shall, after the transaction of its other business, adjourn to a date during the second week in March. The board of finance shall, upon the completion of the grand list of said town by the board of relief, make a budget showing the expenses of said town under the appropriations as made by the annual town meeting in October and the estimated income of said town from all sources other than that of the tax next to be laid on the grand list, and said board shall recommend to the selectmen of said town, who shall recommend it to the adjourned town meeting, such tax as shall be sufficient, with the income from other sources to meet the estimated expenses. Said budget shall be filed with the town clerk and shall be published during the first week in March at least once in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in said town. Said adjourned town meeting shall have the power to lower any appropriation made at the annual town meeting and to change said rate of taxation in any way, except that said change shall not create a deficiency for the year. The rate of taxation so fixed shall be final and the appropriations voted shall be the appropriations of the town of New Milford for the year. The total amount of appropriations for any year shall not exceed the estimated income for that year, nor shall any board of selectmen or any town school committee of said town or the town at any special town meeting, vote to incur any liability or expenses, by contract or otherwise, in excess of the appropriations estimated by said board of finance.

SEC. 9. If a special appropriation is required for any purpose, except such as may be required by an unforeseen, extraordinary or unusual event as hereinafter described, an estimate thereof shall be prepared and submitted to said board of finance at a special meeting called for that purpose, and said board, at said meeting or any adjournment thereof, shall have power to make such appropriation and to lay a special tax to meet the same on the list last completed, but no appropriation shall be made unless a special tax is laid to cover the amount thereof when such appropriation is in excess of the unappropriated revenues of the town except as hereinafter provided. Said appropriations and rate of taxation so recommended shall be submitted by the board of selectmen to a special meeting of the town called for that purpose, and said meeting shall have power to decrease the appropriation or any item thereof or the rate of taxation recommended by said board of finance, or said meeting may vote to make such appropriation or levy such tax upon the list last completed, but in no case shall any

special town meeting have power to increase any appropriation, or any rate of taxation recommended by said board of finance, or to decrease the rate of taxation so as to create a deficiency. Said special town meeting may, in case of an appropriation recommended and approved as aforesaid, direct that the money to meet the same be borrowed by the selectmen on the note or notes of the town instead of laying a special tax as hereinbefore provided, but the amount so borrowed shall be covered in an appropriation to be made by the board of finance and submitted for approval at the annual town meeting next ensuing. If a special appropriation is required for any purpose arising from some unforeseen, unusual or extraordinary event such as the destruction of public property, by fire, flood or other calamity, or the necessity of erecting new public buildings, bridges or other structures, or some unusual demand made upon the town by the state which calls for a larger expenditure of money than can be reasonably raised by taxation in a single year, an estimate of said special appropriation, shall be prepared and submitted to said board of finance at a special meeting called for that purpose, and said board at said meeting or any adjournment thereof, shall have the power to make such appropriation and to make such recommendations for the raising of money to meet said appropriation as it may deem best. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to give said town authority to issue bonds in excess of the limitation provided by the general statutes. Said appropriation shall be submitted by the board of selectmen to a special meeting of the town called for that purpose and said town meeting shall have power to decrease the appropriation or any item thereof or reject the recommendation of the board of finance as to the method of raising money to meet said appropriation, or said special meeting may vote to make such appropriation or to approve and adopt such recommendation, but in no case shall such special town meeting have power to increase any special appropriation or fail to arrange for the raising of money necessary to meet the payment of the appropriation finally decided upon by said meeting.

Sec. 10. Said board of finance shall have power to make transfers of unexpended balances from one appropriation to another, but no amount appropriated for any purpose shall be used or appropriated for any other purpose unless the same be recommended by said board.

Sec. 11. Neither said board of selectmen nor said town school committee shall draw any order upon the town treasurer unless there is sufficient money to pay the same in the treasurer's hands appropriated for the object for which such order is drawn and each order shall designate the object for and account upon which it is drawn. Said town treasurer shall not pay any order unless there are sufficient funds appropriated for such object in his possession.

Sec. 12. Any selectman or treasurer of said town or any member of the town school committee thereof who shall violate any provision of

this act shall be subject to the penalties provided in section 58 of the general statutes.

SEC. 13. The provisions of this act shall not be construed to prohibit the treasurer of said town from paying any lawful order drawn by any justice of the peace or for any statutory charges.

SEC. 14. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are repealed so far as they affect the town of New Milford.

Approved, April 28, 1921.

[House Bill No. 26.]

[173.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN
CONCERNING LIABILITY FOR FALLS ON ICY SIDEWALKS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section seven of an act amending the charter of the city of New Haven, approved May 19, 1917, is amended to read as follows: Whenever any person shall cause any defect in, or place, or cause to be placed, any obstruction on any of the streets of the city of New Haven, such person shall be held to answer any claim for damages which may be made against said city for such damages and such person may be cited in to defend the same, in which case no judgment shall be rendered against said city until the execution issued upon the judgment against such person shall have been returned unsatisfied; and upon the payment of any such judgment by the city, the judgment against such person shall inure to the benefit of said city.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 55.]

[174.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE BRISTOL AND
PLAINVILLE TRAMWAY COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section four of act incorporating The Bristol and Plainville Tramway Company, approved June 14, 1893, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said company shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars, and may be increased from time to time by a vote of the stockholders at a meeting specially called for that purpose to any sum not exceeding five million dollars. The capital stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, par value, and shall be personal

property transferable upon the books of said corporation; and each subscriber to said capital stock shall pay for the same in cash or its equivalent.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 760.]

[175.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
CONCERNING THE HOURS FOR VOTING IN THE
SOUTH SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

At all annual elections of the Hartford South School District the polls shall be open from nine o'clock in the forenoon to seventy-thirty o'clock in the afternoon, and said district is authorized to establish, within its limits, three voting precincts with a polling place in each voting precinct; the boundaries of such precincts and the location of such polling place to be designated by the registrars of the election.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 171.]

[176.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
NEW HAVEN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 171 of the charter of the city of New Haven as amended by an act amending the charter of the city of New Haven, concerning the city court, approved April 5, 1905, and by an act approved August 19, 1909, and by an act approved June 3, 1913, and by an act approved May 19, 1917, is amended to read as follows: The officers of the city court shall respectively receive the following salaries in full for all services: Each judge, five thousand dollars per annum; the city attorney, four thousand dollars per annum; each assistant city attorney, thirty-five hundred dollars per annum; the clerk, thirty-five hundred dollars per annum; each assistant clerk, twenty-five hundred dollars per annum. The judges of the city court may also appoint an official stenographer who shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the judges of said court, and such stenographer shall perform such duties as stenographer and typewriter for the officials of the court as the judges may designate. Such stenographer shall furnish transcripts of testimony to the court and city attorney when required,

without charge; but when required by any party of record to furnish a transcript the stenographer may charge said party compensation not exceeding that fixed by law for copies made by the official stenographer of the superior court. Said judges may appoint interpreters, whose duty shall be to interpret testimony when found necessary, and who shall receive a reasonable compensation to be fixed by said judges. All naturalization and other fees collectible by law by the clerk of the city court shall be collected by the clerk and accounted for and paid over with other moneys of said court to the city treasurer. Said fees may be demanded before a cause is entered or judgment is recorded, and no clerk shall be required to continue any cause on the docket or to enter or record any judgment therein, or to issue any execution on any judgment, until all court fees, clerk fees and stenographer's fees already due shall have been paid. The judges of said court may employ such additional temporary stenographic and clerical assistance as may be necessary.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 333.]

[177.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
JOHN C. WEINGARTNER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by John C. Weingartner of Tolland by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 321.]

[178.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
ANSONIA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one hundred thirty-three of an act revising the charter of the city of Ansonia, approved June 13, 1901, as amended by an act approved June 13, 1905, as amended by section three of an act approved April 26, 1917, is amended to read as follows: All salaries shall be paid in monthly installments by orders drawn on the city treasurer and shall be in lieu of all other compensation for any services required of salaried officers under the provisions of this act except as hereinafter specified, provided the board of aldermen may, at any time by a two-thirds vote,

increase or decrease the salary of any city official, and if the same shall be adopted by the board of aldermen in the next succeeding year, said board may then proceed to enact an ordinance increasing or decreasing said salary. The mayor shall receive one thousand dollars per annum; the town clerk, one thousand dollars per annum, in addition to the fees allowed by statute; the collector of taxes, twelve hundred dollars per annum; the treasurer, three hundred dollars per annum; the corporation counsel, one thousand dollars per annum; the assessors, two hundred and fifty dollars each per annum, except the clerk of the board of assessors who shall receive five hundred dollars per annum; the sanitary inspector, eight hundred dollars per annum; the health officer, six hundred dollars per annum; members of the board of relief, ten dollars each per annum. The compensation of all other city officials shall be fixed by the board of aldermen unless otherwise provided.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 113.]

[179.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
ESTABLISHING HARTFORD MEADOWS DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of reclaiming from the annual freshets of the Connecticut river the lands known as the North and South Meadows in the city of Hartford, of draining the marshes, swamps and stagnant pools of said meadows, filling in low parts thereof, eliminating the numerous breeding places of mosquitoes existing on said lands, contributing to the general sanitation, healthfulness, convenience and security of said city and its people, and developing said lands and the Connecticut river adjacent thereto for the useful purposes of commerce, manufactures, business, recreation and industrial and economic growth, including the providing of suitable sites for, and building, homes, factories, wharves, warehouses, docks, slips, landings, canals, railroad and railroad sidings, aviation fields and depots, parks, streets, highways, alleys and other features of a well-ordered development of these tracts as a necessary and convenient part of the industrial, commercial and social life and well-being of the city; there is created a body politic and corporate, under the name and title of Hartford Meadows Development Commission, which commission shall consist of seven citizens and electors of the city of Hartford, who shall be appointed by the mayor of said city with the consent and approval of the court of common council. The mayor shall be ex officio a member of said commission.

Sec. 2. At the first appointment of said commission, one member shall be appointed for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, one for a term of three years, one for a term of four years, one for a term of five years, one for a term of six years and one for a term of seven years; and thereafter one member of said commission shall be appointed in each year to serve for a term of seven years. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said commission by death, resignation, refusal to serve, or other cause, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the mayor with the consent and approval of the court of common council, but until such vacancy shall be filled the remaining commissioners shall constitute such commission and any orders made by a majority of them shall be the orders of said commission and binding as such. Said commission shall elect annually from its membership, a president and a vice-president, and may elect and employ such other officers, engineers, agents and assistants as in its judgment may be required for the carrying on of the work of said commission. The members of said commission shall serve without compensation except for necessary expenses incurred in connection with their duties as members of said commission.

Sec. 3. Said commission shall have power to acquire by gift, grant, purchase, devise or exchange, and to take in fee simple by condemnation, all or any part of the land in the South Meadows included in the tract bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Connecticut river in the easterly extension of the southerly line of Wawarme avenue; thence southerly along the Connecticut river to the dividing line between the city of Hartford and the town of Wethersfield; then westerly along said line to the easterly line of Wethersfield avenue; thence northerly along said easterly line of Wethersfield avenue about seventeen hundred and fifty feet to the division line between lands of Alexander F. Peoples and of James L. McGuire and Adella C. Stratton; thence easterly along said division line four hundred feet; thence northerly in a line parallel with Wethersfield avenue to the south line of Wawarme avenue; thence easterly along said south line of Wawarme avenue and its extension to the point of beginning; and shall have the power to acquire by gift, grant, devise, purchase or exchange, or to take in fee simple by condemnation, all or any part of the land in the North Meadows included in the tract bounded on the north by the Windsor town line, on the east by the Connecticut river, on the west by the land comprising the right of way of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company, Springfield and Valley lines, and on the south side by Morgan street; provided the land included in Riverside park and all land in said area within the jurisdiction of the board of water commissioners may be used by said commission only so far as necessary to enable it to build a dyke or dykes and to reclaim said land from freshets, and that nothing herein contained shall be held to grant powers to said commission to condemn any land in either of said tracts held or used by said railroad company for railroad purposes, or to limit or impair the

right of said railroad company at any time hereafter to take any land in either of said tracts for railroad purposes, notwithstanding that said land may then be owned or held by said commission; said commission shall also have power to acquire by gift, grant, purchase, devise or exchange other land adjacent to either of said tracts or to the river; and upon acquiring any or all of said land or lands shall have power to hold, manage, develop and improve the same for the general welfare, health and benefit of the city of Hartford and its people as to said commission shall seem wise and proper, by the building and maintenance of a dyke or dykes thereon to shut out the waters of the Connecticut river, by filling in, raising, lowering and changing the grades of said land in whole or part, by building and maintaining slips, canals, wharves, docks, factories, warehouses, dwellings and other buildings thereon, by the layout, establishment, construction, reconstruction and maintenance of streets, alleys, highways, bridges, culverts, sewers, drains, pipes, conduits, pumping machinery, railroad tracks and sidings, aviation fields and the buildings and equipment thereof, recreation grounds and places of amusement; it shall also have power in connection with the development of said lands to improve and develop the frontage of said lands on the Connecticut river for the purpose of making the same and said river more convenient, useful and profitable to the city and its people, and for that purpose it shall have power, with the approval and consent of the federal government, so far as such approval and consent may be necessary, to dredge, excavate, remove and take sand, earth and other deposits from the bed of said river and to construct and maintain works on or in said river at or opposite said land or lands. Said commission shall also have power to use, operate and conduct any of the utilities, plants or equipment erected or constructed by it on either of said tracts, or on the lands or waters adjacent thereto, including the power to operate locomotives and cars on said railways and sidings, and barges and other vessels on said Connecticut river when duly authorized thereto by the federal government. Said commission shall have power also to sell and convey said lands and the improvements thereon, or any part thereof, in fee simple, or to lease the same from time to time, and to regulate the use thereof by lessees and grantees. The president of said commission is authorized to execute and sign in behalf of said commission, any deeds, leases or licenses authorized by this act. In the absence or disability of the president the vice-president of said commission may act in his stead.

SEC. 4. Said commission shall have power to sue and be sued, and for the carrying out of the purposes of this act shall have power to make contracts and to do any and all acts and things which it shall deem necessary and expedient for the reclamation, development, improvement, maintenance, equipment, management, control and disposition of said lands and the buildings, appliances and improvements placed thereon; but no contract for construction work on or in connection with

the reclamation or development of said lands or the improvement of said river amounting to five thousand dollars or more shall be let otherwise than on the competitive bid system.

SEC. 5. If said commission shall be unable to agree with the owner or owners upon the price to be paid by said commission for any of the land or lands within the tracts herein described, said commission may prefer a petition in the name of the city of Hartford, or in its own name, to the superior court for the county of Hartford, or, if said court is not in session, to any judge of said court, describing the real estate, or interest therein, which said commission is to take, praying that such compensation may be determined, which petition shall be accompanied by a summons signed by competent authority, to be served as process in civil actions before said court, notifying the owner of the property to be taken, and all persons interested in such property, to appear before said court or judge; said court or judge shall thereupon appoint a committee of three disinterested persons, who, after being duly sworn and giving reasonable notice to the parties, shall view the property in question, hear the evidence, ascertain the value, assess just damages to the owner or parties interested in the property so proposed to be taken, and report their doings to said court or judge. Said court or judge may accept said report, or may reject it for irregular or improper conduct by the members of the committee in the performance of their duties. If the report be rejected, the court or judge shall appoint another committee, who shall proceed in the same manner as the members of the first committee were required to proceed. If said report is accepted, such acceptance shall have the effect of a judgment in favor of the owner of the property against the petitioner for the amount of the assessment made by the committee, and execution may issue therefor. Said court or judge may make any orders necessary to protect the rights of all parties interested. Said property shall not be used or enclosed by the petitioner until the amount of said judgment has been paid to the party to whom it is due, or deposited for his use with the treasurer of the county, and upon such payment or deposit, said property shall become the property of the petitioner. The expenses and costs of said hearing, including a reasonable compensation for the members of the committee, shall be taxed by the court or judge against the petitioner if the amount of such assessment be greater than the amount offered by said commission for the land in question, and if the amount of such assessment be no greater than the amount so offered by the petitioner such costs and expenses shall be taxed against the respondent.

SEC. 6. If in the opinion of said commission any land not taken or occupied by it, and not used or held for railroad purposes, shall be specially benefited by the reclamation and development work carried on by said commission, said commission may prefer its petition to the superior court, or if said court is not in session to any judge thereof, describing such real estate claimed by it to be specially benefited, and

praying that such benefits may be determined, which petition shall be accompanied by a summons signed by competent authority, and be served as process in civil actions before said court, notifying the owner of such property and all persons interested therein to appear before said court or judge; and thereafter the proceedings on said petition shall be similar to and follow the same course as prescribed in paragraph five of this act for determining the value of land to be taken by said commission. Upon the acceptance by said court or judge of the report of the committee thereon, assessing benefits against such land, such acceptance shall have the effect of a judgment in favor of said commission for the amount of such assessment against the property so found to be benefited, and such judgment shall thereupon become a lien in favor of said commission against such property, provided said commission shall, within six months from the acceptance of said report by said court or judge, file a certificate of said lien in the town clerk's office in said city, which lien may be foreclosed at the suit of said commission in the same manner as a mortgage incumbrance on land. The expenses and costs of said hearing, including a reasonable compensation for the committee, shall be taxed against said commission.

Sec. 7. Said commission shall annually, in the month of January, present to the board of finance of the city of Hartford, for its approval, a schedule of the anticipated receipts and disbursements of the commission for the year ensuing, and in case said commission and board of finance shall be unable to agree upon a budget for said commission for the ensuing year, the budget for such year shall be fixed and determined by the court of common council. The disbursements of said commission in any year shall not exceed the amount so fixed by the board of finance, or court of common council. In cases of emergency said commission may present to the board of finance a supplementary proposed budget showing the necessity for additional disbursements during the year then current, and upon the approval of the board of finance, or court of common council, in case of its presentation to that body on failure of agreement with the board of finance, said commission shall have authority to expend, in addition to the amount of the annual budget, the amount fixed by such supplementary budget.

Sec. 8. The city of Hartford is authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, at such rate of interest as its court of common council may decide upon, to an amount not exceeding two million dollars, the principal of which bonds shall be payable at some certain time or times from the date of issuing the same, but not exceeding fifty years from their date, and said court of common council may from time to time prescribe the amount, subject to the approval of a city meeting, for which said bonds shall be issued, and may prescribe the form thereof, the rate of interest which said bonds shall bear, the time or times when the same shall be payable, and the price at which such bonds shall be sold, which may be less than their par value; and such

bonds shall be denominated "Meadows Development Bonds," and the avails thereof shall be applied and expended by said commission, subject to the provisions of section seven of this act, in the acquisition, improvement, development and maintenance of said lands and river and the structures placed thereon in accordance with the provisions of this act, and for no other purpose whatever; and said bonds when issued shall be obligatory upon said city and the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same, but said "Meadows Development Bonds" shall not be included in the computation of the net bonded indebtedness of said city for the purpose of establishing the limit of its borrowing capacity under section 441 of the general statutes as amended by chapter 108 of the public acts of 1919. Said commission shall incur no expense until an appropriation to cover the same has been lawfully made, or until funds to meet the same are available.

SEC. 9. All lands and property taken by said commission and all improvements made by it shall be taken and held in the name of said commission, and while so held by said commission, pending their development and use, shall be exempt from all taxes; and all bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the city of Hartford, or said commission, for the use of said commission in the prosecution of the work provided for by this act, shall likewise be exempt and free of all taxes.

SEC. 10. After said commission has acquired not less than three-quarters of the land in either of said tracts, it shall, for the purpose of providing necessary funds for the carrying on of its work and the acquisition of additional land in said tract or tracts as herein provided, have power and it is authorized to issue its bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars in anticipation of receipts of said commission other than from the city of Hartford, payable from the property and future receipts of said commission, the proceeds of which bonds, notes or evidences of indebtedness shall be exclusively applied, under the direction and at the discretion of said commission, subject to the provisions of section seven of this act, to the acquisition, development, improvement, equipment and management of the lands in said tracts and the buildings, works and appurtenances erected or placed thereon and on or in the river opposite said lands as herein provided for.

SEC. 11. Said commission shall determine and prescribe, subject to the foregoing limitations, the denomination and form of said obligations, the several and aggregate amounts thereof, the rate of interest which said obligations shall bear, the time or times and the place or places for the payment of the interest and principal thereof, the manner of signing, countersigning, executing, selling, exchanging or otherwise disposing of said obligations, and the person or persons who shall execute, negotiate and deliver the same for and in behalf of said commission.

SEC. 12. Said commission is also authorized, subject to the provisions of section seven of this act, to use and expend such part of the proceeds of sales, rentals and leases of the lands, buildings, works, rights, privileges and property of which it shall become possessed under the authority of this act, as it may deem necessary for the carrying on of its work and the execution of its purposes herein provided for, except that at least twenty-five per centum of the gross receipts of the sale of any of said lands, buildings or works, shall be paid by said commission forthwith to the treasurer of the city of Hartford to be applied to a sinking fund to take up and retire the bonds and other evidences of indebtedness issued by said city on account of the work of said commission; and all surplus funds accruing to said commission from the sale, rental, lease or grant of the property, rights, privileges and appurtenances, acquired or constructed by said commission, beyond an amount required by said commission in the prosecution of its work herein provided for, and the payment of its obligations, shall be paid over by said commission to the treasurer of the city of Hartford for the account of said sinking fund.

SEC. 13. Any damages resulting from a defective condition, or negligent management or operation of any of the property, works or appliances in charge of said commission, and for which said commission is responsible, shall be paid by said commission as a part of the cost of the development and maintenance of said property. Actions may be brought against said commission by service upon its president or secretary, and any judgment recovered therein shall be paid by said commission in the same manner and out of the same funds as shall be at the disposal of the commission for the development, construction and maintenance of said property. Said commission shall keep and preserve full and complete records of its proceedings, and complete accounts and vouchers of its receipts and disbursements, and the accounts of said commission shall be audited annually by the board of finance of the city of Hartford, or such auditors as shall be designated by said board, and annual reports of the doings of said commission, showing its receipts and disbursements shall be made to the court of common council. Upon the completion of the work of said commission all its records, maps and accounts shall be filed with the clerk of the city of Hartford or with such departments of the city government as the court of common council shall prescribe.

SEC. 14. All docks, wharves, slips, landings, warehouses, canals and other works or improvements, which said commission shall lay out and construct under authority of this act, and which said commission shall, by notice, declare to be open in whole or in part for the general use of the public, and the right to use and enjoy the same or any part of the property which said commission shall acquire, improve or develop, shall be under such restrictions, rules, regulations, terms, fees and payments, as said commission shall from time to time promulgate, but there shall

be no discrimination between members of the public in the right and opportunity of such use. Said commission may, from time to time, upon the approval and acceptance of the court of common council, transfer or relinquish its control and jurisdiction over any sections, streets, parts of streets, docks, park areas, works or other public improvements, in either of said tracts, and thereupon the control and jurisdiction over such sections, streets, works or other public improvements shall at once vest in the appropriate department or departments of the city government.

SEC. 15. All lands now owned by the city of Hartford in either of said tracts, except as above provided in this act, shall, upon the making of an appropriation by the city of Hartford for the use of said commission, be thereafter under the supervision and control of said commission, and may be used, treated, disposed of, leased, exchanged, sold and conveyed by said commission in the same manner and to the same extent as other lands under the charge of said commission, and all streets, highways, bridges, culverts, wharves, docks, dykes, parks, recreation places, slips, canals, warehouses, buildings and works, laid out and established by said commission on any of said lands, or on the river adjacent thereto, shall be under the exclusive supervision and control of said Hartford Meadows Development Commission, the provisions of the charter and ordinances of the city of Hartford, placing similar improvements under the supervision of other departments, boards or commissions of the city to the contrary notwithstanding; but nothing in this act contained shall affect or curtail the jurisdiction of the city of Hartford and its appropriate boards, commissions and officers, over said tracts for the preservation of health and safety therein.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 350.]

[180.]

AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH
OF THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT AND MERGING
AND CONSOLIDATING THE PARISH OF CHRIST
CHURCH, HARTFORD, WITH CHRIST
CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of an act incorporating the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Connecticut, approved June 12, 1913, is amended to read as follows: Chauncey B. Brewster, Samuel Hart, Storrs O. Seymour, Charles M. Addison, Henry Ferguson, James J. Goodwin, John M. Taylor, Gardiner Greene, Morris W. Seymour, Burton Mansfield, William H. Judd, Benjamin Page and John H. Sage, with

such other persons as shall be appointed or elected, as hereinafter provided, and may become associated with them, and their successors, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of Christ Church Cathedral, the same to be the cathedral church of the diocese of Connecticut, with power to contract, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, to have a common seal, and to exercise all powers necessary to carry out the purposes of this act. Said corporation shall be located in the city of Hartford.

SEC. 2. Section three of said act is amended to read as follows: Said corporation may acquire by grant, purchase, gift, devise or bequest, and hold in trust or otherwise, any estate, real or personal, necessary or proper for any of the objects of said corporation, to an amount not exceeding two million dollars, and may manage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of any property held by it.

SEC. 3. The Parish of Christ Church, Hartford, is merged and consolidated with Christ Church Cathedral aforesaid.

SEC. 4. The Parish of Christ Church is authorized and empowered to transfer, assign and deliver to Christ Church Cathedral, and unto its successors and assigns forever, all its property, both real and personal, whether held absolutely or in trust; all property in trust to be held by Christ Church Cathedral subject to the same terms and conditions as now exist in connection with and are attached to such trust.

SEC. 5. All gifts and devises which have hitherto been made or which shall be hereafter made to said Parish of Christ Church, either absolutely or in trust, shall vest in and belong to Christ Church Cathedral, to be held, when in trust, subject to the same terms and conditions as are now or may hereafter be attached thereto.

SEC. 6. Whenever, under the terms and conditions of the instruments creating the trusts, certain officers are named to perform certain duties in connection with the administration thereof, Christ Church Cathedral shall, after said merger and consolidation shall have become operative, name the officers who, in its own organization, correspond most nearly thereto, to perform such duties.

SEC. 7. The Trustees of Donations and Bequests for Church Purposes, a corporation chartered by the general assembly of Connecticut and located in Hartford, is authorized and empowered to transfer to Christ Church Cathedral, the property held by it under a deed from the Parish of Christ Church, dated December 6, 1879, and recorded in volume 179, page 484, of the Hartford land records; such property to be held upon the same terms and conditions as are contained in said deed. The Trustees of Donations and Bequests for Church Purposes is authorized and empowered to transfer and deliver to Christ Church Cathedral, the Mary Goodwin fund, held by it for the benefit of said Parish of Christ Church, to be held upon the same terms and conditions as are contained in the instrument creating such fund.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect whenever both of said corporations, acting separately, shall have accepted the same at meetings duly warned and held for the purpose.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 170.]

[181.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
NEW HAVEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section nine of an act amending the charter of the city of New Haven, approved May 19, 1917, is amended to read as follows: The freemen of the city of New Haven shall have the following powers of amendment under said act and charter: To provide for the division of wards into one or more voting districts, provided there shall be no change of the lines of any ward or of the boundaries of any senatorial district; to provide the manner in which candidates for the office of mayor or for any other office required by law to be filled by popular election may be nominated for their respective offices, and no person, unless nominated in accordance with such provisions, shall be eligible to such office; to provide whether the mayor or any other officer required to be elected by popular vote shall be elected by a plurality of votes cast, by cumulative voting, by preferential voting, or in the case of boards constituted of more than one member, by minority representation or by proportional representation; to provide how the board of aldermen shall be constituted, the number of its members, their qualifications, tenure and terms of office, and for the election of any part or all of them at large or by wards, and the amount of their salaries or compensation, if any; to provide that any officer of said city, now elected by popular vote, shall be chosen by appointment, excepting that the mayor, members of the board of aldermen, town clerk, members of the board of selectmen, registrars of voters, and justices of the peace shall continue to be elected by popular vote; to provide by whom, when and in what manner any of the officers, boards, directors, commissioners and employees of said city who are or may be subject to appointment and not to popular election may be appointed, their qualifications and the terms and conditions of the tenure of each; to provide for the payment of salaries or compensation of any officers of said city who are subject to appointment, excepting the city court and the department of education, and the amount of such salaries or compensation, or to provide by whom such salaries or compensation shall be determined and regulated; to provide that the powers and duties given to or imposed upon any of the officers, commissioners, boards, agents or employees of

said city shall be exercised and performed by any other officer, board, agent or employee, including the power of appointing and employing other officers, agents and employees, excepting that the powers and duties of the town clerk, city court, the department of education, the board of selectmen, registrars of voters or justices of the peace, shall be in no respect enlarged or curtailed; excepting the city court and the department of education, to provide for the abolition of any office, the powers and duties of which may be transferred to any other officer, board or agent, and to provide for any new department, bureau or officer as may seem best for the exercise of the powers and to perform the duties given to or imposed upon said city; to provide for an addition to the number of officers filling any office; to provide that the mayor shall act and vote as a member of the board of aldermen; that any or all of the powers and duties which might be exercised and performed by appointive officers, boards or agents, may be exercised and performed by the board of aldermen in such manner as it may determine either directly or through such agents as it may select or for whose selection it may provide; to provide for a general revision of the charter or the adoption of a new charter, either of which may include any of the amendments herein authorized; to provide for pensions and pension funds for any class of employees of said city, and to apportion to any pension fund or to the general city income any license moneys payable to the city or to any pension fund. Said city shall not have power, under this section, or otherwise, to provide for new school buildings except by taxation at the rate and in the manner now provided by its charter.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 439.]

[182.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS AND BOARD
OF RELIEF OF THE CITY OF NORWALK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section forty-nine of an act consolidating the town of Norwalk with the cities of Norwalk and South Norwalk, and the East Norwalk Fire District, and incorporating the city of Norwalk, approved June 6, 1913, is amended to read as follows: On the Wednesday following the first Monday of October, 1921, the mayor shall appoint a tax commissioner subject to confirmation by the council of said city, who shall hold office until removed by the council for malfeasance in office, neglect of duty, incompetency or other just cause, but shall not be removed upon any charges preferred against him without due notice and hearing. Upon a vacancy occurring in said office of ~~the~~ commis-

sioner, the mayor shall fill the same, subject to confirmation by the council. The compensation of said tax commissioner shall be determined by the council of said city. Said tax commissioner and the two assessors holding office at the time of his appointment, and their successors to be appointed in the manner hereinafter provided, shall be known as the board of assessors; and annually, after said first appointment of tax commissioner, the mayor shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the council, one assessor, to hold office for the term of two years. Said assessors so appointed shall hold office from the date of their appointment for the term for which they are appointed, and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Any vacancy in said office of assessor may be filled by the mayor, for any unexpired portion of the term, subject to confirmation by the council. Said tax commissioner shall be, ex-officio, chairman of said board of assessors, and shall perform the duties required of a member of such board, and such other duties as may, from time to time, be determined upon by the council of said city, and shall devote his time exclusively during such business hours as may be fixed upon by said council, to the performance of such duties. On the Wednesday following the first Monday of October, 1921, the mayor shall also appoint, subject to confirmation by the council, one member of the board of relief, to hold office for the term of three years, and the person so appointed, and the two members of the board of relief holding office at the time of such appointment, and their successors to be appointed in the manner hereinafter provided, shall constitute the board of relief. Annually thereafter the mayor shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the council, one member of the board of relief, to hold office for the term of three years. Said members of the board of relief so appointed shall hold office from the date of their appointment for the term for which they are appointed, and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Any vacancy in said office of a member of the board of relief may be filled by the mayor, for any unexpired portion of the term, subject to confirmation by the council.

SEC. 2. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority of the votes of the electors of said city of Norwalk cast at the biennial city election to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921. If said vote shall be in favor of the approval of this act, it shall thereupon take effect and a certificate of such vote of approval signed by the clerk of said city shall be transmitted by him to the secretary of the state, who shall record the same.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 600.]

[183.]

**AN ACT MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE
SUPPORT OF TRADE SCHOOLS FOR THE FISCAL
PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1921.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of seventy-five thousand dollars is appropriated for the state board of education, for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921, for the payment of necessary additional expenses incurred under the provisions of section 827 of the general statutes in taking over and supporting the trade school at New Britain in compliance with the provisions of a contract entered into by said board with the town school committee of said town of New Britain on November 15, 1919, and in the support of other trade schools. The limitation imposed by section 828 of the general statutes as amended by chapter 256 of the public acts of 1919 shall not apply to the appropriation herein made for said trade school at New Britain for said period.

Approved, April 29, 1921.

[House Bill No. 42.]

[184.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF GROTON TO ISSUE
WATER BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The borough of Groton is authorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, in denominations of one thousand dollars each, bearing interest at no greater rate than five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. The avails thereof shall be used to pay temporary loans made for the purpose of extending the water system in said borough of Groton. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form, payable as consecutively numbered in such equal amounts each year, beginning one year after their date, that the whole amount thereof shall be paid within a time not exceeding thirty years from their date. Said borough, at a meeting duly warned and held for the purpose, shall determine the form of the bonds, whether registered or coupon, the date of said bonds and the time of maturity thereof, which shall not be more than thirty years from the date of issue, and the person or persons by whom the same shall be signed and executed

in behalf of said borough. Such bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said borough and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 421.]

[185.]

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE
NEEDS FOR A PSYCHOPATHIC HOSPITAL.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The governor shall, on or before July 1, 1921, appoint a commission consisting of five persons to investigate, and to report thereon to the governor not later than October 1, 1922, the necessity of establishing a psychopathic hospital. In the event that the establishment of such hospital be recommended, said commission shall include in such report recommendations concerning a suitable location therefor and the probable cost of such location and the establishment of such hospital.

SEC. 2. Said commission shall serve without pay, but such necessary expenses of the commission as may be authorized or approved by the board of control shall be paid upon the order of the comptroller.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 441.]

[186.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE ANNEX
FIRE DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAVEN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of the resolution approved April 14, 1903, amending the charter of The Annex Fire Department is amended to read as follows: That Robert H. Meachem, Sidney S. Kelsey, D. Burton Brown, Henry H. Griswold, Morgan E. Fowler and William A. Woodward, all of the town and county of New Haven, and such other persons residing in said New Haven as they shall associate with them by voluntary enlistment, not exceeding one hundred fifty in number, and their successors, are hereby incorporated as a department of fire service to be located in said town by the name of The Annex Fire Department of New Haven, and by that name shall have power to own and convey real and personal estate not exceeding in value at any time the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, to appoint such officers as it may deem

expedient; to make by-laws proper for regulating its concerns not inconsistent with the laws of this state and enforce the same by penalties not exceeding five dollars for any one offense; to impose taxes upon its members; and to fill any vacancies in its numbers by voluntary enlistment. Said department and its members shall be entitled to all the privileges and immunities which are by law granted to fire companies in this state.

SEC. 2. Section four of said resolution is amended to read as follows: Said department shall have all proper jurisdiction and authority over fire service within the corporate limits of The Fairmount Association in said town of New Haven, but such jurisdiction and authority shall not interfere with any action of the fire department of the city of New Haven.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 569.]

[187.]

**AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
HARRY B. ZWICKER.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Harry B. Zwicker of Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 570.]

[188.]

**AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
DAVID B. REARDON.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by David B. Reardon of Hartford by reason of conviction or crime are restored.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 667.]

[189.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE TOWN OF
NORWALK WITH THE CITIES OF NORWALK AND SOUTH
NORWALK AND EAST NORWALK FIRE DISTRICT
AND INCORPORATING THE CITY OF
NORWALK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section seventeen of an act consolidating the town of Norwalk with the cities of Norwalk and South Norwalk and the East Norwalk fire district, and incorporating the city of Norwalk, approved June 6, 1913, is amended by changing the last sentence so that it shall read as follows: The board of estimate and taxation shall lay a tax to defray the expenses of the public library of said district to the amount appropriated by said district at any annual or special meeting.

SEC. 2. Section twenty-nine of said act is amended by changing the last sentence so that it shall read as follows: The board of estimate and taxation shall lay a tax to defray the expenses of the public library of said district to the amount appropriated by said district at any annual or special meeting.

SEC. 3. Section thirty-four of said act is amended by adding the sentence: "The district shall pay one hundred dollars or more yearly toward the support of the East Norwalk Improvement Association, Incorporated, Public Library."

SEC. 4. Section forty of said act is amended by inserting the sentence: "The board of estimate and taxation shall lay a tax to defray the expenses of the public library of the East Norwalk Improvement Association, Incorporated, of said district to the amount appropriated by said district at any annual or special meeting," before the last sentence.

SEC. 5. Section one hundred and sixty-eight of said act is amended by substituting the words, "The first day of May" for the words "the fifteenth day of October."

SEC. 6. Section one hundred and sixty-six of said act is amended by adding the following: "Said board shall, so far as practicable, on or before the first day of May of each year make such appointments before any appropriation has been made to cover the salaries of the persons appointed, and section sixty-two of said act shall not apply to such obligations. Should a vacancy occur in the membership of said board, the remaining members of the board shall, having been called together for the purpose by the secretary of the board, upon one week's notice, declare such office vacant, and shall forthwith proceed to fill such vacancy; and the person chosen to fill such vacancy shall have all of

the powers and duties of the former incumbent of such vacant office, and shall continue therein until the expiration of the term for which said incumbent was elected, and until his successor is duly elected and qualified. The council of said city shall not have the power to fill any vacancy in said board of education."

SEC. 7. Section one hundred and sixty-seven of said act is amended to read as follows: Said board shall have charge and direction of the public schools in said city and of the expenditure of moneys for the support of the same, which appropriation shall be made by the board of estimate and taxation without change from the budget as prepared by said board of education. This shall not include the erection of new schools or additions to the present buildings. Said board shall keep all the school buildings and apparatus used therein in good condition and repair; shall have power to expend money for necessary sanitation of all school buildings and shall have the powers and be subject to the general duties and limitations of boards of education, school committees and school visitors in this state, so far as the same are consistent with the provisions of this act. It shall make its by-laws, define the duties of its officers and committees, and prescribe rules and regulations for discipline in said public schools.

SEC. 8. Section eighty-nine of said act as amended by act approved May 20, 1915, is amended by adding at the end of section three of said act as amended, the following: "A majority of members of the board of estimate and taxation shall have power to call a special meeting of said board of estimate and taxation."

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 572.]

[190.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
THOMAS F. KELLEY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Thomas F. Kelly of Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 573.]

[191.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
LOUIS ELOVICH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Louis Elovich of Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 576.]

[192.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
CLARENCE E. BARROWS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Clarence E. Barrows of Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 511.]

[193.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF
THE CONNECTICUT INDEMNITY COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time for organizing The Connecticut Indemnity Company, incorporated under the provisions of an act approved May 16, 1917, and for filing a certificate of such organization in the office of the secretary of the state is extended until May 16, 1923.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 409.]

[194.]

**AN ACT INCORPORATING THE EASTERN CONNECTICUT
RAILWAY COMPANY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Robert W. Perkins of Norwich, Edward M. Day of Hartford and Charles B. Whittlesey of New London, and such other persons as they may associate with them, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Eastern Connecticut Railway Company, which company is to be located in the town of Norwich.

SEC. 2. Said company is authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire all of the present line of railway now owned by The Shore Line Electric Railway Company from the junction of Main and North Main streets in the town of Norwich, through the towns of Norwich, Preston, Ledyard, North Stonington and Stonington, to the Connecticut-Rhode Island line at the Pawcatuck river, together with the spur track leading from said line to and connecting with the tracks of The New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company at or near Brewster's Neck.

SEC. 3. The capital stock of said company shall be fifty thousand dollars divided into shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase the same to any amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, which shares shall be personal property and shall be transferable only on the books of said company in such manner as the by-laws shall prescribe; and the capital stock of said company may be divided into preferred and common shares in such proportions and amounts, or all common shares, as said company may determine. Said company may borrow money and secure the repayment of the same by issuing its bonds, secured by mortgage upon all the property and franchises of the company, which bonds are to be issued and given under and subject to the provisions, limitations and conditions of the general statutes relating to street railways.

SEC. 4. Said company is hereby authorized to transport freight, passengers or both, over said railway and to collect such reasonable rates of freight or fares of passengers as may be fixed and determined upon by its board of directors.

SEC. 5. Said company is authorized to use electricity, or any other lawful power, as a motive power upon said railway, and may erect, maintain and use all necessary, proper and lawful appliances for the purpose of operating said railway, and for the proper distribution and application of power used by it for that purpose.

SEC. 6. Said company shall have the right to construct additional sidings and spur tracks, stations, freight-houses and transmission lines

for the transmission of electricity to operate said road; and said company may take for railway purposes such real estate as may be necessary for the proper construction of the same, and may condemn land, when necessary, in the manner provided in the general statutes relating to the taking of land by railroad companies operated by steam.

SEC. 7. The property and affairs of said company shall be managed by not less than three nor more than nine directors who shall be stockholders of said company.

SEC. 8. The corporators above named, or a majority of them, shall open books to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company at such times and places as said corporators, or a majority of them, may appoint, and shall receive such subscriptions under such regulations as they may adopt; and said corporators, or a majority of them, are authorized to call the first meeting of the stockholders in such manner and at such time and place as they may deem best for the purpose of organizing, and of adopting suitable by-laws, and of electing officers.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 406.]

[195.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE GROTON AND STONINGTON
TRACTION COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Robert W. Perkins of Norwich, Edward M. Day of Hartford and Charles B. Whittlesey of New London, and such other persons as they may associate with them, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Groton and Stonington Traction Company, which company is to be located in the town of Groton.

SEC. 2. Said company is hereby authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire all of the present line of railway now owned by The Shore Line Electric Railway Company from near the Thames river at the ferry landing at Groton bank in the town of Groton, through the towns of Groton and Stonington to the Rhode Island line at the Pawcatuck river, with the spur now running from the village of Mystic to the village of Old Mystic, both in the town of Stonington; and also to construct a line of railway from the present terminus of the line in Thames street, Groton, northerly along Thames street and the new highway leading to the Thames river bridge to said bridge, and to acquire the right to operate the line of track running across said bridge; and to construct, purchase or otherwise acquire a line of railway in the town of New London from the western terminus of said railway along and upon the new highway leading from said bridge to Winthrop street, and thence by Winthrop

street over private land or any new highway which may be constructed to Crystal avenue, and thence on Crystal avenue to the corner of Main street and Crystal avenue to connect with the tracks of The Connecticut Company.

SEC. 3. The capital stock of said company shall be fifty thousand dollars divided into shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase the same to any amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, which shares shall be personal property and shall be transferable only on the books of said company in such manner as the by-laws shall prescribe; and the capital stock of said company may be divided into preferred and common shares in such proportions and amounts, or all common shares, as said company may determine. Said company may borrow money and secure the repayment of the same by issuing its bonds, secured by mortgage upon all the property and franchises of the company, which bonds are to be issued and given under and subject to the provisions, limitations and conditions of the general statutes relating to street railways.

SEC. 4. Said company is authorized to transport freight, passengers or both, over said railway and to collect such reasonable rates of freight or fares of passengers as may be fixed and determined upon by its board of directors.

SEC. 5. Said company is authorized to use electricity, or any other lawful power, as a motive power upon said railway, and may erect, maintain and use all necessary, proper and lawful appliances for the purpose of operating said railway, and for the proper distribution and application of power used by it for that purpose.

SEC. 6. Said company shall have the right to construct additional sidings and spur tracks, stations, freight houses and transmission lines for the transmission of electricity to operate said road; and said company may take for railway purposes such real estate as may be necessary for the proper construction of the same, and may condemn land, when necessary, in the manner provided in the general statutes relating to the taking of land by railroad companies operated by steam.

SEC. 7. The property and affairs of said company shall be managed by not less than three nor more than nine directors who shall be stockholders of said company.

SEC. 8. The corporators above named, or a majority of them, shall open books to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company at such times and places as said corporators, or a majority of them, may appoint, and shall receive such subscriptions under such regulations as they may adopt; and said corporators, or a majority of them, are authorized to call the first meeting of the stockholders in such manner and at such time and place as they may deem best for the purpose of organizing, and of adopting suitable by-laws, and of electing officers.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 931.]

[196.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE MANCHESTER
ELECTRIC COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section twelve of the act incorporating The South Manchester Light, Power and Tramway Company, approved June 14, 1893, is amended to read as follows: Nothing herein shall authorize said corporation to take any water, or water power, from any stream or streams, from which water is used or appropriated or taken by any water company located in said town of Manchester, nor in any way to affect the right, power or privilege of any water company located in said town of Manchester, at the time of granting this charter. Said corporation, in addition to its other powers, is hereby authorized to extend its lines, fixtures and conduits, and exercise its powers, and furnish, produce and distribute light, heat and power from electricity, within said town of Manchester, south of Highland street and east of Gardner street.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 343.]

[197.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NEW MILFORD ELECTRIC LIGHT
COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section four of a resolution incorporating the New Milford Electric Light Company, approved May 27, 1893, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, with the privilege of increasing the same from time to time, as it may see fit, to an amount not to exceed two hundred thousand dollars, by a majority vote of the stock of said corporation passed at a meeting of its stockholders duly warned for that purpose. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of the value of twenty-five dollars each, which shall be deemed personal property, and certificates of said stock shall not be issued until the same shall have been paid for in full, and shall be transferred in such manner upon the books of said corporation as its by-laws shall prescribe.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 925.]

[198.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE LITCHFIELD
ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Litchfield Electric Light and Power Company is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have power to issue and sell from time to time its bonds, secured by mortgage as provided in its charter, to an aggregate amount not exceeding two-thirds of its capital stock outstanding at the time of such issue.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 914.]

[199.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE SOUTH NORWALK
TRUST COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section six of the charter of The South Norwalk Trust Company, approved April 2, 1901, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said company shall be not less than one thousand shares of fifty dollars each, and may be increased by vote of the trustees to any number not exceeding ten thousand shares in the whole, which shall be transferable according to such rules as may be established by the by-laws of said company. Said corporation shall not commence the business authorized in the second section of said charter until at least fifty thousand dollars of the capital stock is subscribed for and taken, and the full amount of the stock so subscribed is paid in.

SEC. 2. Section eight of said charter is amended to read as follows: The affairs of said company shall be managed by a board of not less than five nor more than eleven trustees, a majority of whom shall be residents of the town of Norwalk, who shall be chosen annually by ballot from and by the stockholders in general meeting, and who shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected. The trustees shall choose one of their number to be president and one to be vice-president, and whenever the place of president, vice-president or trustee shall become vacant, by resignation or otherwise, may fill the vacancy for the remainder of the year. The trustees may appoint a secretary, a treasurer and such other officers or agents as may be deemed necessary for con-

ducting the business of said corporation, fix their compensation and determine the amount and sufficiency of the securities to be given by any of them for the faithful performance of his duties. All elections for president, vice-president and trustee shall be by ballot and said trustees may determine how many of their body, not less than a majority, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 303.]

[200.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MERIDEN
AND ISSUING CITY IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The court of common council of the city of Meriden is hereby authorized, by a majority vote of the members thereof present and absent, subject to the approval of the mayor of said city, to issue serial bonds, notes, scrip and other certificates of debt, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, under the corporate name and seal and upon the credit of the city of Meriden, which bonds or other evidences of debt shall be denominated "City Improvement Bonds of the City of Meriden," and the avails thereof, when sold as hereinafter authorized, may be appropriated by said court of common council to defray the expense of the improvements to be made on East Main street and State street as ordered by the court of common council, and for which benefits may be assessed by the board of compensation and accepted and approved by the court of common council against the city of Meriden.

SEC. 2. All appropriations of money made under the provisions of this act shall be made only by the court of common council and shall not be subject to the jurisdiction of the board of apportionment and taxation of said city. The treasurer of said city shall keep a separate account of all moneys received from the avails of any bonds or other evidences of debt under the provisions of this act. Such bonds, notes, scrip or other certificates of debt may be issued in such form and in such sum and made payable at such time or times, and at such annual rate of interest, not exceeding six per centum, payable annually or semi-annually as said court of common council may determine, and may be sold from time to time, under the direction of said court of common council at not less than par, and such serial bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt when issued as aforesaid shall be obligatory upon said city of Meriden, to all intents and purposes and may be collected in the same manner as debts contracted by municipal corporations.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city,

shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 593.]

[201.]

**AN ACT REIMBURSING THE HARTFORD HOSPITAL FOR THE
SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN PATIENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of four hundred thirty-four dollars and fifty-seven cents in favor of the Hartford hospital in payment of the support and maintenance of certain patients transferred to said hospital from the soldiers' home.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 681.]

[202.]

**AN ACT PAYING YANKAUER AND DAVIDSON FOR SERVICES
RENDERED TO THE STATE IN CONNECTION WITH IN-
HERITANCE AND SUCCESSION TAXES**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of Yankauer and Davidson of New York City for the sum of eight hundred nineteen dollars and ninety-one cents, in full compensation for their services rendered to the state in connection with inheritance and succession taxes.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 464.]

[203.]

**AN ACT REIMBURSING W. FRED MORIN FOR DAMAGES
SUSTAINED BY REASON OF THE NEGLIGENCE OF
THE DRIVER OF A STATE TRUCK.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of W. Fred Morin of Windsor for the sum of four hundred dollars

for damages sustained by the death of a horse on September 10, 1919, occasioned by injuries resulting from the negligence of a driver of a state truck.

Approved, May 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 595.]

[204.]

**AN ACT REIMBURSING THE RICHARD MURRAY
BRICK COMPANY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of the Richard Murray Brick Company for the sum of one thousand and sixty-four dollars, in payment of all claims for damage caused by draining a state highway.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 500.]

[205.]

**AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF
THE TITLE AND GUARANTY COMPANY
OF NEW HAVEN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time for organizing the Title and Guaranty Company of New Haven is extended to the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 24.]

[206.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE NEW HAVEN BANKING COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The officers of the New Haven Banking Company are empowered to sell the property and distribute the assets of said corporation on or before July 1, 1921, and said corporation during said period shall transact no other business except winding up the affairs of the corpora-

tion. On and after July 1, 1921, all rights and privileges granted to the New Haven Banking Company shall be annulled, and the charter of said corporation shall be repealed.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 311.]

[207.]

**AN ACT REIMBURSING THE NORWICH STATE HOSPITAL FOR
LOSS OCCASIONED BY FIRE IN A STATE BUILDING.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of one thousand three hundred and thirteen dollars and seventy-eight cents in favor of the treasurer of The Norwich State Hospital, said sum to be used to reimburse The Connecticut Engineering and Construction Company for loss of property occasioned by fire in a state building.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 167.]

[208.]

**AN ACT EXTENDING THE LIMITS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT
IN THE CITY OF SHELTON.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following-described portion of the city of Shelton shall be included in the second district: Commencing at a point on the second district line that was formerly the borough line where it intersects the center line of Kneen street as laid out August, 1917; thence south seventy-three degrees and twenty-nine minutes east along the present district line a distance of eighty-nine and fifty-two one-hundredths feet; thence south twenty-five degrees and forty-two minutes west along the prolongation northerly of the westerly line of Middle avenue and the westerly line of Middle avenue a distance of seven hundred sixty-one and thirty-two one-hundredths feet to the center line of Birch street; thence north sixty-four degrees and twenty-eight minutes west along the center line of Birch street and the prolongation of the center line of Birch street west to where said line intersects the center line of Kneen street; thence running northerly along the center line of Kneen street as laid out a distance of about nine hundred forty-five feet to point of starting; also commencing at a monument on the present district line of what was formerly

the borough line, which point is located by the intersection of two lines, the first drawn from the baseboard at the northeast corner of the house owned by James C. Wilson and eighteen and seventy-eight one-hundredths feet in length and the second drawn from the baseboard at the northeast corner of said house and twenty-three and seventy one-hundredths feet in length; thence north sixty-eight degrees and seventeen minute west a distance of one hundred nineteen and seventy-six one-hundredths feet to the southerly side of Shelton avenue; thence north eighty degrees and nineteen minutes west along the southerly side of Shelton avenue a distance of two hundred eleven and twenty-five one-hundredths feet to the center of Beardsley street, said point being located by the intersection of two lines, the first drawn from the baseboard at the northwest corner of the house owned by Harold Harris and forty-five and thirty-eight one-hundredths feet in length and the second drawn from the baseboard at the southwest corner of said house and fifty and thirty one-hundredths feet in length; thence south twenty-four degrees and sixteen minutes west along the center line of Beardsley street a distance of two hundred nineteen and twenty-five one-hundredths feet; thence south twenty-four degrees and twenty-one minutes west continuing along the center line of Beardsley street a distance of five hundred thirty-two and forty-five one-hundredths feet; thence south eighty-nine degrees and forty-four feet east a distance of two hundred fifty-three and twenty one-hundredths feet to a monument on the southerly side of the old Huntington road; thence north seventy-three degrees and twenty-four minutes east along the southerly side of the old Huntington road, to a monument a distance of three hundred thirteen and ninety-six one-hundredths feet; thence south eighty-one degrees and five minutes east along the southerly side of the old Huntington road to a monument a distance of three hundred seventeen and forty-one hundredths feet; thence north eighty-two degrees and forty-four minutes east a distance of thirteen and eighteen one-hundredths feet to the present district line.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 655.]

[209.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE
IN THE TOWN OF ORANGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. On and after the first day of October, 1921, all bills presented to the board of selectmen of the town of Orange, or to any board of commissioners or officer of said town for payment by said town

shall be referred by such board or officer, on or before the first day of the month next following, to the clerk of the board of finance of said town. On the first Thursday of each month, at a time and place to be fixed by the first selectman of Orange, said board shall hold a meeting. At said meeting said clerk shall present all of such bills filed with him to the board of finance for its consideration, and at such meeting or any adjournment thereof said board shall audit such bills, and shall examine as to the correctness and legality thereof, and may approve, reject, compromise or disallow the same as the interests of the town may require. Said board shall have power to require any such bill to be certified as to its correctness. In all cases, where any bill or claim against the town shall receive the approval of a majority of said board present at any such meeting the word "Approved" shall be endorsed thereon and the signature of the members of said board so approving, attached thereto. Said bill or claim shall thereupon be transmitted without delay, by said clerk, to the board of selectmen for payment.

SEC. 2. On and after said first day of October, 1921, said board of selectmen shall pay no bill or claim presented to the town of Orange unless the same shall be first approved by the board of finance, provided this act shall not apply to bills for wages of town employees, or to payments of salaries due to town officers, or to disbursements on account of the public schools of Orange, or to the teachers therein, or to such amounts as the board of selectmen may deem necessary for the proper care and support of paupers and other indigent persons requiring town assistance or relief.

SEC. 3. Said board of finance shall have power to hold special meetings for any of the purposes required by this act and at any meeting may, in advance, authorize the board of selectmen to pay, upon maturity or when due, any sum required to be paid for interest, or for the cancellation of any indebtedness arising from any note, bond or other lawful contract of the town requiring payment at a particular time named therein.

SEC. 4. Except as herein provided on and after said first day of October, 1921, no board of commissioners or officer of said town shall have power to order or contract for the purchase of any merchandise or for any labor or material in excess of the sum of one hundred dollars unless such contract or order shall first have received the approval of the board of finance. The board of finance shall fix the salaries of all town officers, when not otherwise provided by law, and determine the time of payment thereof and may increase or diminish the same.

SEC. 5. Each member of the board of finance shall receive for his services the sum of one hundred dollars per annum, the same to be paid quarterly on the first days of January, April, July and October in each year.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 682.]

[210.]

AN ACT MAKING PAYMENT TO CHARLES C. COOK FOR
SERVICES RENDERED THE STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of Charles C. Cook of West Hartford for the sum of two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, in payment of services rendered as a committee of the superior court in the hearings held by the American Real Estate Company on its application to do business in this state.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 110.]

[211.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO
JOHN A. CARBRAY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by John A. Carbray of Norwich by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 502.]

[212.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE HARTLEY CORPORATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Helen Hartley Jenkins of New York city, Grace Hartley Jenkins of Norfolk, Connecticut, Samuel A. Brown of New York city, Everett J. Lake of Hartford, Connecticut, and Robbins B. Stoeckel of Norfolk, Connecticut, and such others as they may associate with them, are constituted a body politic and corporate under the name of the Hartley Corporation, and by that name may purchase, take, receive, hold, sell and convey any estate, real or personal, may have a common seal and alter the same, may sue and be sued, may appoint such officers, agents, assistants and servants as it may deem advisable and may define their powers and duties and determine their term of office or employment.

SEC. 2. The general object of said corporation shall be to promote the well-being of mankind by the disbursement of moneys for charitable,

benevolent or educational purposes; and in particular, but without limiting the foregoing, to receive from the said Helen Hartley Jenkins, from time to time, a trust fund made up of cash, securities or property, whether real or personal, or of whatsoever kind or nature the same may be, and to hold the same as a fund in trust and to invest and reinvest and manage the same in the manner hereinafter provided. The said corporation is further authorized to acquire or receive any other property, real or personal, from any other source that may be transferred to it for the purposes of said corporation and to apply the same for such purposes as are herein stated. Payments from the said Helen Hartley Jenkins or others on account of said endowment or trust fund may be made either unconditionally or upon condition by which the donor retains the income from the principal during her life and upon her death the payment of the principal becomes unconditional.

SEC. 3. The care, control and disposition of the property and the management of the affairs of said corporation shall be vested in the said incorporators as trustees. Those incorporators named in section one who shall accept office by enrolling their names as trustees upon the records of said corporation shall constitute the first board of trustees and shall, at their first meeting, in event that all the incorporators named do not accept office, select an additional trustee or trustees in the place of any incorporator or incorporators who do not accept office as aforesaid in order to bring the total number of trustees up to five, and thereafter the board of trustees shall, as soon as practicable, after the death or resignation of any trustee, fill the vacancy so created by the selection of another trustee, who shall accept office within thirty days after his selection by enrolling his name as such trustee upon the records of the corporation. The said trustees may act as a body or may select a managing trustee or an executive board or both from their number to have such powers as said trustees may direct, and shall accumulate, pay over and apply all of the income, avails and receipts from the said endowment fund, excepting the expenses of administering the trust, including any proper salary paid to any manager, for such charitable, benevolent and educational purposes, as they, the said board of trustees, shall in their discretion select, and excepting also, in the event of a conditional gift as herein provided, the payment of the income in accordance with such condition. The said trustees shall have all powers necessary and proper to the management of said fund and its use for the purposes herein named. The said trustees may, if they so determine, accumulate income and not pay it over for any period that they may decide and may in their discretion add such income to the principal of said trust. They may, in the exercise of said discretion, make, execute and deliver necessary and proper agreements for the carrying out of the purposes of the trust, and may vote stock by proxy signed by vote of said trustees. Expenditures shall not be limited to any territorial divisions of the United States, but moneys paid out from income for the

purposes of the corporation shall be expended within the limits of the United States. Said trustees may hold and retain as investments any and all of the stocks, bonds or other real and personal property made a part of the said trust fund or may sell or convey the same in accordance with their judgment. Investments by trustees shall be made only upon the unanimous vote or consent of said trustees. Such investments shall not be subject to the requirements of the laws of this state relating to the investment of trust funds.

SEC. 4. No trustee or member of the corporation shall be paid any portion of the receipts or income nor shall any other property held or received by said corporation be paid to him except as compensation for services rendered to the corporation as an officer or other agent thereof.

SEC. 5. The governor of Connecticut shall be ex officio a trustee of said corporation during the term of his office and upon the termination of his incumbency as governor he shall be succeeded by the incoming governor without action on his part and without action on the part of the corporation.

SEC. 6. Said corporation is empowered to establish, from time to time, by-laws for the regulation of its agents and its board of trustees and may establish, change and modify rules and regulations, terms and conditions for the management of said trust.

SEC. 7. The purposes and objects of the said corporation are declared to constitute a public use and all the property of said corporation which shall be held for said purposes, including personal property received as an endowment fund, excepting only such income as is paid in the fulfillment of any conditional payment, shall be exempt from taxation. All gifts to said corporation shall be exempt from the operation of the inheritance tax laws of this state.

SEC. 8. The first meeting of said corporation shall be held on the call of said Helen Hartley Jenkins or upon the written notice of any three of said incorporators signed by them which shall state the time and place of meeting and shall be addressed to each of the incorporators and either left at their last place of abode or deposited in the postoffice at Hartford at least five days before the date of said meeting.

SEC. 9. The annual meeting of the corporation and the board of trustees shall be held in Hartford during the month of January in each year, the date to be specified in the call for the meeting to be issued by the appropriate officers under order of the board of trustees. Other meetings of the corporation or of the board of trustees shall be held as provided for in the by-laws to be adopted by said corporation. Three members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the corporation, but the vote of any member or any trustee may be by proxy delivered to another member or trustee, except that no vote of a trustee by proxy shall be cast upon any question of investment of funds.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 177.]

[213.]

AN ACT CONCERNING RICHMOND HILL AVENUE BRIDGE
BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The selectmen and treasurer of the town of Stamford are authorized to issue, in the name and upon the faith and credit of said town, bonds to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate thirty-six thousand dollars, which shall be denominated "Richmond Hill Avenue Bridge Bonds," which bonds shall be serial, maturing at the rate of two thousand dollars annually commencing at the end of the second year after date of their issue, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; may be registered or with coupons attached and may be sold by or under the direction of said selectmen and treasurer in such manner as they may deem expedient at not less than the par value thereof and accrued interest. The avails of the sale of such bonds shall be used by or under the direction of said selectmen in constructing a bridge across the Rippowam river on Richmond Hill avenue in said Stamford. Subject to the foregoing limitations, the selectmen and treasurer of said town shall determine the form, denomination and time and place of payment of both principal and interest on said bonds, and may fix the place of payment either within this state or at any incorporated bank in the city of New York. Said bonds shall be signed by said selectmen and treasurer and their signatures thereon shall be sufficient evidence that the form of bond and time and place of payment thereof have been determined by them to be as indicated by said bonds. Coupons attached to such bonds need not be signed, but shall bear a lithographed facsimile of a signature of said town treasurer. Such bonds, when so executed and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said town and upon all the inhabitants and property thereof.

SEC. 2. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 178.]

[214.]

AN ACT CONCERNING HOPE STREET ROAD IMPROVEMENT
BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The selectmen and treasurer of the town of Stamford are authorized to issue, in the name and upon the faith and credit of said town, bonds to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate two hundred thirty-four thousand dollars, which shall be denominated "Hope Street Road Improvement Bonds," which bonds shall be serial, maturing at the rate of six thousand dollars commencing at the end of the second year after date of their issue, and twelve thousand dollars annually thereafter, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; may be registered or with coupons attached and may be sold by or under the direction of said selectmen and treasurer in such manner as they may deem expedient at not less than the par value thereof and accrued interest. The avails of the sale of such bonds shall be used by or under the direction of said selectmen in constructing a durable pavement road from a point on Hope street, in said Stamford at the junction of Rock Spring road at the end of the city line continuing on Hope street northerly to the New Canaan town line. Subject to the foregoing limitations, the selectmen and treasurer of said town shall determine the form, denomination and time and place of payment of both principal and interest of said bonds, and may fix the place of payment either within this state or at any incorporated bank in the city of New York. Said bonds shall be signed by said selectmen and treasurer and their signatures thereon shall be sufficient evidence that the form of bond and time and place of payment thereof have been determined by them to be as indicated by said bonds. Coupons attached to such bonds need not be signed, but shall bear a lithographed facsimile of a signature of said town treasurer. Such bonds, when so executed and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said town and upon all the inhabitants and property thereof.

SEC. 2. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 307.]

[215.]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE NORWICH
STATE HOSPITAL.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars is appropriated for The Norwich State Hospital, for furnishing a water supply by connecting with the water supply of the city of Norwich.

SEC. 2. To carry out the provisions of this act, the chairman of the board of trustees of The Norwich State Hospital is authorized to make a contract in the name and on behalf of the state with the city of Norwich, under the provisions of which said city shall furnish water to said hospital on such terms and conditions as shall be approved by a majority of the board of trustees of said hospital.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 221.]

[216.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MERIDEN TO ISSUE
BONDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT
OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The court of common council of the city of Meriden is authorized, by a majority vote of its members and subject to the approval of the mayor of said city, to issue bonds, notes, scrip or other certificates of debt to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, which bonds or other evidences of debt shall be denominated "Fire House Improvement Bonds of the City of Meriden." The avails of such bonds may be appropriated by said court of common council to defray any expenses incurred in the construction and equipment in said city of a fire department building and for no other purpose.

SEC. 2. All appropriations of money under the provisions of this act shall be made only by the court of common council and shall not be subject to the jurisdiction of the board of apportionment and taxation of said city. The treasurer of said city shall keep a separate account of all moneys received from the avails of such bonds or other evidences of debt. Such bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt may be issued in serial form, in such amounts, made payable at such time or times and at such annual rate of interest, not exceeding five per

centum, payable annually or semi-annually, as said court of common council may determine and may be sold from time to time under the direction of said court of common council at not less than par, and such bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt, when issued as aforesaid, shall be obligatory upon said city of Meriden to all intents and purposes and may be collected in the same manner as debts contracted by municipal corporations.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 130.]

[217.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE BRIDGEPORT
HYDRAULIC COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, incorporated under the provisions of a resolution approved June 26, 1857, is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to an amount not exceeding ten million dollars, the shares of which additional stock shall be of the par value of one hundred dollars each and shall be issued for not less than par in cash or its equivalent.

SEC. 2. Section four of said resolution incorporating The Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, as amended by resolution approved April 8, 1913, is amended to read as follows: The government and direction of the affairs of said company shall be vested in a board of not less than five nor more than fifteen directors, who shall be chosen by the stockholders of said company in the manner hereinafter provided; a majority of whom shall be residents of the city of Bridgeport. Said directors shall hold their offices until others are duly elected and qualified to take their places as directors; and said directors, any three of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, shall elect one of their number to be chairman of the board. They shall also elect one of their number to be president of said company, who may, if the board so vote, also hold the office of chairman of the board, and shall elect one of their number to be vice-president of said company. They shall also choose a secretary and a treasurer, which treasurer shall give bonds with security to said company, in such sum as said directors may require, for the faithful discharge of his trust.

SEC. 3. Section fifteen of said resolution incorporating The Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, as amended by resolution approved May 5, 1893, and by section two of a resolution approved April 20, 1915, is amended to read as follows: And said company shall have power and authority to issue its bonds, to an aggregate amount not exceeding one-half the fair value of its property and rights as the same may exist from time to time when said company shall take action to make such issue; said bonds to be countersigned by the commissioners of said company that are herein or may hereafter be appointed by the general assembly, and to be certified by said commissioners on their face to be for an aggregate amount not exceeding one-half of the value aforesaid; and said bonds shall be and remain a lien and incumbrance in the nature of a mortgage, on all the franchises, property and rights of said company; and said commissioners shall make return to the town clerk's office of the town of Bridgeport from time to time as and when any such bonds shall be issued by said company, stating the amount so issued. In case of the death or disability of one commissioner the acts of the other in countersigning and certifying the bonds issued by the company shall, until another commissioner be appointed, have the same validity as the acts of both commissioners. Each commissioner shall be entitled to receive fifty cents for each and every bond issued.

SEC. 4. Section three of said resolution approved May 5, 1893, is repealed.

Approved, May 10, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 618.]

[218.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CONNECTICUT
STATE HOSPITAL FOR EXTRAORDINARY REPAIRS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is appropriated for the Connecticut State Hospital at Middletown for extraordinary repairs.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 619.]

[219.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION TO CARRY OUT THE
PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 77 OF THE
PUBLIC ACTS OF 1921.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of two thousand dollars is appropriated for the public utilities commission for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921, to carry out the provisions of chapter 77 of the public acts of 1921, entitled "An Act concerning Public Service Motor Vehicles operating over Fixed Routes."

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 596.]

[220.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE RIGGS SCHOOL, INC.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Riggs School, Inc., is continued a body politic and corporate, without capital stock, located in the town of Salisbury.

SEC. 2. The purposes of said corporation are to establish, maintain and conduct a school for the preparation of boys and young men for country life by giving them a training in agriculture and allied subjects and in such other subjects as may seem beneficial.

SEC. 3. Said corporation is vested with the title to all real and personal property and choses in action heretofore acquired by and now belonging to it, and is authorized and empowered in addition thereto to acquire in any manner and on any terms such real and personal property and such choses in action as may be deemed advisable in carrying out its purposes, and shall have power to manage, control, convey, mortgage and otherwise dispose of its property at its pleasure. Said corporation is made subject to all its present liabilities and may hereafter contract new liabilities, for all of which liabilities it shall be liable in its corporate capacity and no officer or member shall be liable therefor unless he shall assume or shall have assumed such liability.

SEC. 4. The present members of the corporation: Valerie B. Riggs, Francis Behn Riggs and William Wadsworth shall continue to be members until others are chosen in their place. The number of members shall be limited to eighteen, and the term of membership shall be provided in the by-laws. Additional members, within the limitation of the

number above provided, and members to fill vacancies may be chosen by the members from time to time.

SEC. 5. The management and control of the property and affairs of the corporation is vested in the members, but the members may delegate any of their powers, except the power to choose members, to such committee of members or to such officers or agents as they may select. The members shall have power to make by-laws not inconsistent with law for the government of the affairs of the corporation. The members of the corporation shall hold one meeting in each year in the state of Connecticut. Other meetings of the members and meetings of any committees of members may be held within or without the state of Connecticut. At any meeting of members a majority thereof shall constitute a quorum. Any action shall be taken by majority vote of those present. A member may be present and vote in person or by proxy. Stated meetings of members shall be held as provided in the by-laws, and no notice thereof need be given. Notice of the time and place of special meetings of members shall be given as provided in the by-laws, but no notice of the object of a special meeting need be given.

SEC. 6. The members of the corporation shall receive no compensation for their services in such capacity, but this shall not prevent the members from receiving compensation for services rendered to the corporation in other capacities. The net income of the corporation, if any, shall be applied only to the purposes of the corporation, and shall in no event be paid to the members of the corporation.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 169.]

[221.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TOWN COURT
OF ORANGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section fourteen of an act establishing the town court of Orange, approved March 21, 1895, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall appoint some reputable person residing within said town as clerk of said court whose term of office shall expire at the same time as the term of such judge. Such clerk shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duty, and keep a record of such court, and certify the same and copies thereof, and shall receive all fines and costs paid before commitment; and all fines and costs paid after commitment to the keeper of the jail, workhouse or other place where the offender is confined, shall be paid by such keeper to said clerk on demand. Said clerk shall also draw from the superior court or court of common pleas all sums taxed in it for costs in said town court in cases

before said superior court and said court of common pleas from said town court, by appeal, binding over or otherwise, including all costs in cases before said town court when the accused shall be discharged for want of probable cause when the offense charged is beyond the jurisdiction of said town court. All fines, costs and other sums coming into his hands shall be paid by said clerk into the said town treasury for the use thereof, except that all fines or forfeitures received for the violation of any by-law or ordinance of the town of Orange shall be paid by said clerk into the treasury of said town, and said clerk shall draw orders on the town treasury aforesaid, for all such costs and fees as may be taxed by said court in any criminal case and payable from the town treasury, and costs and fees shall be paid only to those persons in whose favor they may have been taxed.

Sec. 2. Section seventeen of said act as amended by section three of an act approved June 5, 1913, and by an act approved April 2, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The judge of said court shall receive a salary of one thousand dollars per annum. The deputy judge shall receive a salary of eight hundred dollars per annum. The clerk of said court shall receive a salary of nine hundred dollars per annum. The prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of seven hundred fifty dollars per annum and the assistant prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of seven hundred fifty dollars per annum. The salaries provided for in this section shall be in lieu of all fees for services of said officers and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town of Orange upon the order of the judge of said court. The judge may appoint an assistant clerk who shall have the same powers and shall perform the same duties as the clerk and his compensation shall be fixed by the judge of said court and shall be paid from the treasury of said town of Orange upon the order of said judge, but in no event shall such compensation exceed two hundred and fifty dollars in any one year. On or before the twentieth day of September in each year the clerk of said court shall prepare and file with the board of selectmen of the town of Orange a written report showing the number of civil cases and the number of criminal prosecutions brought in or returned to said town court of Orange within the twelve months next preceding the first day of September in each year, the total amount of money received by said clerk on account of such civil actions and criminal prosecutions, the amount of disbursements and the balance on hand, if any, to said first day of September. Said report shall be published in the annual report of the town.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 708.]

[222.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORWALK TO
ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Norwalk is hereby authorized to issue, under its corporate name and seal and upon the credit of said city, bonds to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, which bonds shall be denominated "Park and Highway Bonds." Said bonds shall be sold at not less than par, and the avails thereof, when sold, shall be applied for the purpose of laying out, constructing and maintaining parks and highways and any other necessary expense connected with said public works within said city. Such bonds shall be serial bonds and may be registered or with coupons attached and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, the principal thereof to be payable at some certain time or times not later than thirty years after the date thereof.

SEC. 2. The board of estimate and taxation of said city shall determine, subject to the approval of the city council of said city and to the foregoing limitations, the denomination and form of such bonds, whether coupon or otherwise, and registered or not registered, the several and aggregate amounts thereof, the annual rate of interest thereon, the dates of the issue and maturity of the same, the place or places of paying interest and principal, the manner in which said bonds shall be issued, and the person or persons by whom said bonds shall be signed and executed, negotiated, sold and delivered on behalf of said city; and said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said city of Norwalk and upon all the inhabitants and property thereof, according to the tenor of the same.

SEC. 3. The board of estimate and taxation shall annually make an appropriation for the payment of the interest on such bonds as it becomes due, and also for the payment and cancellation of such bonds as they respectively mature until the entire issue is paid.

SEC. 4. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

SEC. 5. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority of the votes of the electors of said city of Norwalk cast at the biennial city election to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921. If said vote shall be in favor of the approval of this act, it shall thereupon take effect, and a certificate of such vote of approval

signed by the clerk of said city, shall be transmitted by him to the secretary of the state, who shall record the same.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 396.]

[223.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING HARTFORD COUNTY TO TAKE CERTAIN
LAND OR PROPERTY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Hartford county may take any land or other property which its commissioners deem necessary for a proper approach to the eastern end of the bridge now being constructed by said county over the Connecticut river between Windsor Locks and Warehouse Point in the town of East Windsor.

SEC. 2. The procedure for condemning any such land or property, in the event said county shall not be able to agree with the owner or owners upon the amount to be paid for the same, shall be that prescribed in section 5186 of the general statutes.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 669.]

[224.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF FINANCE
IN THE TOWN OF HAMDEN AND INCREASING
THE POWERS OF THE SELECTMEN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section eleven of an act amending an act creating a board of finance in the town of Hamden and increasing the powers of the selectmen, approved June 6, 1913, is amended to read as follows: The board of selectmen is authorized to cause to be prepared and to adopt a proper plan for the disposal of sewage in said town, and if for the best interests of said town, to acquire control of any existing system or systems of sewers or drains and maintain and operate the same; to lay out, build, construct, repair, maintain and operate sewers, drains, disposal plants, pumping apparatus and all necessary appurtenances thereof, through and along the streets and highways and in public and private grounds in said town; and to assess all initial expense of such sewerage system or systems and the expense of maintenance, repair and operation thereof, or such part of any such expense as said board shall deem reasonable,

upon the property abutting upon such streets and highways through which such sewers are laid, and which may be benefited or improved thereby, subject to the same notice and manner of assessment and appeal therefrom, as is provided in sections eight, nine and ten of this act. This act shall not take effect until approved by a majority of voters voting thereon at the next annual meeting of said town or at a special meeting thereof, which meeting shall be warned and held for that purpose.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 354.]

[225.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SALISBURY CUTLERY HANDLE
COMPANY TO GENERATE, SELL, DELIVER
AND DISTRIBUTE ELECTRICITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Salisbury Cutlery Handle Company, a corporation organized under the general laws of the state of Connecticut and located and doing business in the town of Salisbury in said state, is authorized to generate, distribute and deliver electricity, within said town of Salisbury, to all lands which now are or may hereafter be owned by said company, and to sell, distribute and deliver electricity for all purposes to The Connecticut Power Company and to all users in all parts of the town of Salisbury not covered by the lines of The Connecticut Power Company, with the right to maintain wires and other electric conductors necessary or convenient for its business, on or under the streets, highways and public grounds in all parts of said town not covered by the lines of The Connecticut Power Company.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 500.]

[226.]

AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF THE NEW BRITAIN
CHARITY ORGANIZATION TO WELFARE ASSO-
CIATION OF NEW BRITAIN

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The name of the New Britain Charity Organization, incorporated by a resolution approved June 19, 1895, is changed to the Welfare Association of New Britain.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 181.]

[227.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR IMPROVEMENT OF
STEAMSHIP TERMINALS AT NEW LONDON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of fifty thousand dollars is appropriated to be expended by and under the direction of the commissioners of rivers, harbors and bridges in acquiring by purchase or condemnation the rights of the Central Vermont Railway Company and the New London Northern Railway Company and mortgagees of said companies in land at New London held by the state under lease, as may be necessary or desirable for the improvement of the steamship terminals at New London.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 179.]

[228.]

AN ACT CONCERNING SOUTH AND STATE STREET OR RICE
SCHOOL BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The selectmen and treasurer of the town of Stamford are authorized to issue, in the name and upon the faith and credit of said town, bonds to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate two hundred fifty-eight thousand dollars, which shall be denominated "South and State Street or Rice School Bonds," which bonds shall be serial, maturing at the rate of eleven thousand dollars commencing at the end of the second year after date of their issue and thirteen thousand dollars annually thereafter, shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; may be registered or with coupons attached and may be sold by or under the direction of said selectmen and treasurer in such manner as they may deem expedient at not less than the par value thereof and accrued interest. The avails of the sale of such bonds shall be used by or under the direction of said selectmen in constructing a new schoolhouse known as Rice school and located at the northwest corner of South and State streets in said Stamford. Subject to the foregoing limitations, the selectmen and treasurer of said town shall determine the form, denomination and time and place of payment of both principal and interest of said bonds, and may fix the place of payment either within this state or at any incorporated bank in the city of New York. Said bonds shall be signed by said selectmen and treasurer and their signatures thereon shall be sufficient evidence

that the form of bond and time and place of payment thereof have been determined by them to be as indicated by said bonds. Coupons attached to such bonds need not be signed but shall bear a lithographed facsimile of the signature of said town treasurer. Such bonds, when so executed and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said town and upon all the inhabitants and property thereof.

SEC. 2. The amount of the bond issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 715.]

[229.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SEYMOUR TO ISSUE
BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Seymour is hereby authorized to issue, under its corporate name and seal and upon the credit of said town, bonds to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, which bonds shall be designated "Seymour High School Bonds," and the avails thereof, when sold, shall be devoted to defraying the cost of the erection and equipment of the new high school building in said town. Said bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars each, shall be numbered consecutively and shall be payable in amounts of five thousand dollars annually. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be signed by the selectmen and treasurer of said town, and such bonds, when issued, shall be obligatory upon the town of Seymour and the inhabitants thereof according to their tenor and purport.

SEC. 2. The board of finance of said town shall determine, subject to the approval of a town meeting to be duly warned and held for that purpose, the form, whether coupon or otherwise, and registered or not registered, of said bonds, designate a bank or trust company at which said bonds, including the principal and interest, shall be paid, determine the rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding six per centum per annum, fix the date of the issue of said bonds and the amount of such issue, and arrange for the sale of the same at not less than par.

SEC. 3. The board of finance of said town shall include in the annual appropriations of the town sufficient amounts of money to pay

the interest on said bonds as it shall become due, and to redeem and pay off five thousand dollars of said bonds each year.

SEC. 4. The numbers of the bonds, and the numbers and amounts of such bonds to be redeemed each year, shall be entered upon the records of said town by the town treasurer, and each year the bonds redeemed shall be cancelled by the town treasurer, and the amounts and numbers of the bonds so redeemed and cancelled shall be entered upon the records of the town by the town treasurer.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from the date of its approval by the legal voters of the town at a special town meeting to be called by the selectmen of the town and held for that purpose.

SEC. 6. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 654.]

[230.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. On the first Monday of August, 1921, the board of finance of the town of Orange shall hold a meeting, and may adjourn such meeting from time to time during said month. At such meeting or any adjournment thereof it shall make estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for the expenses of said town of Orange for that period of time between the second Monday of October, 1921, and the first day of May, 1922, and of the rate of taxation required to meet the same. At said meeting said board, in its discretion, may make appropriations for the cancellation or reduction of any part of the debt of the town, through a sinking fund or otherwise, and may provide for the expense of any public improvement or for any obligation or financial requirement of the town. It shall classify all appropriations under appropriate heads and departments and shall lay such tax or taxes upon the ratable estates, within the limits of said town, as shall be necessary to meet such appropriations. Said board shall give notice to each board or department of a definite time when and place where it shall meet to consider the needs of such board or department. Such appropriations and the rate of taxation required to meet the same shall be filed in the office of the town clerk of said town on or before the first Monday in September next ensuing and within one week thereafter shall be printed and circulated among the electors of said town in such

manner as such board shall provide. On the second Tuesday in September, 1921, said board of finance shall hold a public hearing upon said appropriations and estimates, and of the rate of taxation required therefor. Said board shall cause public notice of said hearing, together with the time and place thereof, to be published in a newspaper published or having a circulation in said town at least three days before the date of said hearing. Said notice shall be published at least twice in said paper. After said hearing said board shall finally determine as to the appropriations to be made and the rate of taxation required therefor, and said rate of taxation and the appropriations so made after said hearing, by said board, shall be the rate of taxation and the appropriations of said town for said time. Said board of finance shall have power to fix the date for the payment of the taxes herein provided to be laid.

SEC. 2. On the first Monday of March, 1922, and on the first Monday of March in each succeeding year thereafter, the board of finance of the town of Orange shall hold a meeting and may adjourn such meeting from time to time during said month. At said meeting or any adjournment thereof it shall make estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for the expenses of said town of Orange for the year beginning on the first day of May, 1922, and of the rate of taxation required to meet the same. Said board, in its discretion, may make appropriations for the cancellation or reduction of any part of the debt of the town through a sinking fund or otherwise, may provide for the expense of any public improvement, or for any obligation or financial requirement of the town. It shall classify all appropriations under appropriate heads or departments and shall lay such tax or taxes, upon the basis of the grand list last completed, and upon the ratable estates within the limits of said town, as it shall deem necessary to meet such appropriations. Said board shall give notice to each board or department of a definite time when and place where it will meet to consider the needs of such board or department. Said appropriations and the rate of taxation required to meet the same shall be filed in the office of the town clerk on or before the first Monday in April next ensuing, and within one week thereafter shall be printed and circulated among the electors of said town in such manner as said board shall provide. On the second Tuesday in April in each year said board of finance shall hold a public hearing on such appropriations and estimates, and the rate of taxation required therefor. Said board shall cause public notice of said hearing, together with the time and place thereof to be published in a newspaper published and having a circulation in said town, at least twice, not less than three days before the date of said hearing. After said hearing said board shall, by vote, finally determine as to said appropriations and the rate of taxation required therefor and the rate of taxation and appropriations so made shall be the rate of taxation and the appropriations of said town for the

ensuing year, beginning on the first day of May next following. Said board shall fix a date when the tax or taxes so laid shall be payable, and shall have power to make such tax payable in installments of not more than two in any year. The total amount of appropriations for such year shall not exceed the estimated income of that year and neither the board of selectmen, the town school committee or any board of commissioners in said town shall vote to incur any liability or expense, by contract or otherwise, for which said town shall be responsible in excess of the appropriations so made, except as otherwise provided by law or approved by said board of finance.

SEC. 3. If a special appropriation is required for any purpose an estimate of the same shall be prepared by said board of finance at a meeting called for that purpose and said board shall have power to compute and to lay such special tax as shall be necessary to meet the same. Said special tax shall not be laid, or any appropriation for the expenditure of the funds to be realized from said special tax made, until after the hearing as hereinbefore provided in this act. When such appropriation is in excess of the unappropriated revenues of said town such appropriation shall not be made unless a special tax is laid as aforesaid sufficient to cover the same. If, in the judgment of said board, the amount required for such special appropriation shall not warrant the laying and collection of a special tax therefor, said board may authorize the board of selectmen to borrow said amount, and may include the amount of such special appropriation in the next annual rate of taxation to be laid by said board or in any apportionment thereof, if necessary, between the taxing districts of said town.

SEC. 4. On the first Monday in October, 1921, and biennially thereafter, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the regular town meeting of said town shall be called, a moderator elected and said regular town meeting shall then be adjourned until the second Monday in October at eight o'clock p. m.

SEC. 5. Sections five and six of an act creating a board of finance for the town of Orange, increasing the powers of the selectmen, and repealing the charter of the borough of West Haven, approved July 13, 1911, are repealed.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 412.]

[231.]

**AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF NETS IN WRIGHT'S
COVE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

No person shall draw, set or use any net, seine, fyke net or set net in the waters of Wright's cove in the town of Portland between June

first and March first. Any person violating any provision of this act shall be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days or both.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 308.]

[232.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY
OF MERIDEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section nine of an act revising and amending the charter of the city of Meriden, approved March 28, 1879, is amended to read as follows: The clerk of said city shall keep the records of said city subject to the direction of the court of common council; make true and regular records of all votes and proceedings of the court of common council, the board of compensation, the sewer committee and the street committee of said court of common council; prepare all papers relating to the business of said board of compensation, said sewer committee and said street committee whenever requested so to do; shall notify all persons elected to any office in said city of their election, within five days thereafter; shall collect and pay to the treasurer all sums due for licenses, and perform such other services as the by-laws of said city may require. He shall also cause all city by-laws to be published as soon as the same are enacted, unless otherwise provided, and record the fact of such publication. He shall make upon said records, from time to time, records of his own acts in serving notices of orders passed by the court of common council. He shall also, whenever an assistant clerk shall be appointed, record the fact giving validity to such appointment. All records heretofore kept, or which may hereafter be kept, by any clerk of said city, shall have the same validity as the records of town clerks, and shall be, in all courts, evidence of the truth of the matters therein recorded; and a copy of any official record heretofore kept, or which may hereafter be kept, by any clerk of said city, or by any assistant clerk thereof, certified under the hand of any clerk or assistant clerk of said city, shall be received in all courts as evidence in the same manner as the original record would be received.

SEC. 2. Section seventeen of said act is amended to read as follows: The court of common council shall have power to make, alter, repeal and enforce such by-laws and ordinances not inconsistent with this charter, or the statute laws of this state, as they may see fit in relation to the following subjects and for the following purposes: To manage, regulate and control the finances and property, real and personal, of the city, and to authorize and regulate the borrowing of money by the city

temporarily in anticipation of the amount to be derived from the collection of a tax, to regulate the mode of assessment and collection of taxes for city purposes; to regulate the discounts to be made and the penalties to be enforced in the collection of taxes; to provide for the due execution, authentication and delivery of deeds, grants and releases of city property, contracts and evidences of indebtedness issued by said city; to provide for the mode of keeping the accounts of said city, and of adjusting claims against said city and paying the same; to provide for the policing of said city; to provide, regulate and prescribe the duties of a city police force, to punish the resistance, hindrance or obstruction of policemen and other public officers in the discharge of their duties; to preserve the public peace and good order; to prevent vice and immorality; to prevent and quell riots and disorderly assemblies; to suppress gambling houses, houses of ill-fame and disorderly houses; to prevent the carrying on of any trade or business, and the keeping open of stores, shops and saloons between the sunset and midnight of the Sabbath or Lord's day; to compel the closing of saloons and other places where spirituous and intoxicating liquors are kept and sold, or are reputed to be kept and sold, and places reputed to be gambling places, at such suitable hours during the night season as said court of common council may designate, and at such other times and on such occasions as may be required by the public good; to enable the police force to preserve order, prevent disorder, prevent the violation of and enforce the ordinances of said city; to protect said city from fires; to organize, maintain and regulate a fire department and fire apparatus; to regulate the mode of building and the materials used for building or altering of buildings within said city or any part thereof; to grant permits for the erection, addition to, repair and enlargement of buildings, in any part of said city, and to prevent the erection, addition to, repair or enlargement thereof without the permission of said court of common council; to regulate the using and heating of the buildings, and the cleansing of chimneys in said city when such regulation may seem expedient for the purpose of protecting said city from the danger of fire; to establish and designate districts of said city within which it shall not be lawful to erect, enlarge, repair or elevate, or into which or within which it shall not be lawful to remove any wooden building except by license of said court of common council; to prohibit the erection, construction or use within said city of buildings which by reason of their structure or use are, or may become, unsafe; to provide for and enforce the disuse, removal or demolition of such buildings, or such parts thereof as are or may become unsafe; to regulate and provide for safe and convenient egress, in case of fire or other accident, from buildings designated in whole or in part for public use, already erected, or which may hereafter be erected within said city, and to prohibit the use of such buildings which are or may become unsafe by reason of insufficient facilities for egress, or for other cause; to license, regulate or prohibit the manufacture, keep-

ing, sale or use of fireworks, gunpowder, petroleum or any other explosive or inflammable materials within said city, or the conveyance thereof through the streets of said city; to regulate, and within such limits and in such places as said court of common council may prescribe, to prohibit, the discharge of firearms in said city; to regulate, and whenever the public safety requires, to prohibit the erection and use of stationary steam boilers; to make, maintain and regulate public hydrants, wells and pumps, and to provide the same with water; to protect the same from injury; to prevent the unnecessary waste of water in the use of the city water works; to erect, maintain and protect public lamps in said city; to establish building lines in said city, between which and the highways, streets and walks of said city it shall not be lawful to erect buildings or other structures; to provide for the laying out, grading, discontinuing, establishing and making highways, streets, walks, squares, parks, public grounds, openings for the circulation of air, drains and gutters, and for the raising, filling up and draining of low lands; to provide for the laying out, constructing and altering of sewers through the streets and public grounds and through the private enclosures in said city; to provide for the widening, deepening or straightening of any stream within said city; to prescribe the forms of proceedings and mode of assessing benefits in all cases of taking land for public use, where such forms and mode are not especially prescribed in this act; to prescribe the time when and the manner in which all benefits assessed shall be collected; to make, repair, purify, light and keep open and safe for public use and travel and free from encroachment or obstruction the streets, highways, sidewalks, gutters, public grounds and public places in said city; to compel the owners of lands or buildings to remove snow and ice from the sidewalks and gutters in front of such land or buildings and to keep such sidewalks safe for public travel; to regulate the width of all highways, streets or alleys; to prohibit or regulate all shows, parades, rendezvous, assemblies, processions and music in streets and public places; to prohibit, license or regulate the selling or disposing of wares and merchandise of every description in said streets or public places; to regulate the speed of railroad locomotives and cars in and through said city; to regulate the speed of animals, vehicles and cars in the streets of said city; to regulate or prohibit the running at large of all animals and fowls in said city; to regulate the driving of animals for slaughter through the streets; to provide for the restraining or killing of dogs therein; to license and regulate public hacks, carriages, sleighs, carts, trucks or other public conveyances, and the charges of hackmen, cartmen, truckmen, public drivers and other carriers; to regulate all public conveyances in their use of the streets of said city; to regulate or prohibit the excavation or opening of streets, highways and public grounds for public or private purposes, and the location of any work, structure, sign or thing therein, whether temporary or permanent, upon, over or under the surface thereof, and the removal of build-

ings upon or through the same; to regulate the laying of gas pipes, water pipes and drains for public or private purposes, in the streets of the city; to regulate the planting, removal, protection, care and preservation of trees in the streets and public grounds of said city; to keep the streets and all public places quiet from all undue noise; to regulate or prevent the ringing of bells, the blowing of steam whistles and the crying of goods or other things or the making of any disturbing noise; to provide for the health of said city, and to prevent and summarily abate every kind of nuisance in said city; to regulate or prevent the location construction, use or removal of sinks, cesspools, sties, drains, sewers, privies, barns, filth and rubbish in said city; to compel the removal from any place whatever in said city of all nuisances injurious to health or offensive to the public at the expense of the owners of the premises whereon such nuisance exists, or otherwise; to regulate or prevent the moving of any offensive manure or substance through the streets, the storing of any such manure or substance in said city, and the depositing thereof upon any land in said city; to regulate or prevent the erection or use of any building within said city for the purpose of carrying on therein any kind of trade, manufacture or business which in the judgment of said court of common council, shall be prejudicial to public health, or dangerous, or constitute an unreasonable annoyance or injury to those living or owning property in the vicinity; to inspect meat, fish, vegetables and fruits, exposed for sale in said city and to prevent the sale thereof when in such condition as to endanger the public health; to regulate weights and measures in conformity with the lawful standards thereof within the limits of said city; to regulate the storing or piling of lumber and the vending of charcoal and wood in said city; to prohibit, license or regulate the peddling of merchandise within the streets of said city; to prohibit, license or regulate all sports, exhibitions, public amusements, performances and billiard and bowling saloons within said city; to protect from injury or defacement all public buildings, public property and public structures within said city; to prohibit and prevent the depositing of any filth, garbage or rubbish in the streams of said city; to prohibit and prevent trespasses in gardens, cemeteries and the public and private enclosures in said said; to provide for and regulate the burial of the dead; and to protect, preserve and care for public burial grounds or lots in said city; to provide for the registration and return of the deaths and burials of said city; to regulate the naming of public streets, highways and lanes of said city, and the numbering or renumbering of the buildings and building lots thereon; to prescribe the mode of appointing a coroner, his duties and compensation and the duties and compensation of other persons engaged in proceedings by or before such coroner, including juries of inquest; and said coroner, for the purpose of arresting persons suspected of being the cause of the death of another, and summoning juries of inquest, shall have all the powers of justices of the peace, and his process shall be returnable to

the police court of said city, in which court he shall, in such cases, have all the powers of the city attorney; to provide for the manner of warning all city meetings and meetings of the court of common council, and the times and places of holding the same; to provide for the filling of vacancies which may occur in any office appertaining to said city or the court of common council of said city, not specially provided for by this act; to prescribe the duties of all officers and employees of said city not expressly defined by the provisions of this act; to provide the mode of removal or expulsion of any officer for cause; to prescribe the place of holding meetings in said city and in the wards thereof; to prescribe the amount of the bonds to be given by the city officers and the sureties in such bonds not fixed by this act, and the penalties to be paid by any such officer, or by any juror of the city court in case of refusal to serve; to regulate the election, and prescribe the duties of all such officers as may be appointed by said court of common council under this act, or any city ordinance passed in pursuance thereof; to prescribe and regulate the salaries and compensation of all officers of said city not fixed by this act; and to confer upon such officers all proper authority to enable them to execute and discharge their official powers and duties; to prescribe for holding courts in said city, and the necessary contingent expenses thereof; to prevent disorder at city elections. Said court of common council may impose and inflict penalties and fines, not exceeding one hundred dollars, and forfeiture of goods and chattels, for the violation of any by-law or ordinance enacted in pursuance of the provisions of this act, and prescribe the mode of enforcing such penalties and fines by action of debt or by prosecution, as in cases of misdemeanor and other criminal cases; provided all by-laws shall be published in one or more newspapers in said city, before the same shall be of any validity, except the publication of the proposed amended and revised charter, and any building code or by-laws in relation to the same, which may be enacted by the court of common council of the city of Meriden.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 613.]

[233.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
WATERBURY CONCERNING PUBLIC PARKS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The public parks of the city of Waterbury now in existence and those which may hereafter be established, whether within or without the corporate limits of said city, together with all park property which may be acquired, shall be under the care, management and control of the board under the name and style of the board of park com-

missioners. Said board shall consist of the following persons who shall hold office as hereinafter provided: John P. Elton, to serve for the term of ten years; E. J. Daly, to serve for the term of nine years; I. H. Chase, to serve for the term of eight years; L. S. Reed, to serve for the term of seven years; W. E. Fulton, to serve for the term of six years; R. F. Griggs, to serve for the term of five years; T. F. Carmody, to serve for the term of four years; W. S. Jones, to serve for the term of three years; T. F. Jackson, to serve for the term of two years; and Arthur E. Blewitt, to serve for the term of one year. At the expiration of the term of office of each commissioner his successor shall be appointed by a majority vote of the whole board, to serve for a term of ten years and until his successor has been duly appointed and qualified. All vacancies occurring shall be filled by a majority vote of the board for the unexpired portion of the term. No compensation shall be paid to the members of said commission except to the secretary. Each commissioner shall be entitled to receive his actual disbursements for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of any duty imposed upon him by the direction of said board. The office of any one of said park commissioners who shall not attend meetings of the board for three successive months after having been duly notified of such meetings, without reason satisfactory to said board or without leave of absence from said board, shall be declared vacant and the board shall proceed to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term as herein provided.

Sec. 2. Said board of park commissioners shall, annually, in May, choose one of their number to be president of the board, and another as vice-president; and said board shall elect a secretary, who, in the discretion of the board, may be one of their own number, at a salary not exceeding five hundred dollars per annum; but said salary and all other expenses of the commission, shall be paid out of the annual appropriation. At all meetings, except such as are especially called for the appointment of a commissioner, six shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. At no meeting shall it be proper to proceed to the appointment of a new commissioner unless the mayor of the city be present; and at all meetings called for this purpose the mayor shall preside and certify to the appointment before it be transmitted to the board of aldermen for their consent. Said board of park commissioners shall have full and exclusive power to make rules and by-laws for the orderly transaction of their business. The board shall keep an accurate record and books of account, and shall annually transmit to the mayor a full and detailed report and statement of all its acts and doings, together with a complete and itemized account of all receipts and disbursements. The books of account and records of the board shall at all times be open to the inspection of the mayor, and subject to an annual audit by the proper municipal officer. It shall be the duty of the mayor or other proper municipal authority to assign a suitable and convenient office in the city hall to the use of the board of park commissioners, with

proper vault or safe for the protection of their books and papers. Said board shall have power to appoint or employ such superintendents, engineers, architects and other officers and employees as it may deem necessary, and shall prescribe and define their respective duties, powers and authority, and shall fix and regulate the compensation to be paid to the several persons so employed.

SEC. 3. The board constituted as aforesaid shall have the care, management and control of all parks and grounds used for park purposes, and of all playgrounds and athletic fields located therein, all boulevards connecting parks and structures thereon, and parkways, owned by or in the control of the city of Waterbury, within or without the corporate limits of the city, with all equipment and paraphernalia belonging thereto, and may give proper designating names thereto. The board shall have power to acquire, and the city of Waterbury to hold, property, whether within or without the corporate limits of said city, for the purpose of establishing public parks and public squares, or the enlarging of existing parks, or for boulevards, connecting parks or parkways, by condemnation or by contract for the same; to accept conveyances thereof; to receive gifts, donations or devises of land or other property for park purposes; to lay out and to improve with walks, drives and roads, to build necessary culverts and bridges, to drain, plant and otherwise at their discretion to improve and adorn the parks and other property thus held or acquired by said board; to erect such buildings as may be needed for the purposes of administration, or for the use, protection and refreshment of the public; provided in no case shall any expenditure be made in excess of the amount previously appropriated. Said board shall have power to make and alter from time to time, all needful rules and regulations for the maintenance of order, safety and decency in said parks, both within and without the limits of the city, and to affix penalties for disobedience thereto, which rules and regulations shall have the force of ordinances of the city of Waterbury, provided no such rule or regulation shall be of any effect unless it shall have been first approved by the board of aldermen, and then published in full in one or more of the daily newspapers published in Waterbury, and also printed and posted in conspicuous places within the limits of the property to which such regulation is intended to apply. For the purpose of enforcing such rules and regulations, all such parks and property, whether within or without the limits of said city, are hereby placed under the police jurisdiction of the city of Waterbury; and complaints for the violation of such regulations may be made by the prosecuting attorney to the city court of said city. Any member of the police department may arrest, without warrant, in any of such parks or places, whether within or without the limits of the city of Waterbury, any person who has broken any park rule, or committed any other offense in said park; and the city court of Waterbury shall have jurisdiction of all misdemeanors committed within the limits of said parks.

SEC. 4. Said board of commissioners shall have sole power to determine the places in said parks and parkways, and in other property under their control, where sewers, gas and water pipes shall be laid; and no trench for these purposes shall be opened until the commissioners shall have designated the location of the same and given permission in writing. No telegraph, telephone or electric light wires, or other wires, or posts or supports therefor, shall be erected in, upon, through or over said parks or parkways, without the consent in writing of said board, who shall designate the place and the manner of erecting and maintaining the same, to be altered at such time and in such manner, and under such conditions as said board may deem best.

SEC. 5. All real and personal estate of said city used for park purposes within the limits of any other town shall be exempted from taxation.

SEC. 6. The unexpended portion of all funds and money at present appropriated to the use of the public parks of Waterbury, either by budget appropriation, bond issue or otherwise, shall, upon the appointment of the board of park commissioners, be immediately transferred to the use and jurisdiction of said board of park commissioners.

SEC. 7. For the purpose of providing necessary funds for the care and improvement of park property, and to meet the expenses of the board of park commissioners, the board of aldermen of the city of Waterbury shall, in each year, levy and cause to be collected a tax of not less than five cents upon each one hundred dollars of value of all property within the city taxable for municipal purposes. All moneys collected and arising from the said tax shall be paid by the tax collector, or other officer collecting the same, into the treasury of the city and shall be appropriated and set apart for the maintenance, preservation and improvement of said parks and grounds; and shall be paid out by the city comptroller upon warrants signed by at least three members and approved by at least six members of said board of park commissioners. The board of park commissioners shall submit for approval to the board of finance of the city of Waterbury all claims and accounts arising from the performance of its duties and operations, and all such claims and accounts shall be approved by the signature of the majority of the members of said board of finance before payment is made thereon. The board of park commissioners shall have the use and expenditure of such funds as may arise from the sale of bonds for park purposes which the board of aldermen of the city of Waterbury may duly authorize and cause to be issued.

SEC. 8. The board of park commissioners shall, in the month of October of each year, submit to the board of finance and board of aldermen a budget of proposed expenditures for the ensuing year.

SEC. 9. The unexpended portion of all moneys appropriated to the use of the board of park commissioners shall be held over annually to the same use and may be used at the discretion of said board as a sink-

ing fund for the acquisition of new lands, for improvements, or for any other purpose within the compass of authority of said board.

SEC. 10. Said board of park commissioners shall have power to connect any public park under its control with any other park over which it has jurisdiction, by a boulevard or parkway; and whenever in their judgment it is necessary, they may designate as such, any existing highway, or parts thereof, which shall thereupon be deemed a part of said parkway; but the same shall remain under the control of the city authorities now having jurisdiction thereof.

SEC. 11. The term "park property" includes all parks, squares and areas of land within the management of said board; and all buildings, structures, improvements, seats, benches, fountains, boats, floats, walks, drives, roads, trees, plants, herbage, flowers and other things thereon, and enclosures of the same; and all shade trees on streets or thoroughfares, resting places, watering stations, playgrounds, other than school grounds, owned, leased or operated by the city of Waterbury, parade grounds or the like; and all connecting parkways and roads or drives between parks; and all avenues, roads, ways, drives, walks, with all trees, shrubbery, vines, flowers and ornaments of any description; and all birds, animals or curiosities, or objects of interest or instruction, and all tools and implements placed in or on any of such enclosures, ways, parkways, roads or places; and said included term shall be liberally construed.

SEC. 12. No member of said board of park commissioners shall be concerned in any contract with said board, or any of its departments or institutions, either as contractor, subcontractor, bondsman or party directly or indirectly interested. If any member of the board be the owner of, or interested in, any property necessary, in the opinion of a majority of the other members of the board, to be taken for park purposes, then proceedings shall be by condemnation, and such facts of ownership and interest shall be fully set forth in the petition.

SEC. 13. Said board shall not be compelled to accept any gift or offer of land which, in its judgment, is unsuited to park purposes, or the improvements of which would entail an injudicious outlay.

SEC. 14. Said board shall at its discretion have power to lease any buildings or land not needed for immediate improvement, for a term not to exceed two years, the proceeds to be paid into the city treasury and to be placed at the disposal of said board as an addition to the annual appropriations.

SEC. 15. Real and personal property may be granted, bequeathed, devised or conveyed to the said city, for the purpose of the improvement or ornamentation of said park or approaches, or for the establishment or maintenance therein of museums, zoological or other gardens, collection of natural history, observatories, monuments, statues, fountains or other works of art, upon such trusts and conditions as may be prescribed by the grantors or devisors thereof, and accepted by the

board of aldermen of said city. All property so devised, granted, bequeathed or conveyed, and the rents, issues, profits and income thereof shall be subject to the exclusive management, direction and control of the said board of park commissioners.

SEC. 16. Said board of park commissioners may proceed to condemn such land or other property in the method provided for the condemnation of land by municipal corporations by the general statutes of the state and all sections of the statutes applying to condemnation by municipal corporations shall likewise apply to condemnation by said board of park commissioners.

SEC. 17. So much of the charter of the city of Waterbury as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act is hereby repealed; and the provisions of this act, so far as they apply to the powers of said city and its officers, shall be regarded as an amendment of said city charter.

Approved, May 5, 1921.

[House Bill No. 398.]

[234.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE RIGHTS
GRANTED TO THE MERIDEN, MIDDLETOWN
AND GUILFORD ELECTRIC RAILWAY
COMPANY MAY BE EXERCISED.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights acquired under the provisions of the charter or amendments thereof of the Meriden, Middletown, and Guilford Electric Railway Company, are revived and extended until the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923, and in favor of said company or in the case of sale by said company or the receiver or receivers of the same of the franchises and the charter rights of said company, then in favor of the purchaser or purchasers of such franchises and charter rights or their representatives and assigns.

Approved, May 10, 1921.

[House Bill No. 751.]

[235.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCREASE OF THE CAPITAL STOCK
OF THE HOWARD COMPANY OF NEW HAVEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of a resolution incorporating The E. A. Chatfield Company, approved April 3, 1889, as amended by a resolution changing the

name of The E. A. Chatfield Company to The Howard Company, approved April 1, 1903, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said corporation shall be five hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, which shares shall be deemed personal property and shall be transferable only on the books of said corporation in such manner and at such times as the by-laws of said corporation shall prescribe.

Approved, May 10, 1921.

[House Bill No. 349.]

[236.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE MILFORD HOSPITAL
SOCIETY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Manley J. Cheney, Walter M. Irving, Jervis D. Brown, Jr., Louis J. Pons, Zopher F. Dunning, James T. Patterson, Peter H. MacClean, James P. Herrick, William J. H. Fischer, Willis S. Putney, Omar W. Platt, Henry C. Peck, Robert C. Stoddard, Carlton K. Heady, Alfred C. Carpenter, William A. Rose and Charles F. Beardsley, all of Milford, and all such other persons as shall from time to time become associated with them, and their successors, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Milford Hospital Society, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a hospital in the town of Milford for the medical and surgical treatment of all persons who shall apply therefor, without regard to the nationality, creed or belief of such persons; and by that name shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, and may purchase, take, receive and hold real and personal estate to such an amount as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of said corporation; may sell and convey the same; may have a common seal and alter it at pleasure, and may make and execute such by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to the laws of this state or of the United States, as shall be deemed necessary for the proper management of the affairs of said corporation.

SEC. 2. The members of said corporation shall, at an annual meeting to be held at such time and place as the by-laws of said corporation shall direct, elect from their own number, by ballot and by a majority of the votes given at such election, not less than twelve nor more than eighteen persons as directors of said corporation, one-third of whom shall hold office for the period of one year, one-third for the period of two years, and one-third for the period of three years, and until others are elected in their places. Thereafter at each annual meeting of said corporation there shall be elected by ballot and by a majority of the votes given at such election, one-third of the whole number of directors,

to hold office for the period of three years or until their successors are elected. In case of any vacancy in the board the remainder of the directors shall have the power to fill such vacancy until the next election. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The board of directors shall annually, at such time as the by-laws shall direct, elect by ballot from their number a president and vice-president, and shall also elect a secretary and treasurer who may be one and the same person, and such executive and administrative committees or officials as the by-laws may require, who shall hold their offices for one year and until others are elected in their stead.

SEC. 4. Said board of directors shall have power to manage and conduct all the business and affairs of the corporation and may provide terms of admission to membership, make such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary from time to time for the management of the corporation and its property and may appoint such officers and servants as it may deem necessary. The medical officers, including all attending and consulting physicians and surgeons, shall be appointed annually at the meeting of the directors held next after the annual meeting of the corporation, provided any such appointment may be revoked at a meeting of said directors duly called and held for that purpose by a two-thirds vote of the directors present at said meeting. Vacancies occurring before the expiration of the year from the time of any appointment may be filled by the directors.

SEC. 5. All property which may be acquired by said corporation and invested or held for its uses with the income therefrom shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 6. The first meeting of the corporation may be called by any three members thereof at such time and place as they shall appoint in said town of Milford, by mailing to each member a notice of such meeting and the time and place of holding the same, at least five days prior to the holding thereof.

Approved, May 10, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 331.]

[237.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF
BRANFORD TO IMPROVE HIGHWAYS AND TO
ISSUE BONDS THEREFOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Branford is hereby authorized to issue bonds to the amount of one hundred sixty thousand dollars par value, which shall be known as "Public Road Improvement Bonds of the Town of Branford, Series of 1921." The proceeds of such bonds shall

be used to pay, as herein provided, for the improvements authorized by an act entitled, "An Act authorizing the Town of Branford to improve Highways," approved May 7, 1917. Such bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars each, bearing interest coupons attached and shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum payable semi-annually. They shall be numbered consecutively beginning with number one and the principal of such bonds shall be payable as follows: The first eight bonds, five years from the date of issue, and biennially thereafter eight bonds shall be payable in their numerical order. Such bonds shall contain a provision that said town may call the the whole issue or any part thereof at one hundred and five per centum of their par value or any interest date after two years from the date of issue, and if such bonds shall be called, they shall be called by lot. Both interest and principal shall be payable in the United States gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, and shall be non-taxable by the state or any political subdivision thereof. The treasurer shall advertise and sell such bonds at public sale and to the highest bidder. All such bonds shall be executed by the treasurer of the town of Branford, and when so executed and delivered shall be obligatory upon said town and upon all the inhabitants and property thereof and shall in terms pledge the faith of the town of Branford for their credit.

SEC. 2. The proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be first used by the treasurer of the town of Branford to pay existing obligations given for money borrowed for the construction of highways under said act approved May 7, 1917, and not to exceed eleven of such bonds shall be used for the purpose of exchange for other outstanding bonds as provided for in section three of this act, and the balance of such proceeds shall be used to meet the costs of the highways and improvements constructed and to be constructed under the provisions of said act approved May 7, 1917.

SEC. 3. Owners of bonds denominated "Public Road Improvement Bonds of the Town of Branford," authorized and issued pursuant to the original authority granted by section three of said act approved May 7, 1917, aggregating the amount of eleven thousand dollars may exchange said bonds for bonds of no greater par or face value of this issue, and the treasurer of the town of Branford is authorized and directed to exchange bonds of the issue therein authorized for not less than an equal amount in face or par value of such public road improvement bonds of the town of Branford so issued and outstanding.

SEC. 4. Upon the surrender and exchange by the owners thereof of the outstanding public road improvement bonds of the town of Branford issued under said act approved May 7, 1917, said original bonds shall be cancelled and destroyed by the treasurer of the town of Branford. Likewise all such public road improvement bonds of the town of Branford held under pledge, and which shall be surrendered upon the payment of the obligations given for money borrowed for the construc-

tion of highways hereinbefore referred to in section two shall be cancelled and destroyed with all the remaining bonds of said total issue of one hundred sixty thousand dollars of public road improvement bonds of the town of Branford originally authorized by said section three of said act approved May 7, 1917.

SEC. 5. No bonds shall be issued under the provisions of this act so as to permit the net bonded indebtedness of said town at any time to exceed five per centum of the grand list of said town as the same may be compiled for the year preceding such issue, provided, in computing the debt limitation, bonds issued for the supply of water or for the construction of municipal water works or lighting plants shall not be included.

SEC. 6. So much of section three of said act authorizing the town of Branford to improve highways, approved May 7, 1917, as is inconsistent herewith is repealed.

Approved, May 10, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 12]

[238.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE BOROUGH
OF TORRINGTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section two of an act amending the charter of the borough of Torrington, approved May 11, 1899, as amended by an act approved April 8, 1915, is amended to read as follows: Whenever land or property of any person is taken or affected by the designation of a building line, or the layout, opening, alteration, extension, enlargement or change of grade of any highway, street or public walk, the warden and burgesses, or a committee of their number, shall appraise and assess the damages or benefits, as the case may be, resulting or accruing to any person or persons from the taking of such land or property for the public use as aforesaid, or from the layout, opening, alteration, extension, enlargement or change of grade of such highway, street or public walk or the designation of said building line. Before making said appraisal or assessment said warden and burgesses, or said committee, shall give at least ten days' notice to all parties interested, signed by the warden or clerk of the borough, stating therein the time and place when and where such person whose land or property is taken or affected by such improvement may appear and be heard on such appraisal or assessment. Such notice may be published in a newspaper in said borough or given in the manner prescribed by the general statutes, and when so published or given shall be legal and sufficient notice to all parties interested in the property so taken or affected. The damages

appraised less benefits shall thereupon become due and payable and the warden and burgesses shall order the same paid to the persons respectively entitled thereto out of the borough treasury. When such damages less benefits heretofore or hereafter assessed or appraised have, or shall have been paid to the persons to whom they respectively belong, or have, or shall have been deposited with the borough treasurer to be paid such persons respectively when they shall apply for them, said highway, street, public walk or building line shall be and remain for the use and purpose for which it was laid out, altered, extended, enlarged or designated. Any person aggrieved by an assessment of benefits or appraisal of damages by said warden and burgesses may appeal therefrom in the manner prescribed by the general statutes. Within ten days after such appraisal and assessment is made the clerk of the borough shall give notice by mail, postage paid, directed to each person for or against whom benefits or damages have been appraised or assessed of the amount of such benefits or damages. The benefits assessed shall be due when the work for which they were laid shall be completed and may be collected by the borough in a civil action.

SEC. 2. All benefits assessed upon any property in the borough of Torrington by reason of any public work or improvement shall be paid by the owner or owners of said property, or persons interested therein, and shall be a lien on said property, which lien, and liens for the expense of laying any sidewalk or curb by said borough, shall take priority over all other liens and incumbrances thereon, except taxes and other borough liens prior in date, and shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from the date of the completion of such work or improvement, and may be foreclosed in the same manner as though said liens were mortgages on such property in favor of said borough to secure the amount of such assessment or expense, provided no such lien shall continue to exist for longer than sixty days after said assessment shall be made unless within that period a certificate of lien, signed by the warden or clerk of the borough, describing the premises and the amount claimed as a lien, shall have been lodged for record with the town clerk of the town of Torrington. The property on which a lien is placed by said borough shall be liable for the assessment and interest thereon, and also for the town clerk's fee, and a fee of one dollar for the drafting of a lien certificate.

SEC. 3. The warden and burgesses of the borough of Torrington shall have power to appoint an inspector of food stuffs offered for sale within the limits of the borough and by ordinances to determine his powers and duties and fix his compensation, and to make, alter and repeal ordinances not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state or the United States for the following purposes: The inspection of food stuffs offered for sale within the limits of the borough, the regulation of the sale of same so far as the health and sanitary interests of the community are involved, the regulation of the sale of milk by

licensing for a reasonable fee the vendors thereof, and prohibiting the sale thereof without a license, and the destruction of foodstuffs, including milk, when they are detrimental to the public health. A penalty of more than one hundred dollars shall in no case be imposed for a single violation of any of such ordinances.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 111.]

[239.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CITY
COURT OF NORWALK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section twenty-five of an act amending an act establishing the city court of Norwalk, approved April 15, 1915, is amended to read as follows: Whenever the plaintiff or defendant shall enter upon the jury docket any civil case of which said court shall have jurisdiction, said court shall cause a panel of jurors of eighteen to be summoned in the manner in which jurors are summoned in courts of common pleas and such jurors shall be paid at the rate of two dollars per diem for their attendance in court upon trial of such civil case; and whenever a trial by jury shall be had in said court no appeal shall be allowed to said court of common pleas, but either party to such cause may appeal the same to the supreme court of errors from the city court. All writs of error from said city court and all petitions for a new trial for causes determined before said court shall be brought to the court of common pleas for said county.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 10.]

[240.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT INCORPORATING THE MYSTIC
FIRE DISTRICT IN THE TOWNS OF GROTON AND
STONINGTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section sixteen of an act incorporating the Mystic Fire District in the towns of Groton and Stonington, approved March 25, 1879, is amended to read as follows: Said district shall have full power under the restriction herein contained to adopt a building code and to make, alter and repeal such by-laws as they may see fit in relation to the following subjects within the limits of said fire district: The assessment

and collection of taxes in such proportion as they may deem best; the mode of keeping and auditing the accounts of said district; the punishment of illegal voting at or the disturbance of the meetings of said district; compelling the removal, demolition or repair of any building or structure within the limits of said district, which building or structure has, by reason of fire, accident or other cause, become unsafe or liable to fall or cause injury to life or limb; the amount of bonds to be given by those officers of whom bond is required; compensation of those who serve the said district; relative to the number of the fire companies, hook and ladder companies and hose companies, the numerical strength of such companies, the officers thereof, and their duties relative to the government of such companies, and the care of the property intrusted to them; provided no by-law shall be repugnant to the laws of this state or of the United States, and that all by-laws imposing penalties or for the breach of which a penalty may be inflicted, shall be published in some newspaper having circulation in said district at least two times, the first publication to be made not less than two weeks before such by-law shall take effect, and no by-law relating to taxation shall be changed except at an annual meeting of said district; and provided no penalty shall exceed a fine or forfeiture of seven dollars for any one offense, and such penalty may be enforced by a prosecution on complaint by some proper officer provided by such by-laws before the proper tribunal having jurisdiction thereof.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 744.]

[241.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE MORRIS COVE FIRE
DEPARTMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. R. Durham, C. S. Wilcox and C. B. Walker, all of the city of New Haven, and such other persons residing in said city as shall associate with them by voluntary enlistment, are hereby incorporated under the name of The Morris Cove Fire Department, which department shall be located in said city.

SEC. 2. The object of said department shall be to render fire service, and it shall have jurisdiction and authority over all fire service within the limits of the fifteenth ward of said city of New Haven south of a line drawn east and west through the junction of the south line of the trolley cut near Fort Hale park and Townsend avenue, extending eastward to the boundary line between the city of New Haven and the town of East Haven, and westward to New Haven bay, excepting such portion of Fort Hale park as lies within the limits described, but such jurisdiction

and authority shall not interfere with any action of the fire department of the city of New Haven.

SEC. 3. Said department may own and convey real and personal estate not exceeding in value at any one time the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars; may appoint such officers as it may deem expedient; may make by-laws for properly regulating its affairs not inconsistent with the laws of this state, which by-laws may provide for the imposition of penalties not exceeding five dollars for any violation thereof; impose taxes upon its members and may fill any vacancy in its membership by a voluntary enlistment. Said department and its members shall be entitled to all the privileges and immunities which are by law granted to fire companies in this state.

SEC. 4. Said department may consist of engine, hook and ladder and fire police companies. The membership shall not exceed two hundred at any time.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 443.]

[242.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY
OF BRIDGEPORT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section nineteen of an act revising the charter of the city of Bridgeport, approved August 1, 1907, as amended by an act revising the charter of the city of Bridgeport, approved April 9, 1915, and by an act amending the charter of the city of Bridgeport, approved May 10, 1917, is amended to read as follows: The board constituted as aforesaid shall have the care, management and control of all parks and grounds used for park purposes, all boulevards connecting parks, and structures thereon, and all parkways now or hereafter owned by or in control of the city, and may give proper designating names thereto. The board shall have power to acquire, and the city of Bridgeport to hold property, whether within or without the corporate limits of said city, for the purpose of establishing public parks and squares or the enlarging of existing parks, or for boulevards connecting parks or parkways by condemnation or by contract for the same; to accept conveyances thereof; to receive gifts, donations or devises of land or other property for park purposes; to lay out and improve with walks, drives and roads; to build necessary culverts and bridges; to drain, plant and otherwise at their discretion to improve and adorn the parks and other property thus held or acquired by said board; to erect such buildings as may be needed for the purpose of administration, or for the use, protection and refreshment of the public; provided in no case shall any

expenditures be made in excess of the amount previously appropriated. Said board shall have power to make and alter, from time to time, all needful rules and regulations for the maintenance of order, safety and decency in said parks, both within and without the limits of the city, and affix penalties for disobedience thereof, which rules and regulations shall have the force of ordinances of the city of Bridgeport; provided no such rule or regulation shall be of any effect unless it shall have been first approved by the board of aldermen, and then published in full in one or more of the daily newspapers published in Bridgeport, and printed copies thereof posted in conspicuous places, within the limits of the property to which such rule or regulation is intended to apply. For the purpose of enforcing such rules and regulations all such parks and property, whether within or without the limits of said city, are hereby placed under the police jurisdiction of the city of Bridgeport; and complaints for violations of such regulations may be made by the prosecuting attorney to the city court of said city. Any member of the police department may arrest without warrant, in any such parks or places whether within or without the limits of the city of Bridgeport, any person who has broken any park rule or committed an offense in said park; and the city court of Bridgeport shall have jurisdiction of all misdemeanors committed within the limits of said parks. When said board of park commissioners shall desire to exercise the power conferred upon it to acquire property either within or without the corporate limits of said city for the purpose of establishing public parks and squares, or enlarging existing parks or for boulevards connecting parks or parkways, the city engineer shall, at the request of said board, prepare a descriptive survey of the property proposed to be acquired, and said board shall ascertain the price of such property from the owners thereof. If said board shall be unable to agree with the parties as to the price to be paid for such land, said board may, on behalf of said city, bring an application to the superior court for the appointment of appraisers and ascertainment of the compensation to be paid for such land, and the superior court shall proceed upon such application in the same manner as provided in section one hundred and forty-two of said charter for the ascertainment of compensation to be paid for property desired to be taken by the common council of said city. Such land shall not be used or enclosed by said city until such amount shall be paid to the person to whom it is due or shall be deposited for his use with the treasurer of said city. Upon such payment or deposit, such land shall become the property of said city. The city shall pay the committee making such assessment a reasonable compensation to be taxed by said court or judge. Said board shall have the supervision, management and direction of the planting, regulation and care of all shade and ornamental trees in the public highways of the city, and shall have the power to enact such rules and regulations as they may require to carry out this work, provided no such enactment shall in

any way conflict with any ordinances or resolves of the common council, governing the use and care of the highways of the city. The president of the board of park commissioners shall act as tree warden of the city and perform all the duties required of said tree warden under the general laws of the state.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 446.]

[243.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ELECTION OF REGISTRARS OF
VOTERS IN THE TOWN OF ORANGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. At the regular town meeting of the electors of the town of Orange to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921, and biennially thereafter, two general registrars of voters having jurisdiction over the whole of said town shall be elected by ballot in the manner provided by law for the election of said officers. Said general registrars shall hold office for a term of two years from and after the first day of January next succeeding their election, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The person having the highest number of votes cast for general registrar and the person having the next highest number of votes cast, and who does not belong to the same political party as the person having the highest number of votes as aforesaid, shall be declared elected. Each of said general registrars shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties and each shall have all of the powers and shall perform all of the duties required by law of registrars in towns divided into voting districts or wards.

SEC. 2. Each of said general registrars shall have power to appoint one deputy registrar in each of the voting districts in said town, and when any such appointment is made the general registrar making the same shall, within one week, file a certificate of such appointment in the office of the town clerk, which certificate of appointment shall be recorded by said clerk in the records of the town meetings. Said deputies so appointed shall serve during the pleasure of the general registrar making the appointment. Each of said deputy registrars shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties and while so serving shall have all of the powers, within his district, and perform all of the duties required by law of deputy registrars or assistant deputy registrars.

SEC. 3. In case of the death, resignation, removal from the town of Orange or inability to act of either of said general registrars, the board of selectmen of said town shall have power to fill the vacancy so occurring, for the balance of the unexpired term. In case of a vacancy in the office of any deputy registrar provided for by this act, the gen-

eral registrar having the original power of appointment may fill said vacancy.

SEC. 4. So much of any act, general or special, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act, is hereby repealed so far as the town of Orange is concerned.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 627.]

[244.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
WATERBURY CONCERNING THE CITY
COURT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section eighteen of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved March 26, 1895, as amended by acts approved June 5, 1907, July 20, 1911, April 17, 1913, April 16, 1915, April 13, 1917, and April 2, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The judges of the city court of Waterbury shall each receive a salary of three thousand dollars per annum, the clerk of said court shall receive a salary of twenty-four hundred dollars per annum, the prosecuting attorneys shall each receive a salary of twenty-four hundred dollars per annum, the probation officer shall receive a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and the woman probation officer shall receive a salary of twelve hundred dollars per annum. Said salaries shall be paid by the city of Waterbury, and shall be in lieu of any compensation to be received by said officers for services performed by them in their respective capacities in civil and criminal business, except as provided by section sixteen of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved March 26, 1895. The clerk shall collect two dollars for each copy made by him for any court, which costs shall belong to the city. The city court of Waterbury may tax for necessary clerical expenses and assistance a sum not exceeding the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per annum.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 356.]

[245.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TRUSTEES OF
DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS FOR CHURCH
PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of a resolution incorporating The Trustees of Donations and Bequests for Church Purposes, approved July 10, 1863, is amended to read as follows: The object of this resolution is to enable said trustees to take, hold, manage and use such funds as they may acquire under the provisions of this resolution, for the support of the institutions, parishes and missionary work of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Connecticut, and for the promotion of any of its general interests, according to the doctrines, discipline, rites and usages of said church; and to this end said trustees are hereby empowered to take and hold any and all transfers, gifts, devises and bequests of real and personal estate which may be made to them in trust, condition or otherwise, and to execute and perform any and all conditions, uses and trusts which may be imposed thereon, or connected therewith, and to manage, invest, re-invest, and, with the consent of the convention of the diocese, sell, demise, convey or otherwise dispose of, said estate and to appropriate and apply the net income thereof to any and all of the purposes and objects above declared; subject in each case to the specific trusts, directions, limitations or conditions contained in such transfer, gift, devise or bequest; and provided said corporation shall in no case hold property of a greater annual net revenue than forty thousand dollars. Said corporation may employ such assistance and incur such other expenses in the management of the funds and property committed to its care and pay for the same out of the income thereof, as it may find necessary and desirable; provided nothing in the terms of the instruments, under which said funds and property are held, prevent.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 601.]

[246.]

AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE BOROUGH AND TOWN
OF RIDGEFIELD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. After the passage of this act the existence of the borough of Ridgefield shall cease, and all political and legal rights of said borough, and all property, property rights and choses in action of any kind belonging to said borough, shall pass to and be vested in the town of

Ridgefield. All debts and obligations of said borough existing at the time this act shall take effect shall be assumed by said town, but such debts and obligations shall be a charge upon the inhabitants and property within the Village district of said town as hereinafter described, and upon such inhabitants and property only.

SEC. 2. This act shall not affect any suit pending at the time this act takes effect, nor any cause of action existing on said date, nor shall it release or effect any taxes heretofore laid by said borough of Ridgefield, nor any assessment list heretofore made by said borough, nor any fines, forfeitures or penalties heretofore incurred and due to said borough, nor any liens recorded in favor of said borough, but said taxes, fines, forfeitures and penalties and all taxes laid on said assessment lists may be collected and enforced by the selectmen of the town of Ridgefield, or such person as they shall designate for that purpose, and when so collected shall be applied, by said board of selectmen, to the payment of any outstanding indebtedness of said borough to defray the current expense of the Village district as hereinafter described. Said liens shall be foreclosed or collected by the tax collector of said town in the name of the town of Ridgefield.

SEC. 3. The terms of office of all officers of said borough of Ridgefield shall end on the date of the termination of said borough, and all officers of said borough shall, within one week from the termination of said borough, turn over to the selectmen of the town of Ridgefield all property, books, papers, documents and records of every kind whatsoever belonging to said borough, and they shall execute all papers necessary to a complete transfer thereof.

SEC. 4. So much of the territory of the town of Ridgefield as constitutes the borough of Ridgefield shall, from the time this act takes effect, constitute the Village district of the town of Ridgefield, and shall include in said Village district all of the inhabitants and property within the area described as follows: Commencing at the southeasterly corner of the cemetery lot owned by P. C. and George E. Lounsbury just north of the residence of Jacob L. Dauchy, now or formerly, thence running southeasterly in a direct line to the junction of the southerly side of the Danbury road, so called, with the westerly side of the highway known as Grove street, thence bearing southerly along the westerly side of said Grove street to its junction with the center line of the Ridgefield branch of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company, thence easterly and southeasterly on the center line of said railroad to a point upon the continuation of the dividing line between lands now or formerly owned by Morris B. Whitlock and Mrs. Lewis H. Bailey, thence bearing southerly upon said line of said property division to the northerly side of Prospect street, so called, thence westerly along the said northerly side of said Prospect street to a point upon line of the westerly side of the highway known as East Ridge avenue, thence bearing southerly along the said westerly side of said East Ridge avenue to its junction with

the northerly side of the highway running easterly to the Florida district, thence bearing westerly along the said northerly side of said Florida district road to its junction with the westerly line of the Branchville road near the residence of C. B. Northrop and Mrs. E. W. Lockwood, now or formerly, thence bearing southerly along the westerly side of said Branchville road to its junction with the northerly side of the road running westerly towards the residence of James Penders, now or formerly, thence westerly along the said northerly side of said Penders' road, to the junction of said northerly side of said Penders' road with the line of the westerly side of the road running south past the house of Henry Benedict, from the last-mentioned point, thence in a direct line in a southwesterly direction to the junction of the northeasterly side of the highway just east of the residence of Mrs. William E. Benedict, now or formerly, with the line of the northwesterly side of the highway leading to Flat Rock street, thence following the said northwesterly side of said road south of the former creamery property and leading to Flat Rock street to its junction with the easterly or southeasterly side of Flat Rock street, thence in a direct line to the junction of the northwesterly side of West Lane road with the easterly side of High Ridge avenue between the residences of Dr. A. L. Northrop and George Haight, now or formerly, thence northwesterly along the southeasterly boundary of land, now or formerly, owned by Mrs. John A. King and thence northerly on the westerly line of lands of Mrs. John A. King, A. Newbold Morris, William A. Jenner, Rufus H. King, Mrs. Anna R. Morris, Mrs. Julia A. Dutton, Helen M. Post and other land of Julia A. Dutton, now or formerly, and on the same straight line to the northerly side of the highway known as Peaceable street, thence westerly following the said northerly side of Peaceable street for a distance of about one thousand and seventy-five feet; thence in a direct line to a point on the northerly side of Barry avenue at the division line between lands owned by Fred E. Ballard, Jr., and George I. Abbott, said last-mentioned line passing through a point located eighty-six and fifty-four one-hundredths feet northwesterly from the southwest corner, and eighty-six and thirty-five one-hundredths feet southwest from the northwesterly corner of the main house owned by George Doubleday, from said point on the northerly side of said Barry avenue northeasterly in a straight line to a point on the northeasterly side of Ramapo road at the center of the brook just east of the house of John D. Beers, thence in a direct or straight line to the point or place of beginning. All inhabitants and property within said district shall be liable to taxation to defray the expenses and liabilities of all kinds against said borough of Ridgefield at the time this act takes effect, including the expense which may be thereafter incurred of installing, enlarging, maintaining and caring for any system of sewers established, or which may be established hereafter, in said district as hereinafter provided, expense of the police and fire departments within said district, the lighting of streets and public places

therein, the establishment, maintenance and repair of curbs, cross-walks and gutters in said district, and any other expenses which may be necessary and for the special benefit of said district.

Sec. 5. Upon the written petition of a majority of the legal voters residing without said Village district, but within any part of said town contiguous thereto, praying to be annexed as a part of said district and describing the limits to be annexed, the selectmen may call a meeting of the electors of said Village district to determine whether or not the territory described within such petition shall be annexed to said Village district, and shall give notice of the time and place of such meeting and the object for which the same is to be held by publication in a newspaper published or having a circulation in said town at least five days prior to such meeting. In the event the electors at such meeting determine to annex such territory, the selectmen shall cause a record of the action of such meeting, including a description of such territory, to be included in the land records of said town.

Sec. 6. There shall be a board of finance in the town of Ridgefield composed of six electors of said town to be appointed by the selectmen thereof within one week after the termination of existence of said borough. No person shall be eligible to membership on said board unless he shall be an elector of said Ridgefield, and no member of said board shall hold any other office in said town government. Both districts shall be represented in the membership of said board, provided at least three of the members of said board shall be residents of the Village district in said town of Ridgefield, and they shall be chosen from the two political parties which shall have polled the greatest number of votes for governor at the last preceding state election. The necessary expense of said board shall be paid by said town, but no member thereof shall receive any compensation for his services. Before entering upon the performance of their duties, the members of the board of finance shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. Two of said members shall be appointed to serve until the first Monday of October, 1921, two to serve until the first Monday of October, 1922, and two to serve until the first Monday of October, 1923, and thereafter, annually, within ten days from the date of the election of the selectmen of said town, they shall appoint two members of said board of finance, each to hold office for a period of three years from the election of the selectmen making such appointment. The first selectman of said town shall be, *ex officio*, a member of said board, and he shall preside at all meetings at which he is present, but he shall vote only in case of a tie. The selectmen shall appoint a clerk of said board whose salary shall be twenty-five dollars per annum. He shall keep a record of all votes passed by said board, and the minutes of the meetings of said board, and he shall be custodian of all books, papers and documents belonging to said board and shall perform such other duties in connection with the work of the board of finance as said board may direct.

SEC. 7. Four members of said board shall constitute a quorum. At any regular or special meeting of said board, if no quorum shall be present, the first selectman may issue a warrant signed by him and directed to the sheriff of the county of Fairfield, his deputy or any constable of the town of Ridgefield, to arrest and to bring into such meeting a sufficient number of the members of said board to constitute a quorum. The selectmen shall fill by appointment, for the unexpired term, any vacancy that may occur in said board.

SEC. 8. The board of finance shall meet annually on the first Tuesday of September, and at such meeting the town school committee and board of selectmen shall exhibit and leave on file with said board a tentative account showing the expenditures made by them respectively during the last fiscal year, giving accounts in as great detail as is practicable, or as may be required by the board of finance. The board of selectmen shall state estimates of the requirements for the current year, separately stating the estimate of the financial requirements of the Village district for enlarging and maintaining a system of sewers, the expense of night watchmen, police and fire departments, the lighting of streets and public places, water hydrants, establishment of building lines, the maintenance, care and repair of curbs, cross-walks and gutters in said district, and any other expense which may be necessary and for the special benefit of said Village district. In like manner the school board of said town shall submit an estimate of its expenditures needed for the maintenance of schools throughout said town for the current year, and it shall itemize such estimates in such manner as said board of finance may require. All estimates so made shall be published in a newspaper published or having a substantial circulation in said town at least five days before the submission of the same to the board of finance. Said board of finance may adjourn from time to time, but its last meeting in any year shall be held on or before the fifteenth day of September.

SEC. 9. The meetings of said board of finance shall be open to the public and said board shall hear taxpayers relative to any estimated appropriation or rate of taxation to be imposed upon any property in said town. At said annual meeting or at any adjourned meeting said board shall make appropriations for the expense of said town for the current year beginning the first day of September, and for the payment of any part of the debt of said town, and separately for Village district appropriations necessary to defray the expense of construction and maintenance of sewers, police and fire departments, public lighting and water hydrants, for the construction and repair of curbs, cross-walks and gutters and for any other expense which may be necessary for the special benefit of said Village district. Said appropriations shall be classified under proper heads, and said board shall lay such tax upon the grand list of said town as it shall find to be necessary to meet the expense of the town of Ridgefield, and in like manner it shall lay a tax upon the grand list of the Village taxing district in addition to the tax laid

upon all the property of said town for the expense to be incurred with respect to sewers, police, night watchmen, fire departments, water hydrants, public lighting, curbs, cross-walks and gutters and any other necessary expense to be incurred for the special benefit of said Village district and the inhabitants thereof. Said board shall fix the time when such tax shall become due and payable. Such appropriations fixed by said board shall be filed in the town clerk's office in the town of Ridgefield on or before the last Monday of September next ensuing, and shall be published once in a newspaper published or having a circulation in said town on or before the last Monday of September. Such appropriations fixed by said board shall be submitted by the board of selectmen at the annual town meeting of said town next to be held. Said annual town meeting or any adjourned meeting thereof may decrease the appropriations so made or any item thereof or the rate of taxation fixed by the board of finance, but in no case shall it increase the appropriations or any item thereof or the rate of taxation. The rate of taxation so reported by said board shall be final and the appropriations recommended shall be the appropriations for the town of Ridgefield for the current year beginning September first as aforesaid unless such rate of taxation or such appropriations be decreased at said annual meeting, in which case the action of said town meeting shall be final. The total amount of appropriations for any year shall not exceed the estimated income for that year, nor shall any board of selectmen or town school committee of said town, nor the town in any special meeting, vote to incur any liability or expense, by contract or otherwise, for which said town shall be responsible, in excess of the appropriations estimated by said board.

Sec. 10. If a special appropriation is required for any purpose, an estimate of the same shall be prepared and submitted to said board of finance at a special meeting called for that purpose, and said board, at said meeting or any adjournment thereof, shall have power to make any such appropriation and to lay a special tax to meet the same; but no such appropriation shall be made unless a special tax is laid sufficient to cover the amount thereof when such appropriation is in excess of the unappropriated revenue of said town. Said appropriations and the rate of taxation so recommended shall be submitted by the board of selectmen to a special town meeting called for that purpose, and said special town meeting shall have power to decrease the appropriations, or any item thereof, or the rate of taxation recommended by said board of finance, or said special town meeting may vote not to make such appropriations or levy such special tax, but in no case shall any special town meeting have power to increase any special appropriation or any rate of taxation recommended by said board of finance, or to so decrease the rate of taxation as to create a deficiency.

Sec. 11. Said board shall have power to make transfers of unexpended balances from one appropriation to another, but no amount

appropriated for any one purpose, whether general or special, shall be used or appropriated for any other unless the same be recommended by said board.

SEC. 12. Any twenty resident taxpayers residing in the Village district may petition the selectmen of said Ridgefield for a meeting of the inhabitants of said Village district to take action in respect to the appropriations for said Village district and the rate of tax laid therefor by the board of finance. Upon receipt of such petition the board of selectmen shall issue a call for a Village district meeting, notice of which shall be given to the electors of said Village district, designating a time when and place where such meeting shall be held to take action with respect to the matters referred to in such petition. Any meeting so warned and held may adjourn from time to time to a date not later than the last adjourned meeting of the town of Ridgefield, and the rate of taxation so reported by the board of finance for the Village district shall be final and the appropriations recommended shall be the appropriations for the Village district for the current year unless such rate of taxation or such appropriations shall be decreased by the electors at such meeting, in which case the action of the electors' meeting of said district shall be final, but the total amount of appropriations for any year shall not exceed the estimated income for that year.

SEC. 13. Any borough sinking fund existing at the time that this act shall take effect shall be transferred and held by the treasurer of the town who shall hold and manage the same for the purpose of redeeming any outstanding bonds issued under the authority of any provisions of the charter of the borough of Ridgefield or any acts amendatory thereof or authorizing the issue of any such bonds.

SEC. 14. The selectmen are authorized to make, amend, repeal and enforce by-laws for said town and for said Village district as they may determine not inconsistent with the provisions of this act or the laws of this state or of the United States, for the following purposes: To protect said town and said district from fire or danger of fire; to license, regulate or prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale or use of fireworks, torpedoes, firecrackers, gun powder, petroleum, dynamite, gasoline, naphtha or other explosive or inflammable substance or gas, and the conveyance thereof through any part of said Village district; to regulate the discharge of firearms in said district; to provide for the laying of the streets, and the erection of posts or poles for the suspension or carrying of wires for lighting, or power for other purposes, and to protect the equipment therefor from injury; to provide for the laying or stringing of telephone and telegraph wires and posts, poles or conduits for the carrying of the same on or through; to regulate parades and processions, public assemblages, shows and music in the streets; to regulate driving of animals and vehicles other than motor vehicles in the streets; to prescribe the width, grade and character or kind of sidewalks to be made and laid and to cause the

making and laying of the same; to cause the owners of land and buildings to remove snow and ice from the sidewalks upon which such lands or buildings may abut and to keep such sidewalks safe for public travel and free from obstruction; to regulate and prohibit depositing any building material on any sidewalk; to regulate or prohibit the running of animals at large; to license and regulate public hacks and carriages, and the charges of hackmen, carmen and truckmen; to regulate the planting and removal, and to provide for the production and preservation of trees, vines and shrubbery in the public streets and upon any public grounds; to keep the streets and public places free from undue noise; to regulate the sale of newspapers upon the streets on the Sabbath and at any unreasonable hour; to provide for the health of the inhabitants of said town and Village district, and to prevent and summarily abate any nuisance; to regulate the location, construction and use of cesspools, drains, sewers and outhouses and to regulate and prevent the location and construction of pig-pens, and places for the deposit of filth and rubbish; to compel the removal from any place in said town of any nuisance injurious to health or offensive or annoying to the public, which removal shall be made at the expense of the owner of the premises where such nuisance exists or by the person causing or maintaining such nuisance; to regulate and provide for the removal of any offensive substance through the streets; to regulate the carrying on of any kind of trade or manufacture or business prejudicial to the health of the inhabitants or constituting an unreasonable annoyance to those living or owning property in the vicinity; to regulate and prohibit the sale of meat, vegetables, fish, produce, fruits or food of any kind when the same is in such condition as to endanger public health; to name or to provide for the naming of streets and numbering of houses and buildings upon the streets; to license and regulate sports, exhibitions, amusements, performances and billiard, pool and bowling places; to prohibit the depositing of any filth, garbage or rubbish in any public street or place; to prohibit trespassing in any garden, cemetery or public or private enclosure, to preserve and care for the burying grounds and places and to prevent the desecration thereof or of any stone, monument or fence therein or connecting therewith and to regulate the burial of the dead; to prevent cruelty to animals and inhumane sports and to provide a public seal. Said selectmen may prescribe penalties for the violation of any by-law, provided such penalties shall be fines not exceeding fifty dollars or by imprisonment in a jail not exceeding thirty days or both and the violation of any such by-law may be prosecuted by a grand juror of said town before any justice of the peace of said town or if there be no justice of the peace in said town qualified then by a justice of the peace in an adjoining town and any such justice of the peace shall have authority to impose any penalty provided in any such by-law to the full extent of such penalty.

SEC. 15. No such by-law shall take effect until the same has been published at least twice in a newspaper published or having a circulation in the town of Ridgefield, if any there be, otherwise in a newspaper published in Fairfield county and having a circulation in said town. If there be no newspaper published or circulated in said town at the time of adoption of any such by-law, then in addition to the publication of such by-law in a newspaper published in said county, a copy of such by-law shall be posted upon the public sign-post of said town for at least five days before such by-law shall take effect and no by-law shall take effect until fifteen days after its passage. The town clerk of said town shall cause publication or posting of any by-law as hereinbefore provided and shall record such by-law with a certificate of such publication or posting, as the case may be, in the records of the town.

SEC. 16. The selectmen are authorized to provide for said Village district a police force with such officers and members as they shall find necessary, and to prescribe the duties of the officers and members of such force and their compensation, which shall be subject to the approval of the board of finance, which force shall have, within said district, the same authority to make arrests and serve criminal process as constables have in towns.

SEC. 17. The selectmen shall provide such fire apparatus as may be found necessary for the protection of said town, and maintain buildings necessary for the use of the fire companies and shall make rules and regulations for the safe-keeping and preservation of the property, real and personal, used by such companies, and such selectmen shall locate and maintain wells, cisterns or hydrants for use in case of fire.

SEC. 18. The selectmen shall provide, by contract or otherwise, for lighting and for water in said Village district as they may find necessary. Any contract in force at the time this act shall take effect providing for lights or lighting for the borough of Ridgefield, and any contract in force at the time this act shall take effect providing for water for the borough of Ridgefield, or the inhabitants thereof, shall not be affected by any provision of this act but shall continue in force the same as though this act had not passed, and shall be construed as having been made by the selectmen of said town for and in behalf of the Village district.

SEC. 19. Any bond, obligation or contract of the Ridgefield fire district of the borough of Ridgefield, outstanding or in force at the time this act shall take effect, shall continue to remain a liability or obligation upon said Village district, and said Village district shall assume all liabilities under any such bond, obligation or contract until such bond, obligation or contract is discharged or completed, and said Village district shall be subrogated to all rights and interests in or to any outstanding contract at said time and in or to any outstanding obligation or liability to said Ridgefield fire district and said borough of Ridge-

field and any lien in force at the time this act shall take effect, held by said borough of Ridgefield or by said fire district of Ridgefield, shall continue and may be enforced or collected for the benefit of said Village district by the tax collector of the town of Ridgefield in the same manner as tax liens may be enforced or collected.

SEC. 20. The selectmen may order the owner or owners of any land fronting upon any street or highway in said Village district, at the expense of such owner or owners, to lay sidewalks of such width and kind and at such grade as the selectmen shall designate and may limit the time for the carrying out of such order, notice of which order shall be given by the clerk of said town by leaving a true and attested copy of such order with or at the usual place of abode of such owner or owners within five days after the issuance of the same. If such owner be a non-resident of said district, a true and attested copy of such order shall be deposited by said clerk in the postoffice in Ridgefield, postage paid, and the letter addressed to such owner at his place of residence, if the same be known, and a like copy shall be left with the agent or person in charge of, or occupying, such premises, if any there be. If any such owner or owners shall refuse or neglect to comply with such order within the time therein specified, the selectmen may lay such sidewalk at the expense of said Village district, and the expense incurred in laying such walk from the time when such expense shall begin to be incurred shall be and continue a lien upon the land in front of which such walk is laid in favor of said district, which lien shall take precedence of all other liens, except taxes, and the amount due on such lien may be collected by warrant under the hand of the first selectman in the same manner as town taxes are by law collected, provided such lien shall not continue for a period longer than sixty days after final completion of such walk, unless within said period a certificate, signed by the clerk of said town describing the property upon which such lien exists and the amount claimed by said Village district as a lien thereon, shall be filed and recorded by the town clerk in the land records of the town of Ridgefield. Such lien shall cease to exist whenever a certificate of discharge signed by the first selectman or clerk of said town shall be filed for record in the land records of said town. Any such lien may be foreclosed in the manner provided for the foreclosure of tax liens.

SEC. 21. The selectmen are authorized to lay out, build, maintain and discontinue drains and sewers in said Village district and to provide a general system of sewerage for said Village district through or along any street, highway or public ground, or through any private ground by making suitable compensation therefor, and shall assess such portion of the cost of such sewer or drain or general system of sewerage, as they may deem reasonable, upon the property of such person or persons as they shall find to be specially benefited thereby, provided, in the event such selectmen and the party or parties in interest cannot

agree as to the amount of damages to be paid to any person or persons whose land or property is taken or affected or as to the amount of benefits, in the event benefits are assessed against any person, then such damages and benefits shall be assessed in the manner hereinafter provided, but no general system of sewerage shall be laid out or constructed until such system shall first be submitted to a meeting of free-men of said district for their acceptance and approval, notice of which meeting shall be given by publication of the time and place and of the purpose of the same, at least five days previous to the time of such meeting, by publication in a newspaper published in said town, or having a circulation therein, or upon the public sign-post located in said district.

Sec. 22. When the selectmen shall determine to lay out, alter or discontinue any drain or sewer or adopt a general system of sewerage in said Village district, they shall cause a notice, signed by the first selectman, describing in general terms such proposed lay-out, alteration or discontinuance and fixing a time when and place where all persons whose lands are proposed to be taken therefor or affected thereby may appear before, and be heard by such selectmen in relation thereto, to be published at least twice in a newspaper published in the town of Ridgefield, or in a newspaper published in Fairfield county and having a circulation in said district, or to be posted on the sign-post in said district at least ten days before the time fixed in such notice for such hearing. At such meeting or any adjourned meeting thereof the selectmen shall hear all parties in interest who may appear and desire to be heard in relation thereto.

Sec. 23. If, after such meeting, the selectmen shall decide to lay out, alter or discontinue any drain or sewer or to adopt a general system of sewerage they shall make a lay-out of such drain or sewer or system of sewerage or shall describe the drain or sewer or system of sewerage which it is proposed to discontinue, and report, in writing, which report shall include a descriptive survey of the drain, sewer or system of sewerage to be laid out, altered or discontinued, which descriptive survey shall be filed with the town clerk. If the selectmen and parties in interest fail to agree as to the damages or benefits to be assessed, the selectmen shall appoint three disinterested judicious freeholders of Fairfield county to appraise the damages and assess the benefits, as the case may be, resulting from the taking of any such lands or any interest therein, or from the lay-out, alteration or construction of any such drain, sewer or system of sewerage. Such freeholders shall be sworn to a faithful and impartial discharge of their duties and a certificate of such appointment and the administration of such oath shall be made by the officers appointing them and shall be recorded in connection with the records of such lay-out. Before making such appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits, such freeholders shall give at least six days' notice to all persons interested, of the time when and place where

they will meet for the purpose of attending to the duties of their appointment. Such notice shall be sufficient if signed by such freeholders or a majority of them and published or posted in the manner provided for in the preceding section. Such freeholders shall meet at the time and place designated in said notice and may adjourn to meet at such time and place as they may find convenient, and at such meeting or any adjournment thereof may hear the parties in interest who may appear before them, and such freeholders shall ascertain and determine what persons or persons will be damaged by the taking of any land or any interest therein or by any such lay-out or alteration or by the construction of any such drain, sewer or general sewerage system, and the amount thereof over and above any special benefit which such person or persons may receive therefrom. Such freeholders may also determine any other persons owning or interested in land contiguous to or in the vicinity of any proposed improvement, that will be especially benefited by the same and the amount of any such benefit over and above any damage any such person may receive therefrom, also any such person as may receive an equal amount of damages and benefits thereby. Such freeholders shall report the amount of damages and benefits so determined and the names of the persons to whom the same respectively appertain, with a general description of the property in connection with which any damages or benefits are assessed or levied, to the selectmen, who may accept such report or who may return the same to such freeholders for reconsideration and correction. Upon the acceptance of any such report, the selectmen shall deliver the same to the town clerk, who shall record the same. No assessment of benefits shall be made for any such improvement which shall exceed the whole amount of damages resulting from such improvement and the cost of completing such improvement. The town clerk shall cause a notice, signed by the first selectman, which shall contain the names of the persons so assessed and the amount of their respective assessments, to be published not less than twice in a newspaper published in the town of Ridgefield, or in a newspaper published in Fairfield county and having a circulation in said town, which publication shall be sufficient notice to all persons interested in such assessments, and thereupon such assessments shall be due and payable. The selectmen shall order the damages so assessed to be paid to the person or persons to whom they respectively belong, out of the funds of said Village district. If any person shall refuse or neglect to receive the amount so found due and ordered to be paid to him, the same shall be deposited in the treasury of the town, to be paid to such person entitled to receive it whenever he may apply for the same. Any person aggrieved by any such assessment of damages or benefits may, within sixty days from the date of such assessment, appeal from the authority making such assessment to the superior court for Fairfield county at the next return day or next but one, and

said court may review such assessment and the manner of making the same and may render such judgment therein as it shall determine.

SEC. 24. The assessment of benefits so made shall be a lien upon the property upon which they are respectively made and shall take precedence of all liens or incumbrances thereon except taxes, provided such lien shall not continue for a period longer than sixty days after the last publication of the notice thereof, unless within such period a certificate signed by the first selectman, describing the premises on which such lien exists and the amount claimed by said Village district as a lien thereon, shall be lodged with the town clerk for record in the land records of said town. Such lien shall cease to exist whenever a certificate to that effect signed by the first selectman or the clerk of said borough shall be lodged with said town clerk for record in the land records of said town. Any such assessment may be collected by warrant signed by the first selectman and any such lien may be foreclosed in the same manner as lien for town taxes.

SEC. 25. The selectmen are authorized to establish building and veranda lines and to assess damages and benefits occasioned thereby to the persons injured or benefited, as the case may be, and in establishing any such line or lines and any assessment of damages or benefits, the parties interested shall proceed in the same manner and shall have the same rights as are provided in this act for the lay-out, alteration or discontinuance of drains, sewers or a general sewerage system and for the assessment of benefits and damages occasioned thereby.

SEC. 26. The treasurer of the borough of Ridgefield shall pay out no money after the passage of this act, and within one week after passage of this act, shall deliver to the treasurer of the town of Ridgefield all funds of said borough and all books, papers, records and documents of said borough pertaining to the office of the treasurer of said borough and of the Ridgefield fire district, and liabilities to, and obligations of, said borough, and the treasurer of said town shall thereafter be the custodian of such books, records, papers and documents.

SEC. 27. The borough clerk of the borough of Ridgefield, within one week after passage of this act, shall deliver to the town clerk of the town of Ridgefield all books, records, papers, documents and supplies of said borough of Ridgefield and of the fire district of Ridgefield in his possession, and said town clerk shall thereafter be custodian of such records, books, papers, documents and supplies.

SEC. 28. The tax collector of the borough of Ridgefield shall, within one week after passage of this act, deliver to the tax collector of the town of Ridgefield the current warrant books and all books, records, papers and documents relating to taxes in his possession, and shall, within said time, deliver to the treasurer of said town all funds which may have been collected by him as such collector.

SEC. 29. In the event any officer of the town of Ridgefield shall neglect or refuse to discharge any duty imposed under the provisions

of this act, or in the event of any vacancy in any office, the selectmen may appoint an officer to discharge such duty or to fill such vacancy, as the case may be.

SEC. 30. All by-laws of the borough of Ridgefield shall continue and may be enforced in the same manner as by-laws adopted under the provisions of this act until such by-laws shall be repealed and new by-laws adopted by the selectmen.

SEC. 31. Any officer of the borough of Ridgefield who, under the provisions of the charter of said borough, receives a salary, shall be paid, at the time this act shall take effect, such proportionate amount of his entire salary as the time during which he has held such office bears to the full term.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 634.]

[247.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE NEWINGTON HOME FOR
CRIPPLED CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Louise C. Bernard, Edith A. Buck, Clarence E. Whitney and Isidore Wise, of Hartford, John H. Trumbull of Plainville, and E. Allen Moore and Howard L. Platt, of New Britain, and such others as may be associated with them, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of The Newington Home for Crippled Children. Said corporation shall be located in the city of Hartford. The objects of said corporation shall be to search out, assist and care for dependent, sick and incurable children and any class of dependent or neglected children not otherwise provided for, and to take over and conduct The Newington Home for Crippled Children hitherto conducted by the Connecticut Children's Aid Society, and to establish and conduct such other institutions and engage in such other work as may be adapted to the purposes and objects of said corporation, and in the exercise of said objects it shall be the successors to the Connecticut Children's Aid Society. Said corporation shall have power to enact by-laws and shall have all other powers and privileges given to corporations without capital stock by the laws of this state. Said corporation is authorized to accept appointment as, and to act as guardian of the person of any minor child, when appointed such guardian by any probate court having jurisdiction over such minor.

SEC. 2. The land, buildings and personal property now belonging to the Connecticut Children's Aid Society, acquired, used or adopted for said home for crippled children shall, upon the taking effect of this act, be vested in said corporation, The Newington Home for Crippled Children, including all the land and buildings of said Connecticut Chil-

dren's Aid Society in the town of Newington. All permanent or invested funds of the Connecticut Children's Aid Society now owned by or in possession of the Connecticut Children's Aid Society, donated or otherwise acquired specifically for the purpose of supporting or assisting in the conduct of the home for crippled children, shall, upon the taking effect of this act, be vested in said corporation, The Newington Home for Crippled Children. All permanent or invested funds owned by or in the possession of the Connecticut Children's Aid Society, acquired generally for the uses and purposes of said society, shall be divided into three equal parts and one of said parts shall, upon the taking effect of this act, be vested in said corporation, The Newington Home for Crippled Children. The Newington Home for Crippled Children is hereby made beneficiary as successor to the Connecticut Children's Aid Society to any trust funds now existing in the hands of trustees or other fiduciaries wherein the Connecticut Children's Aid Society is the beneficiary, either of principal or income or both, where the instrument creating such trust shall have specially designated the home for crippled children as the object of such trust, and where trusts exist which are generally for the uses and purposes of the Connecticut Children's Aid Society, the income or principal therefrom, as the case may be, shall be divided into three equal parts and one of said parts paid over to said The Newington Home for Crippled Children, and the trustees or other fiduciaries are authorized to act in accordance herewith. In the event that bequests, gifts or devises shall hereafter arise or take effect by reason of wills or other instruments executed prior to the taking effect of this act, in which the Connecticut Children's Aid Society is legatee, devisee or beneficiary, the bequest, devise or fund so created shall be paid over and divided in the same manner as hereinbefore provided, but nothing in this act shall vest in said The Newington Home for Crippled Children funds or moneys specifically designated for the child placing work of the Connecticut Children's Aid Society or other objects or purposes distinct from the home for crippled children. One of the objects and powers of the Connecticut Children's Aid Society shall hereafter be to receive and pay over to said The Newington Home for Crippled Children any moneys, securities or property which it may at any time acquire, wherein said home for crippled children is designated as the object and purpose of such gift, or wherever in accordance with this act any fund or part of any fund or income should be paid over or transferred to The Newington Home for Crippled Children.

Sec. 3. Upon the organization of said The Newington Home for Crippled Children said Connecticut Children's Aid Society shall by proper instrument or instruments convey the property which, under the provisions of this act, shall become vested in or should be transferred to said The Newington Home for Crippled Children.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[House Bill No. 429.]

[248.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT INCORPORATING THE
WINDSOR FIRE DISTRICT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The legal voters of the Windsor Fire District, incorporated by an act approved May 12, 1915, at the annual meeting of said district, to be held on the first Tuesday of June, 1921, or at any annual meeting of the voters of said district held thereafter, or at any adjournment thereof, may, by a majority vote, designate and appoint the commissioners of said district and their successors in office, elected in accordance with the terms of said act, a commission with full power and authority to act as hereinafter set forth. Said commissioners shall be sworn to the faithful performance of all their duties as provided for in said act and amendments thereto and shall receive no extra compensation for their services, but said district shall make suitable appropriations of money from time to time, for the necessary expenses to be incurred by said board of commissioners and said board shall incur no expenses in excess of said appropriations.

SEC. 2. Said commissioner shall make, from time to time, or cause to be made, surveys and maps of said district, section by section, as need therefor shall arise, showing locations for any public building, highway, street or parkway layouts, including street, building and veranda lines, and may obtain expert advice and assistance in so doing.

SEC. 3. When a survey and map of any section shall have been made in pursuance of section two or section six of this act, said commission shall lodge the original of said map for public inspection in the town clerk's office in the town of Windsor and give notice thereof by mail to every known owner of land in said section, and notice by advertisement in a daily newspaper having circulation in said district, of the place where and the time when, not less than two weeks after said mailing and publication, said commission will receive objections in writing to said map and to the location shown thereon, and hear evidence and argument thereon. Upon so receiving objections and evidence and argument at said hearing, or any adjournment thereof, said commission shall notify in writing each objector of its final action relating to said matter and in any event shall file a map in accordance with its final decision in the Windsor town clerk's office as a public record of said town.

SEC. 4. Any party interested may appeal from the action of said commission within thirty days after the notice, or before the decision of said commission and filing of said map, and as many of the parties interested as choose so to do, may join in such appeal, provided, where

separate appeals are taken by different parties from a single act of said commission, all such appeals shall be heard and treated as one cause. All such appeals shall be taken to the superior court for the county of Hartford and shall be by a suitable petition in writing setting forth the whole of said action appealed from and asking for a revision thereof with a citation attached thereto signed on behalf of the parties so appealing by any authority authorized by the general statutes or by the rules of said court to sign writs, and said appeal shall be returnable before said superior court of Hartford county in the same manner as are appeals in civil causes and a citation shall be served upon the clerk of said commission at least six days prior to the return day thereof. Said appeal may be heard by said court or, upon the action of any party thereto, may be referred to a committee for hearing and if upon such hearing the court or the committee shall find cause to alter said map and the action evidenced thereby, said court or committee shall proceed to revise said action and may cause a new map to be made in accordance with such decision, but the final action on such appeal shall be by said superior court for the county of Hartford which may render judgment upon said appeal and all proceedings thereunder among the parties thereto, and may tax the costs of the same and issue execution therefor. Said court when the proceedings in any such appeal are closed, either by the judge or the clerk thereof, shall return all papers connected therewith to the clerk of said commission to be by him filed in the office of the town clerk of said town of Windsor and said action as finally determined shall be conclusive upon all parties in interest.

SEC. 5. Whenever said commission shall wish to amend or change the map so made and filed by it, it shall proceed in all respects as is herein prescribed for the original making, revising and filing of said map, and in any such case any person aggrieved shall have the right to appeal from such amendment or change in the manner provided in section four of this act.

SEC. 6. Any owner of land in said district may show on map made by him, or at his instance in accordance with rules prescribed by said commission, locations for highway, streets and parkways on said land with street, building and veranda lines, and shall indicate in a written petition by said owner to said commission, the layout desired by him and file with said commission in connection with said written petition, a survey or map, showing such layout. Said commission shall, within sixty days after the receipt of such petition, surveys and maps, take action in connection therewith pursuant to section three of this act, and unless said surveys, plans and petitions are accepted or rejected by said commission within sixty days after their receipt, the months of July and August not to be counted in such reckoning, said location of highway, streets and parkways, with street, building and veranda lines, shall be considered as accepted by said commission for all purposes of this act.

SEC. 7. Said district shall not accept and the selectmen of said Windsor shall not lay out or open any street, highway, park or parkway, or permit a building for the public use to be erected, or permit the establishing of any street, building or veranda lines on any property within the limits of said district unless its location conforms to that shown on maps filed in the office of the town clerk in pursuance of the terms of this act, and the board of commissioners of said district shall close to public use any street, highway or parkway opened in violation of the provisions of this act, and shall institute proper proceedings to enforce such closing.

SEC. 8. Nothing herein shall be considered as granting to said district or said commission or said selectmen, any right to open and make any road, street, highway or parkway shown on such map and to take land therefor, except upon the terms and in conformity with the procedure set forth in the general statutes, and also in conformity with any vote, rule, regulation, ordinance or other method of procedure of said town.

SEC. 9. Before any person shall erect, add to or place any dwelling house, shop, store, barn or other building upon premises abutting on any street or proposed street, or highway in said district, whereon a building line has been established as hereinbefore provided, such person shall make written application to said commission for a building permit, which application shall describe in general terms the proposed location of such building and its character, and shall certify that such building will be so located as not to extend over any building line, street line or veranda line either established or proposed by layouts as hereinbefore provided. If such board shall find that such building will be so located as not to extend over any such line, it shall issue a written permit authorizing such applicant to erect, add to or place such building in the manner and location described in said application.

SEC. 10. Every person who shall erect, add to, move or place any dwelling house, shop, store, barn or other building upon premises specified in section nine hereof in said town, without making application and receiving permit provided for in said section, or any person who shall lay out or open up any street or tract of land within said district without having his plans approved by said commission and filed with the town clerk, as hereinbefore provided, shall pay the sum of twenty-five dollars to said district for the use of said district, and a further sum of twenty-five dollars for each week that said building shall remain without such permission or such street or development layout shall be opened to the public without a building permit or the approval of his plans as hereinbefore provided, and each week of continuance of such building without such permission shall be deemed a separate offense, and said sums may be collected in any proper suit by the district in the same manner as a town would collect an action of debt.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 359.]

[249.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE WORLD FIRE AND
MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Leon P. Broadhurst, William R. C. Corson, George L. Burnham, Elijah C. Johnson, Charles A. Goodwin, Clifford D. Perkins, Moses Fox and Edwin S. Allen, with such other persons as are or hereafter may be associated with them as stockholders, as hereinafter provided, and their successors and assigns forever, are hereby created and established a body politic and corporate by the name of The World Fire and Marine Insurance Company, with power under that name to sue and to be sued, plead and be impleaded in the courts of this state and elsewhere; to have and to use a common seal and the same to change at pleasure; to purchase, acquire, lease, have, hold, enjoy and possess both real and personal property of every kind, and the same to grant, sell, mortgage, lease, alien, convey, invest, use and dispose of for the purposes of the corporation; to make, ordain and put into execution such by-laws and regulations as may be deemed by them proper for the management of the affairs of the corporation, and to amend and repeal the same, provided such by-laws and regulations shall not be repugnant to its charter or to the laws of this state or of the United States; and generally to do and cause to be done and executed all things that may be necessary, expedient or proper within the limitations herein contained.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance upon all kinds of property, real, personal or mixed, and any valuable interest therein, including dwelling houses, stores, buildings, edifices and structures of every kind, household furniture and personal property of every kind and description, against loss or damage, caused by fire, lightning or other electrical disturbance, and explosion, whether fire ensues or not, except explosion of steam boilers; by wind, tornado, cyclone, earthquake, hail, frost, snow, ice, flood, rain or drought, rising of the waters of the ocean or of its tributaries, weather or climatic conditions, including excess or deficiency of moisture, war, bombardment or other mode of attack, invasion, insurrection, riot, strikes, sabotage, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power; against loss or damage by water or other fluid, arising from the breakage, overflow or leakage of or injury to any sprinkler, pump, water tanks, conduits, pipes or other apparatus erected or used for preventing or extinguishing fire, or of other conduits, water pipes or containers, or by water entering through leak or opening in buildings and against accidental injury to or by such sprinklers, pumps, apparatus, conduits, water pipes or containers; also against loss or damage

by insects, disease or other causes to trees, growing crops or other products of the soil.

SEC. 3. Said insurance company is authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance against loss or damage upon vessels, cargoes, freights, goods, wares, merchandise, specie, bullion, jewelry, profits, commissions, bank notes, bills of exchange, evidences of debt, securities and other property, bottomry and respondentia interests, and every insurance appertaining to or connected with marine risks, risks of transportation and navigation, including the risks of lake, river, canal and inland transportation and navigation. Said corporation may, in connection with marine, inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also insure and reinsure any risk whether to person or to property, including liability for loss or damage to either, arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance, use or possession of the subject-matter of such primary insurance.

SEC. 4. Said insurance company is authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance upon automobiles of every kind and character and upon airplanes, seaplanes, dirigibles or other aircraft, and on any valuable interest therein, against loss or damage from all or any of the hazards of fire, explosion, transportation, collision, and from legal liability for damage to property resulting from the maintenance and use thereof, and against loss or damage thereof, or thereto, from burglary, theft, vandalism, malicious mischief or wrongful conversion, disposal or concealment, whether or not held under a conditional sale contract or subject to chattel mortgage.

SEC. 5. Said insurance company is authorized and empowered, in addition to the powers hereinbefore or hitherto conferred, to issue policies or contracts of insurance against any and all hazards or risks which any fire or marine insurance company is now or may hereafter be authorized to issue under any general law of this state or of any other state or territory of the United States or foreign country wherein it may be authorized to transact business.

SEC. 6. Said insurance company shall have power to make reinsurance of any risks taken by it, or offered to it on any risk taken by any other fire or marine insurance company, or reinsurance company, whether authorized or not to transact business in this state.

SEC. 7. The words "loss or damage" as used in this act shall include loss of use and occupancy, loss of rents, rental values, profits and consequential damages.

SEC. 8. The capital stock of said corporation shall be five hundred thousand dollars, with power in the corporation to increase the same, from time to time, to any sum not exceeding one million dollars, and said stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, transferable on the books of the corporation under such rules and regulations as from time to time may be adopted by it or incorporated in its by-laws. Whenever stock to the amount of five hundred thousand

dollars has been subscribed for and payment in cash therefor shall have been actually made and an additional surplus of five hundred thousand dollars shall have been accumulated, the corporation may organize and commence business.

SEC. 9. The principal office of the corporation shall be located in the town of Hartford. The stock, property and affairs of said corporation shall be managed and conducted by a board of not less than seven nor more than fifteen directors, who shall be stockholders, and shall be chosen annually by the stockholders and shall hold office for one year and until others are chosen and have qualified in their stead. The directors chosen at the organization meeting to be called by the commissioners as hereinafter provided shall be chosen by the subscribers present at said meeting, to hold office until the first annual meeting as prescribed by the by-laws then to be adopted, and until others are chosen and have qualified in their stead.

SEC. 10. The annual meetings of the corporation, after the first meeting, shall be held on such day in February in each year, and at such place, and with such notice, as the laws of this state and the by-laws shall prescribe. If it shall so happen that the corporation shall fail to hold its annual meeting within the time specified therefor, in any year, or shall fail to elect directors thereat, the corporation shall not be dissolved nor its rights impaired thereby, but a special meeting for such purpose shall be called by persons whose duty it is to call the annual meeting, or by a majority of the directors, or, in case of the refusal of the officers and of the directors to call such meeting, such special meeting may be called by the holders of one-third of the capital stock by giving written notice of such meeting in accordance with the provisions of the by-laws, and at such meeting, duly called and held, directors may be elected to fill the place of the directors whose terms of office shall have expired and to fill any vacancy in the board for any unexpired term.

SEC. 11. Special meetings of the stockholders may be held at any time in accordance with the provisions of the general laws of this state.

SEC. 12. At all meetings of the stockholders, stockholders of record may vote in person or by an attorney duly authorized by a written power executed by them and filed with the corporation. Every share of stock shall entitle the registered holder thereof to one vote. It shall be lawful for the directors to close the stock transfer books of the corporation for a period not exceeding seven days before any meeting of the corporation, for the purpose of determining the persons entitled to vote at such meeting, and for a similar period of time preceding the payment of a dividend or the issue of any rights to stockholders, for the purpose of determining the persons entitled thereto. At all meetings of stockholders, all questions shall be determined by a majority vote of the stock represented at such meeting, except in cases where the statute laws of this state require otherwise.

SEC. 13. The directors may determine how many of their number, not less than three, shall constitute a quorum of the directors for the transaction of business, and may fill any vacancy in their own number for the unexpired portion of the term or until the corporation shall fill such vacancy. The directors, by a majority vote of the whole board, may appoint from their own number such committees as they may deem advisable and, subject to such limitations as may be prescribed by the directors, may delegate to such committees any of the powers of the board of directors.

SEC. 14. The directors shall elect from their own number a president, and shall appoint a secretary and such other officers as the by-laws shall prescribe or authorize.

SEC. 15. To carry out the provisions of this act and to organize such corporation, William R. C. Corson, George L. Burnham and Charles A. Goodwin, who are named in section one, are hereby appointed commissioners to solicit and receive subscriptions to the capital stock of this corporation upon such terms as they or a majority of them may determine, and they or a majority of them are hereby empowered to open subscription books for such purpose, and in their discretion to accept or disallow any subscriptions received, and to close the subscription books, and in the event that the amount of capital stock with which the corporation shall commence business shall be over-subscribed, to distribute and apportion the same, pro rata, among the subscriptions accepted by them. Each subscriber shall pay to the commissioners, at the time of subscription, a first installment, on each share by him subscribed, of not less than fifty dollars, and the balance shall be paid by him or his assigns at such time before the organization of the corporation as the directors may prescribe; and if any subscriber shall fail to pay any such installment within five days after the date set for such payment, the part-paid stock of such subscriber so failing to make payment may be sold by order of the board of directors, at public auction or otherwise as the board may elect, and the proceeds of such sale shall be first applied in payment of the installment called for and the expenses of such sale, and the balance, if any, shall be refunded to such delinquent stockholder, not exceeding the amounts already paid by him, in full of all his rights under such subscription; and such sale shall in all respects entitle the purchaser to all the rights of a subscriber to the extent of the payments received by the corporation on account of such shares so subscribed for, but nothing herein shall permit the issue of any shares of stock upon the subscription for which the corporation shall have received for its account less than the amount called for by the terms of the subscription. When the capital stock shall have been subscribed for and the first installment paid thereon as provided herein, the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall call the first meeting of the subscribers to the capital stock, to be held in the city of Hartford, by giving at least ten days' written notice, by mail, to each subscriber, and to each com-

missioner not joining in the call, at his last known address, of the time, place and purpose of such meeting. When the by-laws shall have been duly adopted by the subscribers present and the directors shall have been duly elected as aforesaid, and when the board of directors shall have organized the corporation and elected a president and secretary, the commissioners shall thereupon pay over the moneys received by them to the officers thus elected.

SEC. 16. From time to time, and until the paid-in capital stock shall equal the maximum hereby authorized, the directors may open new subscriptions for such additional amounts as may be deemed best by the directors of the corporation.

SEC. 17. All contracts of reinsurance and all other contracts authorized or contemplated by this act may be made with or without the seal of said corporation, and shall be signed by the president or a vice-president and secretary or an assistant secretary, and being so signed and executed, shall be binding and obligatory upon said corporation according to the true intent and meaning of such contracts.

Approved, May 11, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 671.]

[250.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY
OF SHELTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Sections 99 and 130 of an act incorporating the city of Shelton, approved May 20, 1915, are repealed.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage, the provisions of any other act, general or special, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, May 17, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 13.]

[251.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR BIENNIAL TOWN ELECTIONS
IN TORRINGTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Town meetings in the town of Torrington for the election of town officers shall hereafter be held once in two years on the first Monday of October, beginning on the first Monday in October, 1921.

SEC. 2. All officers of said town required by law to be elected by ballot, shall, at such biennial election, be elected for the term of two

years and until their successors are elected and qualified, beginning at the time prescribed by law, except the board of education and the assessor. The members of the board of education and the assessor shall, at said biennial election, on the first Monday of October, 1921, be elected for the term of six years. The members of the board of education and the assessor, whose terms expire in 1922 and 1923, shall respectively hold office until 1923 and 1925, and their successors shall be elected for the term of six years at the biennial election in 1923 and in 1925, respectively, and thereafter the expiring terms of members of the board of education and the assessor shall be filled by election of successors for the term of six years and until their successors are elected and qualified. All other town business shall be done and performed and official duties performed at said biennial town meetings the same as now required by law.

SEC. 3. At said biennial town meetings the polls shall be open and closed at the same time as fixed by law.

SEC. 4. Town meetings shall be held in said town on the first Monday in October in the even numbered years at such hours as shall be determined by vote of said town at the town meeting on the first Monday of October, 1921, or as thereafter determined in any subsequent biennial town meeting, or for want of such vote, as the selectmen shall fix, for the transaction of all town business other than the election of town officers, and for the presentation by the selectmen of a budget and consideration and action thereon by the town meeting. The making of annual reports by town officers, the duties of assessors, board of relief and tax collector and the collection of taxes and all other duties of town officers required by law, shall continue and be performed annually as heretofore.

Approved, May 17, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 181.]

[252.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FIRST SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
BRISTOL TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. School district number one of the town of Bristol is hereby authorized to issue and sell its bonds to an amount not exceeding the sum of three hundred thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. The principal of said bonds shall be paid and the bonds cancelled in annual series, the amount and time of payment of each series shall be determined by said district and the time of final payment of the last series of said bonds shall be not later than forty years from the date

thereof. The funds raised from the sale of said bonds shall be used and expended for the uses and purposes of said district.

SEC. 2. Said school district number one shall, at its first annual meeting or a meeting to be specially warned and held for such purposes, prescribe, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, the form, conditions and reservations of the same, the rate of interest thereon not exceeding the rate aforesaid, the time and place of paying such interest and principal and the time and manner in which such bonds may be called in and redeemed and interest thereon made to terminate, and the person or persons who shall execute the same for and on behalf of said district. Such bonds, when executed, issued and delivered by said district and by its officers or agents duly appointed by said district, shall be obligatory upon said district and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, May 17, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 590.]

[253.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CENTRAL CONNECTICUT
POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section three of a resolution incorporating the East Haddam Electric Light Company, approved May 18, 1893, as amended by a resolution approved March 28, 1917, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said company shall be not less than three hundred thousand dollars and may be increased at any time, by vote of the stockholders at a meeting duly warned for that purpose, to any amount not exceeding one million, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, but no such increased stock shall be issued until the same shall be paid for in cash or its equivalent. The capital stock of said corporation shall be deemed personal property and shall be transferable only on the books of said corporation in such manner as its by-laws shall prescribe and said corporation shall have a lien upon the stock and property of its members invested therein for the debts due from them to said corporation.

SEC. 2. The Central Connecticut Power and Light Company is authorized to issue bonds from time to time to an amount not to

exceed, at any one time, three-fourths of its capital stock then outstanding, which bonds shall be a mortgage lien upon all its property when secured by a defeasance recorded in the land records of the town or the towns wherein it is situated. Said mortgage may include after-acquired property.

Approved, May 17, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 184.]

[254.]

AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM TAXATION THE BONDS OF THE
GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All bonds which have been or may be issued under the provisions of an act authorizing The General Hospital Society of Connecticut to issue bonds, approved May 12, 1919, shall be exempt from taxation.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 472.]

[255.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD TO
ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The county of Fairfield is authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said county to an amount not exceeding the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars. Such bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars or less as the county commissioners for Fairfield county shall determine. Such bonds shall be issued on or after the first day of October, 1921, and shall be payable thirty years from said date. They may be either registered or coupon bonds, and changed from one form to the other at the option of the holder, and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed six per centum per annum, to be determined by said county commissioners, payable semi-annually on the first days of April and October in each year. Such bonds shall be signed by said county commissioners and countersigned by the treasurer of said county, and shall be sold in such manner as said county commissioners may determine, but in no case for less than par. Such bonds when duly issued and delivered as provided in this act shall be valid obligations upon said county and its inhabitants, and payable according to their tenor in gold coin or legal tender of the United States. The county commissioners shall provide a sinking fund

for the redemption of such bonds of not less than five thousand dollars per year after October, 1921, and such further sum as said commissioners may determine, not exceeding a sum sufficient to pay the principal of such bonds at maturity.

SEC. 2. Said county commissioners are authorized to use such sinking fund to repurchase such bonds in the open market at any time after the same have been issued, at not more than two per centum above par. Any bonds so purchased shall be forthwith cancelled and not again sold or reissued. The county commissioners shall deposit such sinking fund or any part thereof not used in the repurchase of such bonds in any of the savings banks, or the savings department of any national bank of this state.

SEC. 3. The avails of such bonds shall be deposited by said commissioners in a national bank or banks, trust company or trust companies in this state, in the name of said county commissioners, and shall be subject to the order of and used by said commissioners for the purpose of defraying the legal proportion of the expense of the county of Fairfield in the construction and equipment of the Washington bridge over the Housatonic river between the towns of Stratford and Milford.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 905.]

[256.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN TO
ISSUE WATER BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

For the purpose of increasing the water supply of the city of New Britain and of carrying out the provisions of an act approved May 11, 1903, and an act approved May 29, 1903, said city is authorized to issue additional bonds, notes or certificates of debt to be denominated on the face thereof "Water Fund of the City of New Britain, Twelfth Series," to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than five per centum per annum, the principal of which shall be payable at some certain time or times within thirty years of issuing the same and the amount of such notes, scrip or certificates which may at any time be issued, with the times of payment of principal and interest thereof and the rate of interest, to be prescribed by said city in legal meeting for that purpose called and held. Such notes, scrip or certificates shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the treasurer of said city and shall, when issued, be obligatory on said city and the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor of the same. The board of finance and taxation of said city shall be the trustees of said notes,

scrip or certificates issued under the provisions of this act, shall superintend the issuing of the same and regulate the form thereof and may sell the same in such manner and on such terms as it may deem best. Said board shall keep a record of all such notes, scrip or certificates issued and disposed of, or pledged, and all moneys received by said board shall be by it paid to the treasurer of said city and such bonds, notes or certificates shall be subject to the provisions of a resolution authorizing the city of New Britain to redeem its outstanding bonds by the issue of new bonds, approved March 10, 1893.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 362.]

[257.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE ORIENT
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Orient Insurance Company, incorporated by resolution approved June 28, 1867, is authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance upon all kinds of property, real, personal or mixed, and any valuable interest therein, including dwelling houses, stores, buildings, edifices and structures of every kind, household furniture and personal property of every kind and description, against loss or damage, caused by fire, lightning or other electrical disturbance, and explosion, whether fire ensues or not, except explosion of steam boilers; by wind, tornado, cyclone, earthquake, hail, frost, snow, ice, flood, rain or drought, rising of the waters of the ocean or of its tributaries, weather or climatic conditions, including excess or deficiency of moisture, war, bombardment, or other mode of attack, invasion, insurrection, riot, strikes, sabotage, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power; against loss or damage by water or other fluid, arising from the breakage, overflow or leakage of or injury to any sprinkler, pump, water tanks, conduits, pipes or other apparatus erected or used for preventing or extinguishing fire, or of other conduits, water pipes or containers, or by water entering through any leak or opening in buildings and against accidental injury to or by such sprinklers, pumps, apparatus, conduits, water pipes or containers; also against loss or damage by insects, disease or other causes to trees, growing crops, or other products of the soil.

SEC. 2. Said insurance company is hereby authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance against loss or damage upon vessels, cargoes, freights, goods, wares, merchandise, specie, bullion, jewelry, profits commissions, bank notes, bills of exchange, evidences of debt, securities and other property, bottomry and respondentia

interests, and every insurance appertaining to or connected with marine risks, risks of transportation and navigation, including the risks of lake, river, canal and inland transportation and navigation. Said corporation may, in connection with marine, inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also insure and reinsure any risk whether to person or to property, including liability for loss or damage to either, arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance, use or possession of the subject-matter of such primary insurance.

SEC. 3. Said insurance company is hereby authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance upon automobiles of every kind and character and upon airplanes, seaplanes, dirigibles or other aircraft, and on any valuable interest therein against loss or damage from all or any of the hazards of fire, explosion, transportation, collision, and from legal liability for damage to property resulting from the maintenance and use thereof, and against loss or damage thereof, or thereto, from burglary, theft, vandalism, malicious mischief, or wrongful conversion, disposal or concealment whether or not held under a conditional sale contract or subject to chattel mortgage.

SEC. 4. Said insurance company is hereby authorized and empowered, in addition to the powers hereinbefore or hitherto conferred, to issue policies or contracts of insurance against any and all hazards or risks which any fire or marine insurance company is now or may hereafter be authorized to issue under any general law of this state or of any other state or territory of the United States or foreign country wherein it may be authorized to transact business.

SEC. 5. Said insurance company shall have power to make reinsurance of any risks taken by it, or offered to it on any risk taken by any other fire or marine insurance company, or reinsurance company, whether authorized or not to transact business in this state.

SEC. 6. The words "loss or damage" as used in this act shall include loss of use and occupancy, loss of rents, rental values, profits and consequential damages.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 324.]

[258.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONCERNING THE FORM OF
GOVERNMENT OF THE TOWN OF GREENWICH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section eight of an act concerning the form of government of the town of Greenwich, approved June 2, 1913, is amended to read as follows: Said highway commission shall serve without pay.

Said highway commission shall be allowed such reasonable necessary disbursements as may be incurred.

Sec. 2. Section eleven of said act is amended to read as follows: Wilbur S. Wright, Nathaniel A. Knapp and Edwin N. Chapman are hereby appointed a bonding committee to incur all necessary expenses in connection with the issuance of said bonds, including preparation and printing of the same, the certifying to the same by some New York trust company, and legal services. Said committee shall have power to designate a bank or trust company at which the principal and interest of said bonds shall be paid, which shall be the registrar of the same, the denomination of the bonds, the rate of interest they shall bear not exceeding six per centum per annum, the date of said bonds and any other matter relating to said bonds, and to take such action as may be necessary in the matter of the execution, issuance, sale and negotiation thereof. Said committee shall sell such bonds to the highest bidder or bidders, at not less than par, in amounts not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars in any twelve months, when requested so to do by the highway commission. Said bonds shall be coupon bonds, payable to bearer, or, in case of registration, to the registered holder thereof, and shall be serial bonds. Thirty-five thousand dollars of said bonds shall mature annually in numerical order. Said bonds shall be signed by the selectmen and treasurer of the town, and the coupons shall bear facsimile of the signature of the treasurer. The proceeds of the bonds when sold shall be paid into the treasury of the town. In the event of a vacancy in said committee such vacancy shall be filled by the board of estimate and taxation.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 361.]

[259.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE PHOENIX
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Phoenix Insurance Company, incorporated by a resolution approved 1854, as amended, is authorized to insure against loss or damage to any and all kinds of property and valuable interests therein caused by lightning or other electrical disturbances, wind, tornado, cyclone, earthquake, hail, frost, snow, ice, weather or climatic conditions, including excess or deficiency of moisture, flood, rain or drought, rising of the waters of the ocean or its tributaries, bombardment, invasion, insurrection, riot, strikes, sabotage, war, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power and by explosions whether fire

ensues or not, except explosions of steam boilers; against loss or damage by insects, disease or other causes to trees, crops, or other products of the soil; against loss or damage arising from the breakage or leakage of sprinklers, pumps or other apparatus erected for extinguishing fires, or of water pipes, other conduits, or containers, and against accidental injury to or by such sprinklers, pumps, apparatus, water pipes, conduits, or containers, and against loss or damage by water entering through leaks or openings in buildings; and on automobiles, aeroplanes, sea-planes, dirigibles and other air craft, and on any valuable interest therein, against loss or damage from all or any of the hazards of fire, explosion, transportation, collision, and from legal liability for damage to property resulting from the maintenance and use thereof, and from burglary, theft, vandalism, malicious mischief or wrongful conversion, disposal or concealment whether or not held under a conditional sale contract or subject to chattel mortgage; and to effect reinsurances of any risks taken by them. The words "loss or damage" as used herein shall include loss of use and occupancy, loss of rents, rental values and profits and consequential damages.

SEC. 2. Said corporation may make insurance upon vessels, boats, cargoes, freights, goods, wares, merchandise, specie, bullion, jewels, profits, commissions, bank notes, bills of exchange, evidences of debt, securities and other property, bottomry and respondentia interests and every insurance appertaining to or connected with marine risks and risks of transportation and navigation including the risks of lake, river, canal and inland transportation and navigation and in connection with marine, inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also insure any risk whether to person or to property including liability for loss or damage to either, arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance or use of the subject-matter of such primary insurance, and may effect reinsurances of any risks taken by it.

SEC. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized, in any state, territory or country in which it may be admitted to do business, to insure against any and all hazards or risks against which fire or marine insurance companies may at any time be authorized to insure by the laws of such state, territory or country or by the general statutes of this state.

SEC. 4. This act shall become operative as an amendment to the charter of The Phoenix Insurance Company if, within one year after its approval, it shall be accepted at a meeting of said corporation duly warned and held for that purpose and an attested copy of such acceptance filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 327.]

[260.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
BRIDGEPORT ESTABLISHING A JANITORS
AND ENGINEERS RETIREMENT FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the city of Bridgeport a fund known as the "Janitors and Engineers Retirement Fund" for the benefit of janitors and engineers of the public schools of the city, which shall consist of moneys received from the following sources: (1) All bequests or donations made to the fund from private or public sources for the purposes for which said retirement fund is established; (2) the monthly assessments on the salaries of all janitors and engineers, not exceeding one and one-half per centum per annum, as the trustee of said retirement fund shall from time to time determine; provided the amount retained from any salary shall not exceed thirty-two dollars in any year.

SEC. 2. All moneys belonging to said retirement fund shall be deposited with the treasurer of the city of Bridgeport, but the direction, management and investment of said fund shall be under the charge of the board of education who shall be trustee of said fund. All orders on said fund shall be signed by the secretary of the board of education, and countersigned by the president of the board of education.

SEC. 3. From said retirement fund the board of education, as such trustee, by a majority vote, shall from time to time appropriate and cause to be paid such sums as may be needed for the purpose of paying the pensions herein provided.

SEC. 4. The board of education may retire from active service any janitor or engineer who has been continuously in the service of the board of education for a period of twenty-five years and has reached the age of sixty years. The board of education may likewise retire any janitor or engineer who shall have been incapacitated for further service while in the discharge of the duties of his employment.

SEC. 5. Whenever any janitor or engineer shall have been retired as aforesaid, he shall receive from said retirement fund for the remainder of his life, the sum of six hundred dollars per year.

SEC. 6. Any janitor or engineer who may be retired and who has not paid into such fund an amount equal to the amount of said annual pension of six hundred dollars, shall receive such pension, less twenty per centum thereof, which deduction shall be made annually until the amount of such deduction, added to the assessments paid by such pensioner, shall have amounted to six hundred dollars; and thereafter such pensioner shall receive the full amount of six hundred dollars per annum.

SEC. 7. Whenever the employment of any janitor or engineer shall have been terminated, prior to his retirement, for any cause other than his own wilful neglect of duty, such janitor or engineer shall be entitled to receive from said retirement fund the amount which he has contributed thereto by his assessments.

SEC. 8. No retired janitor or engineer shall have the right to pledge, assign, transfer or create and charge any lien upon his annual pension, nor shall it be subject to any process of attachment, nor shall such annual pension be paid to any person except such retired janitor or engineer.

SEC. 9. All janitors or engineers employed by the board of education, to be in charge of the school buildings, shall receive permanent appointment and shall continue in such employment unless removed by the board of education for cause. Before such power of removal shall be exercised the board of education shall cause such janitor or engineer to be summoned to appear and show cause why he should not be dismissed from his office, which summons, with a copy of the charges preferred against him, shall be left with him, or at his usual place of abode, at least six days before the date of the hearing. Any such janitor or engineer so removed may appeal from the order of removal to any judge of the superior court, which appeal shall be made returnable not less than three days nor more more than six days from the date of dismissal, and shall be served on the president or secretary of said board of education at least two days before the time fixed for the hearing on such appeal; and such judge, having given further notice as may be deemed necessary, shall forthwith hear such case de novo, and shall dismiss or retain such appellant as he may deem proper. If the appellant be reinstated by the court he shall receive full pay from the date he was dismissed until restored to duty, subject to the assessments hereinbefore provided. Nothing herein contained shall give any right of appeal from the action of the board of education in retiring any janitor or engineer in the manner hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 10. Said board of education, as such trustee, shall file with the auditor of the city, on or before the first day of January in each year, a statement of said retirement fund, showing the amount thereof, and all payments and disbursements made therefrom, and the securities in which said fund has been invested.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 25.]

[261.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE SCOVILL
MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section three of a resolution incorporating the Scovill Manufacturing Company, approved March 8, 1881, as amended by a resolution approved June 2, 1897, as amended by a resolution, approved May 4, 1899, as amended by a resolution approved April 21, 1903, as amended by an act approved March 28, 1919, is amended to read as follows: Said corporation, in addition to its capital stock hitherto authorized and issued to the amount of five million dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, is authorized to increase the same from time to time to an amount not exceeding in the whole twenty-five million dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and to issue and dispose of the same in such manner as the stockholders shall direct, but no such increased stock shall be issued until the same shall be paid for in cash or its equivalent.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[House Bill No. 946.]

[262.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE BOROUGH OF UNIONVILLE
AND ESTABLISHING THE BOROUGH COURT
OF UNIONVILLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All the electors of this state, inhabitants of the town of Farmington, residing within the territory included within the following limits: Commencing at a point on the north line of Farmington avenue distant twenty feet west of the channel of the brook and distant easterly about twelve hundred feet from Walnut street, thence northerly at right angles to the north line of Farmington avenue a distance of about two hundred feet; thence northwesterly a distance of about fourteen hundred and fifty feet to a point on the west line of Walnut street and distant one thousand feet from Farmington avenue, thence westerly about forty-two hundred feet to a point on the town line between Farmington and Avon, said point being northeasterly about nine hundred feet from the east line of Lovely street, thence westerly following the town line about twenty-four hundred fifty feet to a town monument situated on or about the west line of Huckleberry hill road, thence in a prolongation of said town line westerly about

two hundred feet to the east bank of the Farmington river, thence northerly following the east bank of the Farmington river, about one thousand feet, thence westerly crossing the Farmington river to an intersection with the easterly line of the right of way of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company; thence southerly following said right of way about fourteen hundred feet; thence easterly about three hundred feet to a point on the bank of the Farmington river, said point being distant about five hundred and sixty feet southerly from the southwest corner of the highway bridge crossing the Farmington river, thence southerly and easterly following the west bank of the Farmington river to an intersection with the east bank of Zack's brook and distant about seventeen hundred and fifty feet from the Unionville depot, thence southeasterly about thirty-eight hundred feet to a point on the north line of the highway leading to Burlington, said point being distant two hundred feet westerly from the Plainville road, thence easterly following the north line of highway and crossing the Plainville road a distance of about eight hundred and fifty feet to a point, said point being about six hundred feet from the Plainville road, thence northerly about thirty-eight hundred and twenty feet to the south bank of the Farmington river, the last-described line passing across the railroad where it is distant about twenty-two hundred and fifty feet from the east side of the Unionville depot, thence easterly following the bank of the Farmington river about five hundred and fifty feet; thence northerly crossing the river to point of beginning, said area as outlined approximating six hundred acres, are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic by the name of the borough of Unionville; and by that name they and their successors shall have perpetual succession; shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all courts, and of purchasing, taking by gift, devise or bequest, holding and conveying any real or personal property; shall have all the powers conferred upon boroughs by the general statutes, and all the powers heretofore conferred upon the Unionville Fire District by a resolution approved March 24, 1893, and all amendments thereto; and shall have a common seal which they may alter at pleasure.

SEC. 2. Every elector aforesaid, and every elector of this state who shall hereafter have continuously resided within the limits of said borough for the period of six months, shall be a freeman of said borough. Any freeman of the town of Farmington, not residing within the limits of said borough, but owning in his own right any real or personal property therein which shall be rated in the grand list of said borough at not less than five hundred dollars, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a freeman of said borough, while so owning property subject to taxation, except that he shall not be eligible to any office therein. None other than the persons described in this section shall be freemen of said borough; and such persons shall cease to be such freemen on ceasing to have the qualifications aforesaid.

SEC. 3. The officers of said borough shall be a warden and six burgesses, and shall constitute the borough council and serve without compensation, a clerk, a treasurer, a collector, a borough sheriff, two assessors and two auditors, which officers shall be elected by a plurality of ballots cast by the legal voters of said borough at a meeting to be held each year, and shall hold office until the next annual meeting and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead, except the burgesses who shall be elected for the term and in the manner following: At the first annual meeting, two burgesses shall be elected for three years, two for two years, and two for one year, and annually thereafter two burgesses shall be elected for three years. Every such officer, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties before any proper officer in Hartford county, who shall certify in writing to that fact and deliver such certificate to the clerk of the borough, who shall record the same in a book kept for that purpose. Any officer ceasing to reside within the borough shall cease to hold his office. When any office shall become vacant, such vacancy shall be filled by the warden and burgesses, until the same shall be filled at a meeting of the voters of said borough; if the warden and burgesses shall fail by a majority vote to fill such vacancy within one week, the warden, or in his absence or incapacity, the senior burgess shall fill such vacancy.

SEC. 4. An annual meeting of the legal voters of said borough, for the election of officers, shall be held on the first Monday of May in each year. The notice of the annual meeting shall be signed by the warden or any three burgesses, and shall designate the time and place of such meeting and the officers to be elected at the same, and any other business to be transacted thereat, and such notice shall be posted at least five days before such meeting on the public signpost in said borough. The registrars of voters of the second voting district of the town of Farmington, for the purposes of this act, shall be the registrars of said borough. At least six days before each annual meeting for the election of officers, said registrars shall prepare and deliver to the clerk of the borough, a perfected list of the names, arranged alphabetically, of the persons entitled to vote at such meeting, to be used as a check list at such meeting; and no person shall vote at such meeting whose name does not appear upon such list, provided the name of any elector omitted therefrom by clerical error or mistake may be added thereto on election day by the registrars of said borough. The ballots cast at any meeting of such voters shall be counted by such freemen of said borough as may be chosen for the purpose by the registrars of said borough. The clerk of the borough shall check the voting list. Whenever at any meeting for the election of officers a candidate for any office shall fail of election by reason of a tie vote, a new election shall be held one week following the day of said meeting at the same place and hour. At all meetings for the election of officers the polls shall

remain open from twelve o'clock noon until four o'clock in the afternoon. The provisions of the general statutes relating to the conduct of electors' meetings, and the duties of the moderators and other election officers, shall, so far as they are applicable, govern the conduct and define the powers of moderators and other officers of electors' meetings in said borough, and the disposition, after counting, of the ballots cast, and the deposit, after election, of the ballot boxes used; and, so far as applicable, said statutes are made a part of this act. On the result of the count of the ballots being declared to the presiding officer, he shall publicly announce the names of the successful candidates for the several offices, and shall forthwith deliver to the clerk a copy of the returns, to be by said clerk recorded; and thereupon he shall declare the meeting adjourned to a place, day and hour named by him for the transaction of business other than the election of officers, which adjourned meeting may be further adjourned at the pleasure of the meeting to any other time or place within the borough.

SEC. 5. Special meetings of the borough may, and, upon the written petition of twenty electors of said borough, shall be called at any time by the warden or any three burgesses; and notice of the time and place and the object of said meeting shall be given in the same manner required in case of annual meetings. Not less than twenty legal voters shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any special meeting of the voters of said borough, and if that number be not present, the warden, or, in his absence, the clerk may adjourn such meeting to such other time at the same place as he may designate. All special meetings called for the election of officers shall be conducted in the same manner as herein provided for annual meetings. Whenever the vote is by ballot at any special meeting, the voting list used shall be the one prepared and used at the next preceding annual meeting. The presiding officer shall appoint suitable persons to attend the ballot boxes and to count the votes at such meetings, and the clerk shall check the voting list.

SEC. 6. The warden and burgesses, constituting the borough council, shall hold their first regular meeting in each year at eight o'clock on the evening of the day following the annual meeting, and thereafter on the first Tuesday of each succeeding month at such hour and place as they may from time to time designate, and such regular meetings may be adjourned from time to time as ordered. Special meetings of said council may be called at any time by the warden and any three burgesses, notice of which shall be given by the clerk depositing in the Unionville postoffice, postage paid, a written or printed notice thereof addressed to the warden and each burgess, at least twenty-four hours before such meeting. Any meeting at which all members of the council are present and no notice or insufficient notice has been given shall be a legal meeting. A majority of the warden and burgesses shall constitute a quorum at any meeting; each burgess shall have one

vote, except as hereinafter provided; a majority of the burgesses present and voting at any meeting shall be necessary to pass any act or resolution, except in case of a tie vote as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 7. The warden of said borough shall be the chief executive officer; he shall preside at all meetings of the freemen of the borough, and at all meetings of the warden and burgesses, and at all meetings where he shall so preside he shall vote to dissolve a tie when necessary, except in the election of officers of the borough at a meeting of the voters of the borough, but shall not otherwise vote, except in the election of officers as aforesaid. He shall have power to enforce all laws and ordinances, and to preserve the peace in said borough, and may suppress all riots and tumults, with force if necessary, and may at all times require the aid of any sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, borough sheriff, watchman or policeman or all of them together, with such other aid as he may deem necessary to the proper discharge of his duties. He shall countersign all orders for money passed by the borough council and drawn by the clerk upon the treasurer, and no such order shall be paid unless so countersigned. It shall be his duty to recommend for adoption suitable measures in regard to the police, the security, health, cleanliness and general well-being of the borough and the betterment of its government and finances as he may deem expedient. He shall communicate to the freemen at each annual meeting a general statement of the state and condition of the borough in relation to its government, finances, expenditures and improvements, which report and recommendations shall be entered upon the records of the borough by the clerk, and be published in such manner as the freemen shall order. In case of a vacancy in the office of warden, or his absence or inability to perform the duties of his office, the senior burgess, and in the case of the inability of the latter, the second senior burgess shall act in the place of the warden during such inability, or until another person shall be elected warden, and, so acting as warden such burgess shall have all the authority conferred upon the warden by the provisions of this act, and the acts of such burgess, while so acting, shall have the same effect as like acts done by the warden, and such temporary performance of the duties of warden shall in no wise disqualify such burgess from performing any of his duties as burgess, and in meetings of the borough council such burgess while acting as warden may vote as a burgess, and in addition thereto have a casting vote in case of a tie.

SEC. 8. The warden and burgesses, at their first meeting after each annual meeting, shall by ballot designate and choose from the burgesses one of their number to be the senior burgess for the ensuing year, and one to be second senior burgess during said term.

SEC. 9. The clerk of said borough shall be likewise the clerk of the borough council, and act at all meetings of said council; he shall make and keep a record of the acts and proceedings of all such meet-

ings; he shall have the custody of all books, papers and documents belonging to said borough and said borough council, except such as the treasurer is required to keep; he shall draw all orders on the treasurer for the payment of money when required by the board or by the electors at any legal meeting; he shall post and serve all notices in cases required herein or by said borough council, and shall perform such other clerical duty as may be required by said borough council or by the electors at any meeting. All books, papers and documents so kept by the clerk shall be open to the inspection of any inhabitant of the borough at all reasonable times. In the absence of the clerk, a clerk pro tempore may be appointed by the warden, who shall have all the powers and be subject to all the duties of the clerk.

SEC. 10. The treasurer shall have and exercise the same relative powers and duties as a town treasurer; he shall pay out money from the borough treasury only upon the written order of the clerk, countersigned by the warden, or the warden's substitute as hereinbefore provided. He shall at each annual business meeting make a detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements of money during the preceding fiscal year, and of the monetary condition of the treasury, having previously given reasonable time for the auditor to verify his accounts, and such accounts and statement, having been duly audited, shall be recorded and published in like manner as the annual statement of the warden. The treasurer's books shall be open to the inspection of the inhabitants of the borough at any reasonable time and place.

SEC. 11. The collector shall collect all rate bills made out by the borough council for all taxes laid pursuant to the provisions of this act, and any justice of the peace for Hartford county shall, on application of said collector or of the borough council, issue a warrant for the collection of the same, and the collector shall have all the powers of a town collector, and shall be accountable to the borough council in the same manner and to the same extent as town collectors are accountable to the selectmen; and he shall pay over to the treasurer all collections made by him as soon as made.

SEC. 12. The borough sheriff shall have the same powers and authority within the limits of the borough as the sheriffs of counties have within such counties, and shall be subject to the same liabilities, and he shall perform such other duties as may be imposed by the ordinances of the borough or the laws of the state.

SEC. 13. The auditors shall annually examine and verify the accounts of all the officers of the borough, and shall make a written report thereon at the annual meeting.

SEC. 14. The treasurer, collector and borough sheriff shall, if required by the borough council, give sufficient bonds to the borough conditioned upon the faithful performance of their respective duties.

SEC. 15. The freemen of said borough may, at any meeting warned for the purpose, lay a tax upon the polls and ratable real and personal

property within the limits of the borough for such purposes as are herein authorized and to meet all necessary expenses, and all assessments made as herein authorized; provided, if said freemen shall refuse or neglect to lay necessary taxes in the manner aforesaid, then the borough council may make a rate bill upon the grand list of said borough then last completed, for such sum as is necessary, and cause the same to be collected as if laid by the freemen. The assessors shall, when required by the warden and after taking the oath prescribed by law for assessors of towns, make an assessment list of all the polls and taxable property in said borough limits according as it may appear by the grand list of the town of Farmington then last made and completed, and the list so prepared shall correspond in description, amount and value of property with said town grand list. When real property so entered in the grand list of said town is situated partly within and partly without said borough limits, the assessors of the borough shall assess the value of such part lying wholly within the borough limits and set the same and their valuation thereof in said borough grand list. When the title to any real property within the borough limits has changed ownership between the completion of said town grand list and the time of laying a borough tax, the borough assessors shall value such real property in the name of the owner at the time of laying the borough tax, and shall deduct the same from the assessment of the person in whose name it stood in said town grand list. If, between the time of the completion of said town grand list and the time of making the borough grand list, any person or corporation liable or having property liable to taxation shall have become a resident of the borough, or if any person, corporation or property, liable to taxation therein, shall have been omitted from the grand list of the town, such persons, corporations and property so omitted shall be assessed in said borough grand list. Before final completion of said list, the assessors shall hold a public session, notice thereof being first posted on the signpost in said borough at least seven days before said session, to hear all persons interested in said list. When the said list shall have been completed, signed and sworn to by said assessors, they shall deliver the same to the clerk of the borough, and they shall be entitled to receive such reasonable compensation for their services as the borough council may direct. It shall be the duty of the clerk to prepare a rate bill, subject to the approval of the borough council, apportioning to each owner of property his proportionate share of the tax so laid, which rate bill, when prepared, he shall deliver to the collector; and the tax so laid shall be a lien upon the real property so assessed, and the collector may file a lien upon any such real property to secure the payment of the tax in the same manner and subject to the same regulations as are provided by law for the collection of town taxes.

SEC. 16. The borough council shall constitute a board of relief, and fifteen days after said list shall have been returned, shall give public

notice of its meeting, posted upon the public signpost in said borough at least five days before holding the same, and shall have the same powers and authority and shall proceed in the same manner in relation to said list as boards of relief of towns in relation to the lists and assessments of towns.

SEC. 17. The borough council shall have power to make, alter, repeal and enforce such by-laws, orders, ordinances and enactments, as it shall deem suitable and proper, not inconsistent with this act or contrary to the laws of this state, for the following purposes: To manage, regulate and control the finances and property, real and personal, of said borough, and to regulate the sale, conveyance and transfer of said property; to regulate the mode of assessment and collection of taxes for borough purposes not otherwise herein provided for; to provide for the due execution and delivery of deeds, grants and releases of borough property, of contracts and other evidences of indebtedness issued by said borough; to provide the method of keeping the accounts of said borough, and of adjusting claims against the same; to regulate and fix compensation of all subordinate officers and employees of the borough, and prescribe the duties of said officers and employees when not expressly defined by this act; to punish the resistance, hindrance, obstruction or abuse of officers of said borough in the discharge of their duties; to preserve peace and order, and to prevent and quell riots and disorderly assemblages; to prevent vice and immorality, to suppress gambling houses, houses of ill-fame, houses resorted to for the purpose of prostitution and lewdness and disorderly houses; to prevent assemblages of persons on the sidewalks to the obstruction, hindrance or annoyance of the public; to protect said borough from fire, and from the danger of the same; to organize, maintain and regulate a fire department and fire apparatus; to locate and establish wells, cisterns or water works for use in case of fire or for domestic use; to erect and keep in repair all buildings necessary for the use of the fire department; to purchase a fire engine, hose carriage and other apparatus for use in case of fire, and to make rules and regulations for the safe-keeping and preservation of the same, and for the protection and preservation of wells, cisterns or water works which may be established; to license, regulate or prohibit the manufacture, keeping for sale or use of fireworks, torpedoes, fire-crackers, gunpowder, petroleum, dynamite or other explosive or inflammable substance, and the conveyance thereof through any portion of the borough; to regulate the discharge of firearms in said borough; to regulate the erection of lamp-posts; to provide for the public lighting of the streets in said borough, and to protect the same from injury; to regulate all parades and processions, public assemblages, shows and music in the public streets; to regulate the speed of animals and vehicles in said streets; to prescribe the width, grade and kind of sidewalks, curbs and gutters to be made and laid in said borough, and to compel the making and laying of the same; to compel the owners

of the land and buildings in said borough to remove the snow and ice from the sidewalks in front of such land and buildings; to keep such sidewalks safe for public travel and free from all obstructions; to regulate and prohibit the depositing of any building material on any sidewalk, square or other public place; to regulate or prohibit the running of animals at large in said borough; to regulate the planting and removal and to provide for the protection and preservation of trees in the public streets; to keep the streets and all public places quiet from all undue noise, and to prohibit the crying of newspapers upon the streets of said borough on Sunday or at any unreasonable hour; to provide for the health of said borough and to prevent and summarily abate every kind of nuisance; to regulate the use of cesspools, drains, sewers and privies, and to regulate and prevent the location of piggens or deposits of filth and rubbish in said borough; to compel the removal from any place in said borough of all nuisances injurious to health or offensive or annoying to the public, at the expense of the owner of the premises where such nuisance exists; to regulate the removal of any offensive manure or other substance, swill or nightsoil through the streets of the borough; to regulate the carrying on within the borough of any kind of trade, manufacture or business prejudicial to public health, or dangerous to or constituting an unreasonable annoyance to those living or owning property in the vicinity; to prohibit the sale of meat, vegetables, fish, produce, fruits or food of any kind when the same is in such condition as to endanger public health; to regulate the naming of streets; to establish building lines and to regulate the construction of buildings; to license and regulate sports, exhibitions, public amusements and performances, billiard and bowling saloons within said borough; to prohibit and prevent the depositing of any filth, garbage or rubbish in any of the gardens, cemeteries and public and private enclosures; to protect, preserve and care for public burying grounds, and to prevent the desecration thereof, and to regulate the burial of the dead therein; to prevent cruelty to animals and restrain inhumane sports; to regulate and prescribe the mode of conducting all borough elections and the manner of warning borough meetings and meetings of the warden and burgesses, and the time and place of holding the same when those matters are not expressly regulated by this act; to provide the mode for removal of any officer for cause; to provide places for holding meetings in said borough; and to prescribe penalties and fines for a violation of any by-laws, orders, ordinances or enactments.

SEC. 18. No by-law or ordinance shall take effect until fifteen days after its passage, or until the same has been published in a newspaper published in, or having a circulation in, the town of Farmington once a week for two successive weeks, and posted for at least five days on the public signpost in said borough. No by-law shall impose a greater fine or penalty than one hundred dollars. A certificate of the clerk of the borough of such due publication and posting of any by-law or ordinance

shall be prima facie evidence of such publication and posting.

SEC. 19. Said borough may appropriate and expend such sums of money as may be necessary from time to time to provide and pay for land for a suitable site for a public library, situated in such borough, and for the erection of a building on such land; or may succeed to and possess and exercise all and singular the rights, privileges and franchises of any existing public library situated in said borough. Such library may be or become the property of a corporation without capital stock, or may be the property of such borough, but in either event it shall be free to the inhabitants of such borough; and such borough may appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary from time to time to maintain and support such library.

SEC. 20. Said borough shall have authority and control over the opening, closing, alignment, widening, grading and cleaning of all highways, streets, sidewalks, public squares and all parts of the same, within its limits; and no person shall open within said limits any public way except under and by virtue of the authority of the borough council. The borough council may open and lay out new roads, streets, public squares and walks; may grade, alter, extend and enlarge the same; may discontinue such roads and streets and public walks; may enclose and improve any public grounds within said borough; may establish names for all streets and public places; may provide for the suitable lighting of all streets and public places, and for such purpose may contract with any person or corporation for supplying such light; and may make and cause to be executed all such orders relating thereto as it may judge proper. Said council at the expense of said borough may level, raise, pave or flag any and all street crossings within said borough. Nothing herein shall be held to authorize said borough to close, change the grade, or direct the form of construction of any trunk line or other highway within the limits of said borough, the construction or maintenance of which has been or may hereafter be assumed by the state.

SEC. 21. Before the borough council shall determine to open and lay out any public road, street, walk or square, or to alter, extend or enlarge the same, or to discontinue or exchange any highway or street in said borough, it shall cause a notice, signed by the warden or by the clerk, describing in general terms such proposed layout, extension, alteration, discontinuance or exchange, and specifying a time and place when and where all persons whose lands are proposed to be taken therefor may appear and be heard before said borough council in relation thereto; said notice shall be posted on the signpost, and a copy thereof, attested by the clerk, shall be served by the borough sheriff or by the clerk upon the person entitled to receive the same, or such notice may be deposited in the Unionville postoffice, postage paid, enclosed in an envelope addressed to such person at his last known place of residence, at least ten days before the time fixed in said notice for such hearing. At the time and place mentioned in said notice, and at any meeting adjourned there-

from, the said borough council shall hear all of the parties in interest who may appear and desire to be heard in relation thereto. If, after such hearing, said borough council shall resolve to open, lay out, alter, extend, enlarge, exchange or discontinue any street, walk, highway or public square, it shall appoint a committee of its own number whose duty it shall be to make such layout, alteration, extension, exchange or discontinuance, and report in writing its doings to said borough council, which report shall embody a descriptive survey of such street, highway, walk or public square, as laid out or designated. If said report shall be accepted and approved by said borough council, and said council and the parties cannot agree as to the damages and benefits to be assessed, the warden, or, in case of his absence or inability to act, the senior burgess of said borough, shall appoint three judicious and disinterested freeholders of Hartford county, who shall not be residents of said borough, to appraise the damages and assess the benefits, as the case may be, sustained by or accruing to any person or persons from the taking of such lands for the public use as aforesaid, or for such layout, alteration, extension, exchange or discontinuance; said freeholders shall be sworn to the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of said appointment, and a certificate of such appointment and the administration of said oath shall be made under the hand of the officer appointing them and administering said oath, and recorded in the records of said borough.

Sec. 22. Before making any such appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits, said freeholders shall give notice to all persons interested of the time and place when and where they will meet for the purpose of attending to the duties of their appointment, which meeting shall be held within said borough; said notice shall be deemed legal and sufficient, if signed by the said freeholders, or a majority of them, and served, published or posted in the same manner as is provided in the preceding section. Said freeholders shall meet at the time and place designated in said notice, and at any time to which they may adjourn, and shall hear all parties in interest who may appear before them; and shall thereupon ascertain and determine what person or persons will be damaged by such taking of such land, or by such layout or alteration, and the amount over and above any special benefit such person or persons may receive therefrom; also what other person or persons owning or interested in lands contiguous to or in the vicinity of the proposed improvement will be specially benefited by such taking of such land, or by such layout or alteration, and the amount thereof over and above any damage such person or persons may receive therefrom; also what other person or persons owning or interested as above will receive an equal amount of damages and benefits thereby; and such freeholders shall report the amount of damages and benefits thus ascertained and determined and the names of the persons to whom the same respectively appertain and belong, with a general description of the property in

respect to which benefits are assessed, to the borough council, who may accept said report, or return the same to the freeholders for reconsideration and correction; and upon the acceptance of said report, the clerk of the borough shall record the same in the records of the warden and burgesses; provided the whole amount of benefits assessed for any particular improvement shall not exceed the whole amount of damages appraised on account of the same, together with the cost of completing said improvement, as estimated and reported by said freeholders. When the amount of the damages appraised for any such improvement shall exceed the amount of the benefits assessed, the excess of damages may be paid out of the borough treasury by order of the borough council. Said council shall cause a notice, signed by the warden or clerk of said borough, containing the names of the persons thus assessed, with the amount of their respective assessments, to be served, published or posted in the same manner as is provided in the preceding section, and such notice so served, published or posted shall be deemed legal notice to all persons interested in such assessments, and the same shall thereupon become due and payable. The borough council shall order the damages thus assessed and determined to be paid to such person out of the treasury of said borough; provided, if any person shall refuse or neglect to receive the amount found due and ordered to be paid to him, such sum shall be deposited in the treasury of the borough, to be paid to such person entitled to receive it, when he shall apply for the same, and shall in no event bear any interest before demand. Said survey shall be signed by the warden or senior burgess, and entered upon the said borough records, and upon the town records of the town of Farmington.

SEC. 23. The assessments for benefits so made shall be and remain a lien upon the land upon which they are respectively made, and shall take precedence of all liens or incumbrances thereon, except taxes; provided such lien shall not continue for a longer period than sixty days after the last publication of notice, unless within that period a certificate signed by the warden or the clerk of said borough, describing the premises upon which the lien exists, and the amount of such lien, shall be lodged with the town clerk of the town of Farmington; and such lien shall cease to exist when a certificate to that effect, signed by the warden or clerk, shall be lodged with said town clerk. Such certificates shall be recorded with deeds of land. Any such assessment and all expenses that may result from the same may be collected by warrant under the hand of the warden of said borough, in the same manner as town taxes are by law collected, or by civil action in the name of said borough, or by foreclosure, or by any other appropriate remedy. Interest at the rate established by law shall be collectible on all such assessments from the time they were ordered to be paid, and all liens and civil actions for the security and collection of such assessments shall be effectual for the collection of such interest as well as the principal.

SEC. 24. Any person aggrieved by the appraisal of damages by

said freeholders caused by the layout, alteration, extension, exchange or discontinuance of any street, highway, walk or public square may, within thirty days after notice, as aforesaid, for said appraisal of damages, apply to any judge of the superior court for a reappraisal of such damage, giving reasonable notice in writing to the clerk of said borough of the time and place of such application and the name of the judge; and said judge shall appoint three judicious and disinterested freeholders of Hartford county, who shall reappraise such damages, and make report of their doings to the superior court in and for Hartford county, which shall have authority, for any cause which it may deem sufficient, to set aside said report and order another appraisal to be made, or make any other order therein. If, upon such application, the damages shall be increased, and the same be approved by said court, the costs of such application shall be paid by said borough, otherwise by the applicant.

SEC. 25. It shall be the duty of the town of Farmington annually to appropriate and pay to said borough moneys sufficient for the repairs of the highways within said borough; and it shall annually be the duty of the selectmen of said town, together with a committee of an equal number of the burgesses of said borough, to determine, by a majority vote of the whole number, a certain proportionate sum of the moneys collected or appropriated by said town for the repairs of highways to be paid by said town to said borough for the construction, maintenance and repairs of the streets, highways and roads in said borough; and in case said selectmen and burgesses cannot agree by a majority vote, as aforesaid, a county commissioner of Hartford county, residing nearest to said borough, but not in said town, shall be called in to give a deciding vote as to the sum to be paid to said borough. The sum thus appropriated shall be paid into the treasury of said borough by said town, and said town shall thereupon not be obliged to make or repair any street or highway within the limits of said borough for the year next ensuing; provided the town of Farmington shall be liable to make and repair all bridges in said borough to the same extent as if said appropriation had not been made and paid to said borough, and as if this act had not been passed; provided, when said sum is paid, as aforesaid, by said town into the treasury of said borough, the town shall in no way be liable on account of any defect existing in any of the highways in said borough for the year next ensuing.

SEC. 26. The borough council may, from time to time, order the owner or owners of lands fronting on any street or highway in said borough, at the expense of such owner or owners, to make and lay sidewalks, curbs and gutters, of such width and kind and at such grade as said borough council shall designate and order, and may limit such time as it may deem reasonable for the carrying out of such order, notice of which shall be given by the clerk of said borough by leaving a true and attested copy of such order with or at the usual place of abode of

such owner or owners, within five days after the passage of said order, and if such owner be a nonresident of said borough, a true and attested copy of said order shall be deposited by said clerk in the postoffice of Unionville, postage paid, addressed to such owner at his place of residence, if the same be known, and a like copy be left with his agent, or with the person having charge of or occupying said premises, which shall be due and legal notice to said owner of such order. If any such owner or owners shall refuse or neglect to comply with such order within the time specified therein, the said borough council may execute said order in the manner therein prescribed, at the expense of the borough; and the expense incurred in executing such order shall, from the time when such expense begins to be incurred, be and continue a lien upon the land in front of which such sidewalk is made or laid, in favor of said borough, and such sum may be collected and secured by lien or otherwise in the same manner as is provided in section twenty-three of this act.

SEC. 27. The borough council may lay out, construct, alter, extend and repair sewers and drains, whenever it deems the same necessary, through, under and along any street, highway or public ground, or through, under and along any private ground within said borough, on making suitable compensation therefor; and may assess a reasonable portion of the cost of such sewer or drain upon the property of the person or persons whom it may determine to be benefited thereby. Said borough council may extend any common sewer or drain outside of the limits of said borough for the purpose of an outfall, and for such purpose may take and use any land, street, highway or private property outside said borough limits; provided, in case said borough council cannot agree with the owner of any property so taken or affected, as to the amount of benefits accruing to him or damages sustained by him by reason of the construction of said sewer or drain, then said damages and benefits shall be assessed in the manner hereinbefore provided when land situated within the borough limits is taken for public use. In assessing benefits under the provisions of this section, such benefits shall not be limited to property contiguous to such improvement, but benefits may be assessed upon any person or corporation whose property is benefited by the construction of such drain or sewer, or a reasonable portion of the expense of said improvement may be paid from the borough treasury, according to the judgment and discretion of the borough council. The provisions of sections twenty-two, twenty-three and twenty-four of this act governing the assessment for damages on opening, altering and extending highways, and the creating and discharging of liens for the sums assessed, and the recovery and collection of the same by warrant, civil action or otherwise, shall apply to the construction of sewers and drains, to the same extent as if said provisions formed a part of this section, and the same right of appeal to any person or party aggrieved is given as is provided in section twenty-four in case of a person aggrieved

for the reasons therein set forth, and such aggrieved person or party may pursue the same course as is provided in said section twenty-four.

SEC. 28. No person shall construct or maintain any drain or sewer of any kind upon or from any premises in said borough, or shall use or permit to be used any such drain so as to flow water or other matter on to the surface of any street or highway or into any stream within said borough, without the permission of said borough council; and every person who shall construct any drain or sewer contrary to the provisions of this act shall be fined seven dollars for each offense; and every person who shall, on premises under his control, permit to be used any such drain or sewer so used shall be fined two dollars for each day in which said drain or sewer is used or permitted to be used.

SEC. 29. The said borough shall have, possess and exercise all and singular the rights, privileges, franchises and powers heretofore granted to the Unionville fire district by resolution of the general assembly, approved March 24, 1893, and all acts amendatory thereof, in so far as such rights, privileges, franchises and powers are not repugnant to the provisions of this act, and, upon the qualification of the officers of said borough first elected, the officials of said fire district are authorized and empowered to make, execute and deliver to said borough, in the name of said fire district, all such deeds, instruments and writings as may be necessary to convey and transfer to said borough, and to vest in it the title to all of the property of said Unionville fire district, and thereupon said borough shall be liable for and assume all of the obligations of said fire district and shall succeed to the franchises and rights of said fire district.

SEC. 30. The borough council shall constitute and be a board of health in and for said borough, and shall have and exercise all power and authority given by law to the boards of health of towns and of the several boroughs in this state, which it shall judge necessary for the prevention of the spread of disease and the promotion of the health of the inhabitants of said borough, and may make and cause to be executed all orders which it may deem necessary for such purpose, and may appoint committees to carry the same into effect, and all such orders and regulations of said board shall be posted for three days upon the signpost in said borough. When any person or persons shall neglect or refuse to obey any order of said board of health, or of the committee by it appointed, upon being duly notified of such order to remove any filthy, putrid or noxious substances which shall be deemed injurious to the health or cleanliness of said borough, the warden or any of the burgesses, of said committee, may cause the same to be removed at the expense of such person, and for such purpose may enter upon and into all lands and buildings in said borough; and the expense of such removal may be recovered against such person by any proper action.

SEC. 31. Said board of health shall have power and authority by itself or by a committee by it appointed, consisting of any freemen of

said borough residing therein, to inquire into the sanitary condition of any property fronting on any street where a public sewer is laid; and if said board of health finds that such property for any cause cannot be used for a privy vault, cesspool or other receptacle for the disposition of filth and drainage on such property, without danger to the public health, or without being offensive to the occupants of any property in that locality, it may issue an order forbidding the having or maintaining of any privy, privy vault, cesspool or other place for the deposit of filth or drainage on said premises unless such place for deposit be connected with such public sewer in such manner as effectually to remove or carry off such filth, deposit or drainage; and it may order the owner or owners of all such vaults, cesspools and drains to connect the same with the public sewer within such reasonable time as it shall designate in such order; provided, before any such finding and order shall be made, the owner, or if the owner shall be absent, the agent having charge of such property, or if there be no agent, then the occupants of such premises, shall be duly notified to appear before said board and show cause why such finding and order should not be made. Every owner, agent and occupant who shall refuse or neglect to comply with the orders and decrees of said board made under this section shall be fined two dollars for each day said orders and decrees shall be neglected and disobeyed, which fine shall be an addition to the liability to an action to recover the expense of removing and suppression of nuisances, as provided in section thirty.

Sec. 32. The borough council shall have full power and authority to organize and maintain a fire department in said borough; to procure and maintain suitable and proper apparatus, and land and buildings therefor; to appoint officers of said fire department; to make and cause to be executed by-laws, rules and regulations for the good government of said fire department, or of any engine company, hose company and hook and ladder company or companies, or any person or persons in said fire department; to enlist a sufficient number of men to fill the same and to discharge any such enlisted men for cause; said company or companies, when enlisted and organized, may appoint company officers, subject to the approval of said borough council; may fill all vacancies in their numbers by voluntary enlistments from time to time as occasion may require, and may make all necessary by-laws and rules for their own government, which enlistments and by-laws shall be subject to the approval of said borough council. The said borough shall succeed to and have, possess and exercise all and singular the rights, privileges, powers and franchise heretofore granted to The Unionville Fire District by the charter granted by the general assembly and approved March 24, 1893, and all amendments thereof, in so far as such rights, privileges and powers are not repugnant to the provisions of this act, and, upon the qualification of the officers of said borough first elected, the directors of said The Unionville Fire District are authorized and empowered to

deliver to said borough in the name of said fire district all of the property of the fire department of said district, and upon the execution and delivery of proper muniments of title to all real estate, and the delivery to said borough of all personal property, all of the rights and privileges of said fire district shall be merged and vested in said borough, and thereafter said Unionville fire district shall cease to exist as a separate organization. In order to provide a sufficient supply of water for the use of said borough in extinguishing fires and for other public purposes, the said borough council may contract therefor with any person or persons or with any existing corporation formed for the business of supplying water, or said borough may acquire by purchase the lands, property or franchise of any such corporation, and shall thereupon succeed to all the rights, powers and privileges thereunder.

SEC. 33. The borough council shall have the sole and exclusive care, custody and control of the lockup for the detention of persons under arrest, now established within said borough limits, and shall maintain the same in a good state of repair suitable to its purpose at the cost and expense of the borough; but all expenses incurred in making arrests and holding persons in custody shall be paid, as heretofore, by the town of Farmington. Said borough council may appoint special constables and policemen, who shall have full power, within said borough, to arrest, without previous complaint or warrant, all persons guilty of drunkenness, disorderly conduct or breach of the public peace, and such other offenders as constables and policemen may lawfully apprehend. Any person who may hinder, obstruct, resist or abuse the warden or acting warden in the execution of the duties of his office shall, upon conviction, pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or be imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding six months, or both, at the discretion of the court having jurisdiction of the offense; and any person, being of sufficient age and ability, who shall unreasonably refuse to assist the warden or acting warden in the execution of his office in suppressing riots, tumults and breaches of the peace, when thereto commanded by such officer, shall, upon conviction, pay a fine not exceeding ten dollars, or be imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding thirty days, or both, at the discretion of the court having jurisdiction of said offense.

SEC. 34. All fines and penalties imposed by the by-laws and ordinances of said borough or by this act may be recovered in any proper action brought in the name of the borough before any court having jurisdiction, for the use and benefit of the borough; and the violation of any such by-law or ordinance imposing a fine shall be a misdemeanor, and shall be prosecuted in the same manner as other crimes and misdemeanors. The borough council may appoint any person to prosecute and bring action for the violation of any by-law, ordinance or order by it made, and may designate the mode by which such prosecutions and actions shall be conducted.

SEC. 35. The said borough is hereby authorized to issue its bonds for the purpose of opening, extending and improving its roads, streets and highways, and also for the purpose of extending and improving the present system of sewerage therein; and for the purpose of acquiring by purchase, the land, property, plant and franchise of The Unionville Fire District. Said bonds shall be called "highway bonds," "sewer bonds" and "water bonds," respectively, according to the purpose for which they were issued, and the proceeds thereof shall be applied solely to such purposes respectively. Said bonds shall not exceed, in the aggregate amount thereof, five per centum of the total of the assessment list of the borough at the date of issuing the bonds; they may or may not carry coupons, and may be registered when desired; they shall be for such sum or sums for principal, payable at such time not later than twenty years after date, and bearing such rate of interest, not exceeding five per centum per annum, and authenticated in such form, and negotiated upon such terms, not inconsistent with this act, and in such manner, as the borough council may determine; the principal of said bonds shall be payable in installments of one-twentieth of the amount at any given date, issued for a period of twenty years from said date. Such bonds when executed in the manner so determined, and issued and delivered by said borough by its duly appointed officers and agents, shall be obligatory upon said borough and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor of said bonds, and said bonds shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 36. The inhabitants of the town of Farmington living within the limits of said borough shall to all intents and purposes be and remain citizens of said town, entitled to all its privileges and subject to all its burdens in the same manner and to the same extent as if this act had not been passed.

SEC. 37. The borough council may make, establish and adopt forms of orders and notices to be used under this act, and in enforcing the by-laws and ordinances of said borough, and the same shall be held appropriate and sufficient.

SEC. 38. No contract or agreement shall be valid or binding on said borough wherein the warden or any burgess thereof shall have any pecuniary interest, directly or indirectly; provided this section shall not apply to any contract for the supplying of either light or water for use in said borough.

SEC. 39. The borough council first elected shall, as soon as practicable, procure an accurate survey to be made of the territorial limits of said borough, following the lines described in section one of this act as nearly as practicable, and an accurate description thereof, to be signed by the warden and burgesses, or a majority of them, and recorded on the records of said borough, and when so recorded such description shall indicate the legal limits of said borough. Said description shall also

be recorded upon the land records of the town of Farmington by the clerk of said town.

SEC. 40. There is established within the town of Farmington a court, to be called and styled the borough court of Unionville, which shall have general jurisdiction and cognizance of all crimes, misdemeanors and nuisances committed within the second voting district of said town, the punishment for which may be a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, or imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months, or both; also for the recovery of all fines, penalties and forfeitures for the violation of any of the laws of this state or of the charter, by-laws or ordinances of the borough of Unionville within said town, or of the by-laws or regulations of said town of Farmington, when committed within the limits of said voting district, wherein the fine, penalty or forfeiture does not exceed in amount the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars or imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months or both. Said court shall have all the jurisdiction, powers and authority now belonging to justices of the peace in said town, in all matters of a criminal form or nature arising within said voting district, and may proceed thereon in the same manner as such justices of the peace may now do; said court shall have the power to proceed to trial, render judgment and grant warrant of execution to carry into effect and to enforce any order or judgment of said court; and shall have power concurrently with the court of probate for the district of Farmington to commit boys to the Connecticut School for Boys, girls to The Connecticut Industrial School for Girls, and children to temporary homes for dependent and neglected children, under the same provisions and limitations as justices of the peace in the several towns and as courts of probate in the several probate districts may now do under the existing provisions of law in such cases; provided the accused may in all cases of conviction by said court, except for the crime of drunkenness and intoxication, appeal to the next superior court for Hartford county having criminal jurisdiction, and upon such appeal said accused shall give a recognizance, with surety, to the state in such sum as said borough court shall determine, conditioned that said accused shall appear before said superior court to answer to the complaint and abide the order and judgment of said superior court thereon, and on the failure of said accused to give such recognizance, said borough court shall order and cause said accused to be committed to the county jail in Hartford county until the next session of said superior court having criminal jurisdiction, and until he shall be discharged by due course of law.

SEC. 41. Said borough court shall have exclusive jurisdiction and cognizance of and hear all complaints for criminal offenses committed within the second voting district of said town of Farmington, and in all cases in which punishment may be greater or less than a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars and imprisonment in a common jail or work-

house for six months, said borough court may try the same, and if, in the opinion of said court, no greater punishment ought to be imposed it may render judgment therein for a fine of not more than two hundred and fifty dollars and an imprisonment for not more than six months, as aforesaid; but in all cases in which, in the opinion of said borough court, such offense is of so aggravated a nature as to require a greater punishment than is within the jurisdiction of said court, and in all cases which are beyond the jurisdiction of said borough court and in which probable cause is found by said borough court for the support of the complaint, said borough court shall, if the offense is bailable, order the accused to enter into a recognizance, with surety, to the state in such sum as said borough court shall determine, conditioned that the accused shall appear before the next superior court having criminal jurisdiction, to be holden within and for the county of Hartford, to answer to the complaint and abide the order and judgment of said superior court thereon; and on the failure of the accused to enter into such recognizance or if the offense complained of be not bailable, said accused shall be committed by said borough court to the county jail in and for said county until the next session of said superior court having criminal jurisdiction, and until he be discharged by due course of law.

SEC. 42. Said borough court shall be held to be a police court, and said borough court and the judge thereof shall have all the powers in such cases within its jurisdiction and cognizance, as aforesaid, by law conferred upon police courts and the judges thereof.

SEC. 43. No grand juror or other prosecuting officer, except the county health officer, shall make complaint of any criminal matter arising in the second voting district of the town of Farmington except to said borough court; nor shall any justice of the peace take cognizance of any criminal complaint for acts committed in said second voting district, unless when acting as judge of said borough court, except as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 44. There shall be a judge of said borough court who shall be a resident of the second voting district of the town of Farmington, to be appointed by the general assembly; he shall take the oath provided for judicial officers, and shall hold said office for two years commencing on the first Monday of July next following his appointment, and until another is appointed and qualified in his stead. There shall be a deputy judge of said court, appointed by the general assembly, who shall take the oath aforesaid and act as judge of said court in case of a vacancy in the office of said judge, or in his absence, disqualification or inability, or at his request, and who, while so acting, shall have all the powers of said judge. In case of a vacancy in the office of said deputy judge, during his term of office, the judge of said court may designate and appoint some justice of the peace for the county of Hartford to be deputy judge of said borough court during the remainder of his term.

SEC. 45. Said borough court shall be legally constituted for the exercise of any of the powers of jurisdiction conferred by this act, whenever the judge or deputy judge or acting judge as aforesaid shall be present; and said borough court shall proceed in all cases without a jury; may issue subpoenas and warrants of *capias* for witnesses, warrants of arrest upon complaints made to it of crimes and all other criminal process; and shall administer justice in all criminal matters whereof this act gives jurisdiction according to law, and may hold the accused for trial in the superior court for Hartford county in cases beyond the jurisdiction of said borough court, or in cases where, in the opinion of said court, the offense charged against the accused is of so aggravated a character as to require a greater punishment than said borough court can impose; said borough court may adjourn any case to a future time, and require a recognizance for the appearance of the accused, or, in default thereof, may commit the accused to the jail to await the time of trial; when the court may have final jurisdiction of the case, the recognizance shall be to the town of Farmington, and in all other cases, and upon appeals and binding over to the superior court, the recognizance shall be to the state.

SEC. 46. The judge of said court shall annually appoint a prosecuting attorney, and in case of his absence or inability, an assistant prosecuting attorney, neither of whom shall necessarily have been admitted to practice law in the courts of this state; and said attorney and his assistant shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties. Within the cognizance and jurisdiction of said borough court, and as may be provided and restricted by this act, said attorney shall exercise the same authority and perform the same duties as are or may hereafter be provided by law for state's attorneys in their several counties, and for grand jurors and other prosecuting agents but he shall make no complaint to said court of any criminal matter arising outside of the second voting district of Farmington.

SEC. 47. It shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney diligently to inquire after and make due presentment and complaint to said borough court of all crimes, misdemeanors and other criminal matters whereof said court has jurisdiction, or wherein said court may proceed, whether committed before or after his appointment to office, but in case of urgent necessity he may make such presentment or complaint to any justice of the peace for Hartford county residing in Farmington, who may issue a warrant for the arrest of the accused person, commanding any proper officer or an indifferent person to arrest such accused person and bring him before said court; and the accused shall be by said court dealt with in the same manner as though said presentment or complaint had been made to said court, and said warrant issued thereby. Said attorney shall exclusively, except when his substitute shall act in his stead, have and perform all the duties and exercise all the powers within the limits of the second voting district of said town

of Farmington that are by law assigned to and conferred upon prosecuting agents under the liquor laws of this state.

SEC. 48. Said attorney shall collect, in the name of the town of Farmington, and by suit when necessary, all forfeited bonds payable to said town and given and taken in said borough court, and shall pay all sums received by him therefrom into the town treasury; and said attorney and assistant attorney may issue subpoenas for witnesses to appear before said borough court in criminal cases.

SEC. 49. The judge or deputy judge of said borough court shall act as clerk thereof, and shall keep the records of said borough court and certify the same and copies thereof, and shall receive all fines paid before commitment; and all costs paid after commitment to the keeper of the jail or other place where the offender is confined shall be paid by such keeper to the judge. Said judge shall also draw from the superior court all sums taxed in it for costs in said borough court, in cases coming before said superior court from said borough court by appeal, binding over or otherwise, including all costs in cases before said borough court when the accused shall be discharged for want of probable cause, and the offense charged is beyond the jurisdiction of said borough court. All fines received by said judge and all costs coming into his hands not demanded within thirty days thereafter shall be paid by said judge into the town treasury of Farmington for the use of said town; and said judge shall draw orders on the treasurer of said town for all such costs and fees that may be taxed by said court in any criminal case and payable from the town treasury, and costs and fees shall be paid only to those persons in whose favor they may have been taxed, or on their written order.

SEC. 50. No fees for attendance at court, keeping a prisoner, or for assistance in making an arrest, shall be taxed or allowed to any officer serving criminal process, unless said borough court shall find that such attendance, keeping or assistance was necessary, but said court may tax and allow legal fees, at its discretion, to any officer making arrests when the offender was apprehended in the act, or on the speedy information of others. No fee shall be allowed to any bystander as a witness before said court, nor shall any person be entitled to receive any costs, unless demand shall be made therefor within thirty days after the same become due.

SEC. 51. The judge shall account to the treasurer of said town quarterly for all sums received by him under the provisions of this act which are payable to said town, and shall pay said money at such times of accounting into the treasury of said town. He shall execute a bond in the penal sum of five hundred dollars, with a surety or sureties satisfactory to the warden of said borough, payable to said town, and conditioned for the faithful performance of his duty in the care, custody and accounting for all moneys received by him under the provisions of this act. If the surety on said bond be an incorporated surety company the

premium on such bond shall be paid by the treasurer of the town of Farmington, upon the order of said judge.

SEC. 52. The judge and deputy judge of said court shall receive five dollars per day for the trial by him of each case before said court, and one dollar additional for making the record in each appealed case and in each case of binding over, in addition to such fees for subpoenas, warrants and copies of record as are allowed by statute to justices of the peace therefor. The prosecuting attorney shall be allowed for complaints the same fees as by statute are allowed to grand jurors therefor, and in addition thereto shall be allowed one dollar for each case before said court in which he shall appear and prosecute the same, and said fees, except where paid by the accused as a part of the judgment against him shall be paid by the treasurer of the town of Farmington upon the order of said judge.

SEC. 53. The same costs shall be taxed in said court as are taxed in similar cases before justices of the peace, except that two dollars for the trial of each case, and one dollar on each appeal or binding over to the superior court, shall be taxed; and all copies in cases going to the superior court from said borough court by appeal, binding over or otherwise, shall, with the addition last mentioned, be taxed the same as in similar cases going to the superior court from justices of the peace. All costs for service of process and witness fees, and other costs taxable by law and the provisions of this act, and not paid by the accused shall be paid out of the treasury of said town upon the written order of the judge holding said court.

SEC. 54. Said court may reduce or disallow fees taxable by said court in cases where the negligence of any ministerial officer, or the discharge of the accused for want of sufficient evidence, or the insufficiency of the service rendered, or other circumstances, shall render such reduction, or disallowance just in the opinion of the court.

SEC. 55. All process issued by said borough court shall be signed by the judge or deputy judge; subpoenas to procure the attendance of witnesses before said court may be signed by the judge, deputy judge, prosecuting attorney or assistant prosecuting attorney; bonds or recognizances on the continuance of any case, or on binding over or appeal to the superior court, shall be taken by the judge, or deputy judge; and bonds for appearance at said court to answer may be taken by the judge, deputy judge, the prosecuting attorney or the assistant prosecuting attorney, and the authority taking such bond for appearance shall note on the warrant the name of the surety, the amount of the bond, and the date and hour at which the accused is to appear before said court, which entry shall be a part of the file of said case. Neither said judge nor deputy judge shall be disqualified to act in any case from which money by penalty or otherwise shall accrue to the town or borough of Farmington, by reason of their being residents or taxpayers of said town or borough.

SEC. 56. Whenever any person shall be arraigned before said borough court for intoxication, vagrancy, disorderly conduct or a breach of the peace, said court may suspend the execution of any judgment concerning such person for a specified time or indefinitely, either by reason of the age of the accused or the circumstances of the case.

SEC. 57. Sureties of the peace and good behavior may be required by said borough court in such cases and in such manner as justices of the peace are now or may be authorized by law to require the same; and said court may require sureties of the peace and good behavior in addition to or in lieu of any penalty imposed by said court in cases brought by said prosecuting attorney, whenever a prayer therefor shall be inserted in said complaint, and the interests of justice require it.

SEC. 58. Said borough court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of bastardy suits arising in said second voting district, and may proceed therein in the same manner and to the same extent that justices of the peace may do.

SEC. 59. The selectmen of Farmington shall provide a court room within said borough of Unionville, and such other accommodations as the judge thereof shall deem necessary, and also record books, blanks, stationery and other necessary articles for said court.

SEC. 60. The judge holding said court, when he deems it necessary, may appoint an officer to attend any session of said court to preserve order, and said court may tax reasonable fees for said attendance in the case for which said appointment was made.

SEC. 61. The first meeting of the voters of said borough shall be held in the town hall in said borough on the first Monday of July, 1921, and shall be warned by advertisement set on the public signpost in said borough, signed by a majority of the directors of The Unionville Fire District, and by depositing a copy thereof with one of the registrars of voters of said second voting district of Farmington, at least ten days before said time of meeting, and said registrars shall thereupon prepare for use at said meeting a list of the legally qualified electors of said town residing within the limits of said borough at the time of the completion of the last revised registry list of the voters of said town of Farmington, and shall add thereto the name of any elector of said town residing within the limits of said borough whose name has been omitted from said list by mistake, or whose qualifications as such elector have matured since said revised registry list was completed, and no person shall vote at said meeting whose name shall not appear upon said list so prepared; provided the name of any elector omitted therefrom by clerical error or mistake may be added thereto on said day of said meeting by said registrars. Said meeting shall be open at twelve o'clock noon, and shall close at four o'clock in the afternoon. Said registrars shall prepare a ballot box for use at said meeting, which shall be open during the hours before named; they shall also appoint the moderator, checker and counters for the taking of the

votes at said meeting. At said meeting there shall be chosen, by ballot, the officers of said borough named in section three of this act, who shall hold their offices until the annual meeting next following and until others shall be chosen and qualified in their stead. On the result of the count of the ballots being declared to the presiding officer, he shall publicly announce the names of the successful candidates for the several offices, and shall forthwith deliver to the clerk elect a copy of the returns, to be by him recorded, and thereupon shall declare said meeting adjourned. The warden and burgesses elected at said meeting shall hold their first meeting at eight o'clock in the evening of the day following said meeting, and thereafter may hold regular meetings as is provided in section six of this act.

SEC. 62. This act shall take effect from its passage, except sections forty to sixty, inclusive, relating to a borough court, which section shall take effect the first Monday of July, 1921; but the general assembly may appoint the judge and deputy judge of said court at any time after the passage of this act.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 29.]

[263.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE ÆTNA
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Ætna Insurance Company, to which an act of incorporation was granted, June 5, 1819, and subsequently amended, is authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance upon all kinds of property, real, personal or mixed, and any valuable interest therein, including dwelling houses, stores, buildings, edifices and structures of every kind, household furniture and personal property of every kind and description, against loss or damage, caused by fire, lightning or other electrical disturbance, and explosion, whether fire ensues or not, except explosion of steam boilers; by wind, tornado, cyclone, earthquake, hail, frost, snow, ice, flood, rain or drought, rising of the waters of the ocean, or of its tributaries, weather or climatic conditions, including excess or deficiency of moisture, war, bombardment or other mode of attack, invasion, insurrection, riot, strikes, sabotage, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power; against loss or damage by water or other fluid, arising from the breakage, overflow or leakage of or injury to any sprinkler, pump, water tanks, conduits, pipes or other apparatus erected or used for preventing or extinguish-

ing fire, or of other conduits, water pipes or containers, or by water entering through any leak or opening in buildings and against accidental injury to or by such sprinklers, pumps, apparatus, conduits, water pipes or containers; also against loss or damage by insects, disease or other causes to trees, growing crops or other products of the soil.

SEC. 2. Said insurance company is authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance against loss or damage upon vessels, cargoes, freights, goods, wares, merchandise, specie, bullion, jewelry, profits, commissions, bank notes, bills of exchange, evidences of debt, securities and other property, bottomry and respondentia interests, and every insurance appertaining to or connected with marine risks, risks of transportation and navigation, including the risks of lake, river, canal and inland transportation and navigation. Said corporation may, in connection with marine, inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also insure and reinsure any risk, whether to person or to property, including liability for loss or damage to either, arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance, use or possession of the subject-matter of such primary insurance.

SEC. 3. Said insurance company is authorized and empowered to issue policies or contracts of insurance upon automobiles of every kind and character and upon airplanes, seaplanes, dirigibles or other aircraft, and on any valuable interest therein, against loss or damage from all or any of the hazards of fire, explosion, transportation, collision, and from legal liability for damage to property resulting from the maintenance and use thereof, and against loss or damage thereof, or thereto, from burglary, theft, vandalism, malicious mischief, or wrongful conversion, disposal or concealment, whether or not held under a conditional sale contract or subject to chattel mortgage.

SEC. 4. Said insurance company is authorized and empowered, in addition to the powers hereinbefore or hitherto conferred, to issue policies or contracts of insurance against any and all hazards or risks which any fire or marine insurance company is now or may hereafter be authorized to issue under any general law of this state or of any other state or territory of the United States or foreign country wherein it may be authorized to transact business.

SEC. 5. Said insurance company shall have power to make reinsurance of any risks taken by it, or offered to it on any risk taken by any other fire or marine insurance company, or reinsurance company, whether authorized or not to transact business in this state.

SEC. 6. The words "loss or damage" as used in this act shall include loss of use and occupancy, loss of rents, rental values, profits and consequential damages.

SEC. 7. The annual meeting of the Ætna Insurance Company for the choice of directors of said company, and for the transaction of other proper business, shall be held on such day in the month of January or February in each year as shall be appointed by the board of

directors of said company, and legal notice of such meeting shall be given to all stockholders.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 87.]

[264.]

AN ACT PAYING THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR NEW HAVEN
COUNTY ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of one thousand dollars in favor of Arnon A. Alling of New Haven, as additional compensation for his services as state's attorney for New Haven county, from August 1, 1919, to the date of the passage of this act.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 178.]

[265.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PRINTING OF AN ADDITIONAL
NUMBER OF THE REPORT OF THE STATE TUBER-
CULOSIS COMMISSION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to cause to be printed three thousand copies of the report of the state tuberculosis commission, for the year and nine months ending June 30, 1920, in addition to the amount required by law.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 138.]

[266.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE AUTOMOBILE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Automobile Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, may, in connection with marine, inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also insure and reinsure any risk whether

to person or to property, including liability for loss or damage to either arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance or use of the subject-matter of such primary insurance.

SEC. 2. Said corporation may, in addition to the powers herein or heretofore conferred, issue all of the kinds of insurance which any fire or marine insurance company is now or may hereafter be authorized to issue under any general law of this state and in any other state or territory of the United States or foreign country, the corporation may issue in such state, territory or foreign country any kinds of insurance which any fire or marine insurance company may be authorized to transact therein by the laws of such state, territory or country.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 220.]

[267.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE HARTFORD SOUTH SCHOOL
DISTRICT TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Hartford South School District of the city of Hartford is empowered to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding six hundred thousand dollars, in addition to the amount of bonds of said district now outstanding. Said bonds shall be of the par value of one thousand dollars each, bear such date as said district in the future shall determine, be signed by the committee and treasurer of the district and bear interest at a rate not to exceed six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, the principal of said bonds to be payable in annual installments of one-fortieth of the amount at any given date issued, for a period of forty years from said date. Said bonds may be registered or may be issued with interest coupons attached as may be determined by the committee and treasurer of the district.

SEC. 2. Said bonds may be sold in such amounts, in such manner and at such times as said district shall determine.

SEC. 3. Said bonds, when issued in accordance with the provisions and limitations of this act, shall be obligatory on said district and the inhabitants thereof.

SEC. 4. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 197.]

[268.]

AN ACT INCREASING THE POWERS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFIELD

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The superintendent of highways and bridges of the town of Fairfield may order the owner or owners of any land fronting on any street or highway within said town to construct and repair sidewalks or curbs adjacent to such land in the manner and within the time specified within such order and at such grade as said superintendent may have established in such street or highway. The expense of establishing such grade or curb line, exclusive of damages, shall be paid by the town. If such owner or owners shall neglect or refuse to comply with such order, it shall be the duty of said superintendent to perform the work required by said order and the expense so incurred shall, from the time when said superintendent begins to act and incur expense in the premises, be a lien in favor of said town upon such land until paid and the amount of such expense may be recovered in an action in the name of the town.

SEC. 2. Before the said superintendent shall order the construction or repair of any sidewalk, curb or gutter he shall hold a public hearing thereon after having given notice thereof by causing a copy of the proposed order, with the notice of the time and place of hearing thereon, to be filed in the town clerk's office in said town and published at least twice in a newspaper having a circulation in said town, at least five days before the day of hearing, and by depositing a like copy in the postoffice addressed to the person or persons interested at his or their last known postoffice address.

SEC. 3. After such hearing said superintendent may order the construction or repair of any sidewalk, curb or gutter and said superintendent shall appraise all damages therefor to the person or persons entitled to such damages and shall assess benefits therefor upon the person or persons whose land is specifically benefited and shall, within ten days after making such order and appraising damages and assessing benefits therefor, cause such order to be filed for record in the town clerk's office of said town, with a certificate signed by him setting forth the damages appraised and the benefits assessed on account thereof, and shall also within ten days cause a copy thereof to be sent by registered letter to all persons in whose favor damage is appraised or against whose land benefits are assessed.

SEC. 4. All assessments of benefits made under this act and amendments thereof shall be made by said superintendent within ninety days after the completion of the public work or improvement on account of

which such assessments were made and shall be a lien upon the property benefited thereby, but the whole amount of assessments for benefits by reason of any such work or improvements shall in no case exceed the cost thereof, including damages payable and such liens and liens for the expense of laying any sidewalk, curb or gutter by said town or for cleaning any sidewalks shall take precedence of all other liens or encumbrances on the property where the same are imposed and may be foreclosed in the same manner as though such liens were mortgages on such property in favor of said town to secure the amount of such assessment or expense, provided no lien shall continue to exist for more than sixty days after such assessment shall become payable or such expense shall having been incurred unless within said period a certificate, describing the premises, the amount of the assessment or expense and the purpose for which the assessment was made or expense incurred, shall be signed by said superintendent and lodged with the town clerk to be by him recorded in a book kept for that purpose, but after the filing of such certificate such lien shall continue until the amount thereof, with interest, recording fees and a fee of one dollar for drafting the certificate, shall be paid to said town.

SEC. 5. Any person aggrieved by any such order or by the appraisal of damages or assessments of benefits or both may, within ten days after such order and certificate, file with the town clerk a notice, given as hereinbefore provided, of appeal from such order or appraisal of damages or assessments of benefits or both to the court of common pleas for the county of Fairfield. Such appeal shall be in writing setting forth such order or the appraisal or assessment appealed from, with the appellant's prayer for relief with the citation attached thereto signed by any authority authorized to sign writs, and returnable before said court at the time, and served and returned in the same manner, as is required in the case of a summons in a civil action returnable before such court. Service for such citation shall be upon the town clerk.

SEC. 6. Said court may, by committee or otherwise, review and revoke, modify or affirm such order and may confirm such appraisal or assessment, re-appraise such damages or re-assess such benefits or make such order in the premises as equity may require and may allow costs to either party at its discretion.

Approved, May 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 310.]

[269.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MERIDEN TO ISSUE STREET
IMPROVEMENT AND PAVEMENT BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The court of common council of the city of Meriden is authorized by a majority vote of the members thereof, subject to the approval of the mayor of said city, to issue serial bonds, notes, scrip or other certificates of debt to an amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and such further sums as may be appropriated against assessments laid and receivable under the corporate name and seal and upon the credit of the city of Meriden, which serial bonds or other evidences of debt shall be denominated "Street Improvement and Pavement Bonds of the City of Meriden." The avails thereof, when sold as herein authorized, with any assessment laid under the provisions of this act, may be appropriated by said court of common council to defray any expense incurred in the construction in said city of new paving, cobbling, macadamizing or other improved streets and pavements, and no portion of the avails of such bonds or other evidences of debt or assessments laid as herein provided shall be used for any other purpose. All appropriations of money under the provisions of this act shall be made only by the court of common council, and shall not be subject to the jurisdiction of the board of apportionment and taxation of said city. Said court of common council may make appropriations against assessments laid and receivable under this act. The treasurer of said city shall keep a separate account of all moneys received from the avails of any bonds or other evidences of debt and of all assessments received under the provisions of this act. Such serial bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt may be issued in such form and in such sums and made payable at such time or times, and at such annual rate of interest, not exceeding six per centum, payable annually or semi-annually, as said court of common council may determine, and may be sold, from time to time, under the direction of said court of common council at not less than par; and such serial bonds, notes, scrip or certificates, when issued as aforesaid, shall be obligatory upon said city of Meriden.

SEC. 2. No patented pavement shall be laid and no patented articles shall be advertised for, contracted for or purchased under this act except under such circumstances that there can be a fair and reasonable opportunity for competition, the conditions to secure which shall be prescribed by the court of common council of the city of Meriden.

SEC. 3. Said court of common council may order the street committee or a special committee thereof to fix a time when property

owners on such street or part of street to be affected may be heard upon the question of said improvement, and the kind thereof; and after said hearing, said court of common council may order the board of public works to execute such work upon the terms and conditions prescribed in this act. Notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be given to the persons to be affected thereby, if known, at least ten days before the time of hearing, by depositing in the postoffice, postage paid, a notice of the time and place of such hearing, signed by the city clerk and addressed to such person, or if such person is not a resident of said city, to any person resident in said city having charge of the property to be affected, and such notice given as above shall be sufficient notice to the owners of any property to be affected. Said committee shall meet at the time and place specified in such notice, may adjourn and shall hear all parties in interest. It shall report its doings in writing to said court of common council. In making assessments, as provided in this act, the city of Meriden is hereby authorized to assess benefits upon real estate belonging to the state situated within the limits of the city of Meriden, as shall be just and equitable, and the state treasurer shall pay any assessment of such benefits upon the certificate of the clerk of said city that the same are due and payable.

SEC. 4. The court of common council may, upon ascertaining the expense of such improvement, cause to be assessed not exceeding one-quarter of the expense of the cobbling, macadamizing, paving, asphaltting or otherwise improving such street or part of street, except the intersections thereof with other streets or parts of streets so cobbled, paved, macadamized, asphalted or otherwise improved, upon the person or persons whose property shall abut on such street, or part of street upon one side thereof, and one-quarter of such expense upon the person or persons whose property shall abut upon such street, or part of street, upon the other side thereof, in such proportions and amounts as shall be equitable and as the benefits to such property from such improvement shall warrant, except as otherwise herein provided. On any street occupied by the track or tracks of any railway company or companies, such company or companies shall be assessed, and shall severally pay to the city of Meriden, the entire cost of paving, cobbling, macadamizing, asphaltting or otherwise improving such street for the full length of such improvement and for the width of nine feet for each line of track of such railway or railways laid in such street of said city.

SEC. 5. The cost for street improvements at intersecting streets under this act shall be paid as follows: When one street intersects another street, and there are no abutting property owners, but there are railway tracks, the railway company or companies shall pay in the manner provided in section four of this act, and the balance of the cost shall be paid by the city. When one street intersects another street, and there are no abutting property owners and no railway track

or tracks, the cost shall be paid by the city. When one street intersects another street, and there are abutting property owners, and there is a railway track or tracks, the railway company or companies shall pay in the manner provided in section four of this act. The abutting property owner or owners shall pay an amount not to exceed one-quarter of the balance, and the remainder of the cost shall be paid by the city. When one street intersects another street, and there are abutting property owners, and no railway track or tracks, then the abutting property owner or owners shall pay an amount not exceeding one-quarter of the cost of the improvement, and the remainder of the cost shall be paid by the city.

SEC. 6. All the cost of such pavement, cobbling, macadamizing, asphaltting or other method of street improvement as may be laid under the provisions of this act, above the amounts collectible from the railway company or companies and the land owners, as hereinafter provided, shall be paid by the city, which shall have and own all materials removed when old pavements are reconstructed or repaired, and all collections from said land owners, said railways, all the premiums on said bonds or other certificates of debt, and the proceeds of the sale of such old materials, shall be added to the proceeds of the sale of said bonds or other certificates of debt to be used exclusively for the construction of streets and pavements.

SEC. 7. All such assessments on the hereinbefore described land owners and railway company or companies shall be payable at such time or times as may be determined by the court of common council.

SEC. 8. Assessments of benefits for street and pavement improvements under this act shall be made and remain a lien or incumbrance upon the land or other property upon which they are respectively made, and shall take precedence of all other liens or incumbrances thereon, except taxes due the state; and the land, with the buildings thereon, or other property on which any such lien may exist, shall be liable to be foreclosed in the same manner as if said lien were a mortgage on said land and buildings or other property in favor of said city to secure the amount of said assessments. Such lien shall not continue for a period longer than one year after giving the notice of assessments, unless within that period a certificate signed by the city tax collector, describing the premises on which such lien exists, and the amount claimed by said city as a lien thereon, shall be lodged with the town clerk of the town of Meriden, and said lien shall cease to exist whenever a certificate discharging the same, signed by the city tax collector, shall be filed with said town clerk of the town of Meriden. The legal fees for filing such liens shall be added to such assessments. Said assessments and expenses shall be collected by warrant under the hand of the mayor of the city of Meriden in the same manner as the city taxes are collected, and shall bear legal interest from the time when the same shall become due.

SEC. 9. Whenever the court of common council of said city shall contemplate, after petition filed, ordering any street or part of street to be paved, cobbled, macadamized, asphalted or otherwise improved, or shall contemplate repairing any street or part of street, previously paved, macadamized, cobbled, asphalted or otherwise improved where-in ducts, sewers, water or gas mains are laid, the court of common council shall have power to order the owners of property fronting on such street or part of street to lay branches or connections from such ducts, sewers, water or gas mains to the gutter or curb in front of their respective premises, and to place a stop-cock or other similar device on such branch from any duct, sewer, water or gas main on a level with the grade of sidewalk inside the curb line. If any person shall neglect or refuse to do so for a period of fifteen days after such order is made and notice thereof given in the manner provided for by section three of this act, the board of public works may cause such branches or connections to be laid and the expense thereof shall be a lien or incumbrance on the property in front of which the same are laid, similar in effect and to be proceeded with in all respects as provided in section eight of this act, and such expense may be collected by warrant, as provided in section eight of this act.

SEC. 10. Any property owner or railway company aggrieved by any act of the court of common council in making any of the assessments authorized in this act may, within thirty days after public notice is given of the assessments, make written application for relief to the superior court to be held in and for New Haven county, provided said owner or railway company shall give notice to the city of said application by causing a copy of said application to be left with the city clerk or at his usual place of abode at least twelve days before the return day of said appeal and within thirty days after such public notice is given.

SEC. 11. The court of common council shall prescribe the terms and manner of opening and excavating the improved streets or parts of streets, for putting in or taking out ducts, water, gas, sewer or other pipes.

SEC. 12. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply or of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[House Bill No. 982.]

[270.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE PECK, STOW AND
WILCOX COMPANY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

An act amending the charter of The Peck, Stow, and Wilcox Company, approved March 24, 1921, is amended to read as follows: The Peck, Stow, and Wilcox Company, a corporation created by resolution approved March 4, 1880, is authorized to increase its capital stock from the present amount of one million five hundred thousand dollars to an amount or amounts not exceeding in the aggregate four million dollars, and each increase of said capital, as authorized, shall consist of shares of the par value of twenty-five dollars each. Such shares shall be issued upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the directors, but no such stock shall be issued until the same shall have been paid for in cash, or in property of an actual cash value equal to the par value of the stock so issued, or in the surplus earnings of said corporation, and no stock shall be issued at less than par.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 275.]

[271.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE FAIRFIELD CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The action of a town meeting held in the town of Fairfield June 2, 1920, in voting to transfer and convey unto the Fairfield Cemetery Association, all the right, title, interest, direction and control of the town of Fairfield in and to all or any part of the burying ground in said Fairfield known as Fairfield East Cemetery, and a deed of the selectmen conveying to said association the interest of the town in said burying ground given pursuant to said vote, are hereby in all respects validated and confirmed; and all of the right, title, interest, direction and control heretofore owned or exercised by the said town of Fairfield in said burying ground, are hereby conveyed, transferred to and vested in said Fairfield Cemetery Association.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 508.]

[272.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE NATIONAL FIRE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The National Fire Insurance Company of Hartford, incorporated by an act approved June 4, 1869, and subsequently amended at several sessions of said general assembly, in addition to such other powers as it may have under said charter and amendments, is authorized and empowered to make insurances of the following kinds against loss or damage to all kinds of real, mixed and personal property and valuable interests therein: (A) By fire, water, any other fluid, or any substance or material; (B) by lightning and other electrical disturbances, wind, tornadoes, cyclones, earthquakes, hail, frost, snow, ice, weather or climatic conditions, including excess or deficiency of moisture, flood, rain or drought, rising of the waters of the ocean or its tributaries or of any other bodies of water; (C) by insects, disease or other causes, to trees, timber, crops or other products of the soil, including cost of cultivation of land used for producing such crops or products, and cost of harvesting the same; (D) by explosions, whether fire ensues therefrom or not; (E) by tank precipitation or the breakage, overflow or leakage of, or injury to, sprinkler systems, sprinklers, pumps, tanks, conduits, containers, pipes or other apparatus erected, installed or maintained for preventing or extinguishing fire or for other purposes, including loss or damage resulting from water, other fluids or substances or materials entering through leaks or openings in buildings and pipes and loss or damage by injury to or by any of the above-named property; (F) by ocean and inland marine disasters, and all disasters of ocean and inland marine navigation and transportation, including loss or damage to vessels, boats, cargoes, freights, goods, wares, merchandise, specie, bullion, jewels, profits, disbursements, commissions, bank notes, securities, bills of exchange and other evidences of debt, bottomry and respondentia interests, and every kind of loss or damage pertaining to ocean and inland marine risks and risks of navigation on oceans, seas, lakes, rivers and canals and other bodies of water and risks of transportation, whether on land or water, or on both, including loss or damage to person or property and legal liability for such loss or damage arising out of the above marine risks; (G) by loss or damage to automobiles, motorcycles, airplanes, seaplanes, dirigibles and other sea-craft and aircraft and any valuable interests therein, resulting from fire, explosion, navigation, transportation or collision, including loss or damage resulting from the maintenance, use, construction, repair or operation of any of the above-named property and loss or damage re-

sulting from burglary, theft, vandalism, malicious mischief or wrongful conversion, disposal or concealment of any of the above-named property whether or not held under conditional sale contract or subject to chattel mortgage, or otherwise held, including loss or damage to property and legal liability for such loss or damage arising out of said risks; (H) by bombardment, or other mode of attack, invasion, insurrection, revolution, riot, strikes, sabotage, war, civil war or commotion, or military or usurped power; (I) against loss or damage arising from or connected with any other risk or hazard which may be lawfully assumed under policies granting insurance against any of the hazards enumerated in this section in any state, territory or country wherein said corporation is now or shall be admitted to transact business. Nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize or empower said corporation to make insurances in the United States or in any of its possessions upon steam boilers or pipes, fly-wheels or engines or machinery connected therewith, or operated thereby, against explosion or accident, or against loss or damage to life or property resulting therefrom.

SEC. 2. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered, in addition to the powers conferred upon it by any general or special law of this state, to make insurances in any other state, territory or foreign country against any or all of the above-named risks or hazards and against any or all risks and hazards which may be lawfully assumed in connection with policies granting insurances against any of the above-named risks, under any general law of this state or any law of any other state, territory or foreign country.

SEC. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to make reinsurances of any risks or hazards taken by it, or offered to it on any risks taken by any other fire or marine insurance company or reinsurance company, whether authorized or not to transact business in this state.

SEC. 4. The words "loss or damage" as used in the original charter of said corporation and in any acts now or hereafter amendatory thereof, shall, without excluding any other elements of loss or damage, include loss of use of occupancy, loss of rents, rental values and profits and consequential damages.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 363.]

[273.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CONNECTICUT FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Connecticut Fire Insurance Company, incorporated by resolution approved in 1850, as amended, is authorized to insure

against loss or damage to any and all kinds of property and valuable interests therein caused by lightning or other electrical disturbances, wind, tornado, cyclone, earthquake, hail, frost, snow, ice, weather or climatic conditions, including excess or deficiency of moisture, flood, rain or drought, rising of the waters of the ocean or its tributaries, bombardment, invasion, insurrection, riot, strikes, sabotage, war, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power and by explosions whether fire ensues or not, except explosions of steam boilers; against loss or damage by insects, disease or other causes to trees, crops or other products of the soil; against loss or damage arising from the breakage or leakage of sprinklers, pumps or other apparatus erected for extinguishing fires or of water pipes, other conduits or containers, and against accidental injury to or by such sprinklers, pumps, apparatus, water pipes, conduits or containers, and against loss or damage by water entering through leaks or openings in buildings; and on automobiles, aeroplanes, seaplanes, dirigibles and other aircraft, and on any valuable interest therein, against loss or damage from all or any of the hazards of fire, explosion, transportation, collision, and from legal liability for damage to property resulting from the maintenance and use thereof, and from burglary, theft, vandalism, malicious mischief or wrongful conversion, disposal or concealment whether or not held under a conditional sale contract or subject to chattel mortgage; and to effect reinsurances of any risks taken by them. The words "loss or damage" as used herein shall include loss of use and occupancy, loss of rents, rental values and profits and consequential damages.

SEC. 2. Said corporation may, in connection with marine inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also insure and reinsure any risk whether to person or to property, including liability for loss or damage to either, arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance or use of the subject-matter of such primary insurance.

SEC. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized, in any state, territory or country in which it may be admitted to do business, to insure against any and all hazards or risks against which fire or marine insurance companies may at any time be authorized to insure by the laws of such state, territory or country or by the general statutes of this state.

SEC. 4. This act shall become operative as an amendment to the charter of The Connecticut Fire Insurance Company if, within one year after its approval, it shall be accepted at a meeting of said corporation duly warned and held for that purpose and an attested copy of such acceptance filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 615.]

[274.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SECOND NORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Second North School District of the city of Hartford is authorized to issue bonds, in addition to those outstanding, to an amount not exceeding the sum of nine hundred fifty thousand dollars, bearing interest at no greater rate than five and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually when the principal on said bonds shall be paid. Such bonds shall be serial and payable at such times as may be fixed by said Second North School District not later than forty years from date thereof and the funds raised from the sale of such bonds shall be expended for the purposes of said district.

SEC. 2. Said Second North School District shall, within four months after the passage of this act, at a meeting called for that purpose, determine, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds; the form, condition and reservations of the same, the rate and interest to be paid thereon not exceeding the rate aforesaid; the time and place of paying such interest and principal and the time when and manner in which such bonds may be redeemed and interest thereon terminated and the person or persons who shall execute the same for said district. Such bonds, when executed and delivered by said district, shall be obligatory upon said district and the inhabitants thereof, according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 506.]

[275.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE HARTFORD FIRE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Hartford Fire Insurance Company is authorized to insure against loss or damage to any and all kinds of property and valuable interests therein when caused by earthquake, electrical dis-

turbances, frost, snow, ice, weather or climatic conditions, including excess or deficiency of moisture, flood, rain or drought, rising of the waters of the ocean or its tributaries, bombardment, invasion, insurrection, riot, strikes, sabotage, war, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power; against loss or damage by insects, disease or other causes to trees, crops or other products of the soil; against loss or damage arising from the breakage or leakage of sprinklers, pumps or other apparatus erected for extinguishing fires, or of water pipes or other conduits or containers; against accidental injury to or by such sprinklers, pumps, apparatus, water pipes, conduits or containers and against loss or damage by water entering through leaks or openings in buildings; and on automobiles, aeroplanes, seaplanes, dirigibles and other aircraft, and on any valuable interest therein, against loss or damage from all or any of the hazards of fire, explosion, transportation, collision, and from legal liability for damage to property resulting from the maintenance and use thereof, and from burglary, theft, vandalism, malicious mischief or wrongful conversion, disposal or concealment whether or not held under a conditional sale contract or subject to chattel mortgage; and to effect reinsurances of any risks taken by them. The words "loss or damage" as used herein shall include loss of use and occupancy, loss of rents, rental values and profits and consequential damages.

SEC. 2. Said corporation may, in connection with marine, inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also insure and reinsure any risk whether to person or to property, including liability for loss or damage to either, arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance or use of the subject-matter of such primary insurance.

SEC. 3. Said corporation may also insure against loss or damage to any and all kinds of property and valuable interests therein caused by any other hazard or risks against which it is not contrary to the law of this state or to public policy to insure, and furthermore, in any state, territory or country in which it may engage in business, it may also insure against any and all hazards or risks against which corporations authorized to transact fire and/or marine insurance are permitted or may hereafter be permitted also to insure; and may effect reinsurances of any risks taken by it.

SEC. 4. This act shall become operative as an amendment to the charter of The Hartford Fire Insurance Company, if within one year after its approval, it shall be accepted at a meeting of said corporation duly warned and held for that purpose and an attested copy of such acceptance filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 173.]

[276.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE
LORDSHIP RAILWAY COMPANY AND FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OF ITS RAILWAY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Lordship Railway Company, incorporated under the provisions of an act incorporating The Lordship Railway Company, approved May 16, 1917, may organize and file its certificate of organization with the secretary of the state at any time prior to the rising of the general assembly of 1923.

SEC. 2. The time during which The Lordship Railway Company may exercise its rights to construct its railway in the highways mentioned in said act is extended to the rising of the general assembly of 1923.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[House Bill No. 953.]

[277.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE MERIDEN, NEW
BRITAIN AND HARTFORD RAILWAY COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time within which The Meriden, New Britain and Hartford Railway Company may comply with the provisions of section thirteen of its charter, approved May 19, 1915, is extended to the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 443.]

[278.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE WORTHINGTON FIRE DISTRICT OF
BERLIN TO SUPPLY WATER TO THE INHABITANTS OF
SAID DISTRICT AND TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Worthington Fire District is authorized to supply water for fire protection of the district; for the domestic use of its inhabitants and for the benefit of property located in said district;

to make contracts with any municipal or other corporation having the right to furnish water in said district, for such water supply; to construct, lay and maintain water mains, pipes, hydrants or reservoirs within said district for such purposes; to make use of any lands and of the ground or soil under any railroad, street or private way for the purposes of laying and maintaining such pipes and mains in such manner as to least damage the owner thereof and to least obstruct or impede travel thereon, causing all damage to be repaired and all damage sustained by any person or corporation by reason thereof or in consequence of the interruption of travel to be paid to such person or corporation; to regulate the distribution and use of such water and to establish the prices to be paid therefor.

SEC. 2. The damages of any person entitled thereto under the provisions of this act who fails to agree with said district as to the amount of damages sustained, may be assessed and determined in the manner provided by law for the condemnation of land by a fire district for purposes of a public square.

SEC. 3. Said district is authorized to issue serial bonds to an amount not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, the first installment of such bonds to mature five years from the date of issue and the remainder of the principal to be payable at the rate of two thousand dollars annually. Said bonds shall be executed in behalf of said district by the chairman of the district committee and the treasurer of the district and may be sold in such manner as the committee of said district may determine, but in no case at less than par. Such bonds shall be denominated on the face thereof "Water Bonds Worthington Fire District, First Series" and the proceeds from the sale thereof shall be used to carry out the provisions of section one of this act.

SEC. 4. No bonds shall be so issued under the provisions of this act as to permit the net bonded indebtedness of said district at any time to exceed five per centum of the grand list pertaining to said district as the same may be assessed for the year of such issue by the assessors of the town of Berlin, provided, in computing the debt limitation, bonds issued for the construction, equipment or maintenance of the district's fire department or for lighting streets shall not be included.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 621.]

[279.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MUTUAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, OF HARTFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The change of the name of The Industrial Realty, Title and Guaranty Company to that of the Mutual Bank and Trust Company, and the organization of said company as a bank and trust company, is hereby ratified and confirmed.

SEC. 2. All the capital stock, property and estate, of every kind, belonging to said corporation shall be and stand charged with the fulfillment of any trusts which may be conferred upon or reposed in it, or to the fulfillment of which it may be appointed, and the payment of said trusts, and the payment of deposits and such trust and other funds, as the first and prior liens thereon in case of the failure of said corporation; and whenever said company shall be appointed by any tribunal and accept a position as executor, administrator, guardian, conservator or trustee, as aforesaid, or become by such appointment the depository of property from any person or persons, in lieu of other security, unless the court shall otherwise order, the paid-in capital stock, together with the property of said company, shall be taken and considered as the only security required by law for the faithful performance of its duties.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 247.]

[280.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE GROTON LONG POINT ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All owners of a freehold interest in land within the limits hereinafter specified, in the locality known as Groton Long Point, in the town of Groton, who are over twenty-one years of age, while they are owners of such land, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Groton Long Point Association, Incorporated, and they and their successors shall be a corporation in law with all the privileges set forth in section 3421 of the general statutes, and the rights, privileges and duties hereinafter set forth.

SEC. 2. The limits and territory of said association are hereby defined as follows: East, south and west, by the waters of Long Island Sound, and north by land of the Groton and Stonington Railway Company, and lands of Caleb Haley.

SEC. 3. Said association is hereby authorized to provide for the extinguishment of fires; the oiling, sprinkling and other care and repair of streets; lighting of streets; the planting and care of shade and ornamental trees therein; the laying of sidewalks; the erection and maintenance of docks, breakwaters, retaining walls and bridges; dredging of harbors and creeks; maintenance of buildings for the public use of property owners and their friends.

SEC. 4. Said association shall have power to protect by suitable means, property within its limits from theft or other injury, and may appoint one or more special policemen or watchmen, who shall have the power and duties within its limits in relation to criminals and criminal offenses that constables have in towns.

SEC. 5. Said association shall have the power to make reasonable police regulations within its limits, and enforce them, including provisions concerning garbage and other refuse matter, and the removal of the same. Said corporation is hereby authorized, within the territorial limits aforesaid, to construct or cause to be constructed any sewer or sewers with wells or catch-basins and sewage disposal plant or plants, to maintain and repair such sewerage system within the limits of said district, and for such purpose to run pipes into the waters of Long Island sound, at such place or places that the tide will carry the sewage away from the shore.

SEC. 6. Said association may contract with the Groton Long Point Land Company and its successors and assigns, for water to be furnished said association and the inhabitants thereof, or may purchase the entire plant and equipment used by said company in furnishing water on Groton Long Point land, and may maintain, extend and operate reservoirs, water works and pipe lines for supplying water to said associations and inhabitants thereof, for all purposes.

SEC. 7. If said association and land company are unable to agree upon the proper charge to be made for water, the public utilities commission is hereby authorized and empowered to fix the proper charge therefor.

SEC. 8. Said corporation is hereby authorized, for the purpose of conducting, constructing and maintaining sewerage or water systems in said territorial limits, to open the ground of any streets, lanes, highways and public grounds within said limits, including any property laid out and shown as streets on a map of the Groton Long Point Land Company, for the purpose of laying, sinking, replacing or repairing such pipes or other fixtures and apparatus connected therewith as may be necessary and convenient for the purpose of conducting and maintaining an adequate water and sewer system.

SEC. 9. Said corporation may proceed to enter upon the land of any person or persons and exercise the authority hereby granted, without being liable to action of trespass and if at any time it shall be necessary for said corporation to enter upon such lands, for the purpose of making repairs, any damage done thereby shall be paid for by said association.

SEC. 10. If said association is unable to purchase for a price deemed reasonable by it the property of an existing company supplying water within its limits or any land, water rights or easements in land or water rights required by it for the purpose of conducting, constructing or maintaining a proper and adequate water system, it may apply to the superior court of New London county, and shall proceed in the same manner as by law provided for the taking of land for highway purposes.

SEC. 11. If said association shall construct any sewers, such proportion of the cost thereof as by said association may be determined to be just and proper, may be assessed by the water and sewer committee of said association in the manner prescribed by said association, upon the property specially benefited by such sewer, and the balance of the cost shall be paid out of the funds of said association. The sum so assessed shall be a lien upon such benefited property, and shall take priority over all other liens or encumbrances, except taxes due the state or town wherein such land lies, and the lands, buildings or other property upon which such liens exist shall be liable therefor in the same manner as if the lien were a tax lien thereon, to secure the amount of such assessment, and a certificate of such lien, describing the property upon which the same exists, and the amount thereof shall be lodged with the town clerk of the town of Groton, and all such liens shall bear interest at the rate of nine per centum per annum, until paid. All such liens shall be recorded by the town clerk of the town of Groton in a book kept for that purpose, but no such lien shall attach unless such certificate, signed by a majority of the committee of said association, describing such property upon which the lien exists, and the amount claimed by said association as a lien thereon, shall be lodged with said town clerk within one year after such assessment shall become payable.

SEC. 12. The first annual meeting of the legal voters of said association shall be held on the first Saturday of July, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-one, at which meeting, said voters shall elect from their number by a plurality of ballots, a president, vice-president, five directors, a clerk and a treasurer. The annual meeting of the legal voters of said association shall thereafter be held on the first Saturday of July in each year, at which time all terms of office shall automatically expire. Said voters shall also have the right, at any time that the association votes to build or acquire a water or sewer system, to elect a water and sewer committee to consist of three members.

SEC. 13. Special meetings of said association may be called by the president, or any three directors of the association, upon giving the notice hereinafter provided.

SEC. 14. Notice of the holding of the annual and all special meetings shall be given by posting a notice upon the public signpost within the territorial limits of said association, at least ten days before the day of such meetings, signed by the president or any three directors of the association, which notice shall designate the time and place of such meetings and the business to be transacted therein.

SEC. 15. Not less than fifteen of the legal voters of said association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any special meeting of said association; and if fifteen legal voters shall not be present at such meetings, the president of said association, or in his absence the vice-president, may adjourn said meeting from time to time, until at least fifteen legal voters shall be present; and all meetings of said association where a quorum may be present, may be adjourned from time to time by a vote of a majority of the legal voters present and voting.

SEC. 16. The president of said association shall be the chief executive officer thereof; he shall preside at all meetings of the voters of said association, and at all meetings of the directors, and at all meetings where he shall so preside, he shall vote to dissolve a tie when necessary; he shall designate the duties devolving upon each of the five directors, shall approve all bills for payment by the treasurer and shall be ex officio a member of all committees and boards of said association.

SEC. 17. The vice-president shall be a member of the board of directors, and shall have all the authority, power and duties of the president whenever the latter shall vacate his office, be absent or from any cause be unable to perform his duties.

SEC. 18. The clerk shall be a member of the board of directors, shall keep a record of the minutes of all meetings of the voters, and of the board of directors, and shall keep at all times a list of the members of said association.

SEC. 19. The town clerk of the town of Groton shall at once notify the clerk of said association of the change of ownership of any property or freehold interest therein, located within the territorial limits of said association, and shall receive for each name so transmitted, the sum of ten cents, to be paid to him as an addition to the regular recording fee provided for by the general statutes.

SEC. 20. The treasurer of said association shall have charge of the collection and payment of all moneys of said association, under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the board of directors.

SEC. 21. The territorial limits of such association shall constitute a separate taxing district within such town, and the board of assessors of the town of Groton shall separate said property from the other prop-

erty of the town, and annually furnish the clerk of said association with a copy of the list after it shall have been completed by the board of relief of said town.

SEC. 22. Where real estate entered in the town list is located partly within and partly without the limits of said association, the assessors of said town shall value said part lying within the limits of said association and return the list of the same to said clerk, which valuation shall be adopted by the association for the purpose of taxation. Whenever the association shall lay a tax on the list of property located within the limits of said association, and the title to the property has in any way been changed between the first day of October next preceding and the time of laying said tax, said property shall be listed by the association's clerk in the name of the person owning it at the time of the laying of said tax. The clerk of the association shall return said list, when complete, duly signed and sworn to by him, to the president and directors of said association, and said list, when accepted by said president and directors, shall be the assessment list of said association for the ensuing year. Any person claiming to be aggrieved by the doings of the clerk of said association or said assessors in preparing said list shall have the same right of appeal to the superior court as is provided by the general statutes in cases of appeal from boards of relief to the superior court.

SEC. 23. Said association shall have the power to lay taxes upon all real and personal property subject to tax and located within the limits of said association as appears by the clerk's list completed as provided in section twenty-two of this act, at any legal or special meeting of said association duly warned and held for that purpose. When the tax is so laid it shall be the duty of the clerk of said association to prepare a rate bill, apportioning to each owner of such property his proportionate share of the taxes so laid, which rate bill, when prepared, shall be delivered to the treasurer of said association; and said association and the treasurer thereof shall have the same powers as towns and collectors of taxes to collect and enforce payment of such taxes, and said taxes when laid shall be a lien upon the property in the same manner as town taxes, and said liens may be continued by certificates recorded in the land record office of said town of Groton, and foreclosed in the same manner as liens for town taxes.

SEC. 24. It shall be the duty of the selectmen of the town of Groton and an equal number of the directors of said association, annually during the month of August, to determine the amount of money which shall be necessary and proper for the making and repairing of the highways and bridges within the territorial limits of the association during the following year beginning September first. In the event of their disagreement such amount shall be fixed by the county commissioner of New London county residing nearest to, but not in, said town. The amount thus determined shall be paid by said town to the treasurer

of said association and said town shall not be liable to make or repair any road, highway or bridge within the territorial limits of said association, nor be liable for any damages which may occur to any person or his property because of any defect in such roads, highways or bridges after June 1, 1922.

SEC. 25. The association may at any time construct and acquire sidewalks and boardwalks and may charge fifty per centum of the cost of construction and repair to the adjoining property owner, which charge shall be a lien upon said adjoining property in the same manner as hereinbefore provided for sewer liens.

SEC. 26. The association may adopt by-laws, with penalties to secure their enforcement, for the purpose of regulating the carrying out of the provisions of this act and defining the duties and compensation of its officers and the manner in which their duties shall be carried out.

SEC. 27. Said association shall have and exercise all the powers granted to boroughs under the general statutes.

SEC. 28. For the purpose of defraying the cost of any work or improvement hereby authorized and for the acquirement of land, easements or other property necessary for effectuating the provisions of this act, said association is hereby authorized to issue its bonds or other obligations, to an amount not exceeding ten per centum of the total of the next preceding grand list of said association. Said bonds may be issued in such denominations and made payable at such time or times as designated and shall be prepared, signed and authenticated in such manner, with coupons or otherwise, as said association may determine, and the proceeds of said bonds shall be used in payment for the property or the expenses connected with the work or improvements for which they are issued, and said bonds when authorized to be issued by said association in accordance with the provisions of this act, at a meeting of said association called for that purpose, shall, when so issued, be obligatory upon said association and the inhabitants thereof; but in no case shall said bonds be sold for less than par. Said association shall provide for the redemption or purchase of said bonds, within a period of twenty years from the date of their issue, and for the establishment and maintenance of a proposed sinking fund which shall be used solely for that purpose. The directors of said association may pledge the credit of said association for any money borrowed by said association to be used to pay the expenses of said association, or in the construction of any public work hereby authorized, and shall keep a record of all notes, bonds and certificates of debt issued, disposed of or pledged by it. All moneys received by said directors on behalf of said association shall be by it paid to the treasurer of said association.

SEC. 29. No contract which shall involve an expenditure of money to the amount of two hundred dollars or more in any one year shall be made by the president and directors, unless the same shall be specially authorized by a vote of the association. The president and directors

shall not within any one year make contracts or incur obligations which shall, in the aggregate, amount to more than the sum of five hundred dollars, unless the same shall be authorized by a vote of the association; nor are the president and directors authorized to borrow money without like authority.

Sec. 30. This act shall not go into effect until it shall have been adopted by a majority vote of all of those owners of a freehold interest of land within the limits of said association herein set forth who are over twenty-one years of age, who shall be present at a meeting duly called for that purpose by the secretary of The Groton Long Point Association by mailing a notice of said meeting to each of said land owners, so far as the same may be obtained from the tax collector of the town of Groton, at his, her or its last known address and by posting a notice thereof on the building containing the postoffice within the limits of said association, two weeks before the time of said meeting.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 172.]

[281.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE LORDSHIP PARK ASSOCIATION, AND VALIDATING ACTS OF SAID ASSOCIATION AND EXTENDING THE TIME FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ITS RAILWAY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section two of an act amending the charter of The Lordship Park Association, approved May 7, 1913, is repealed.

SEC. 2. All of the rights, privileges and authority conferred upon said association under the provisions of said act are hereby revived and the time during which said association may exercise its rights to construct its railway in the highways mentioned in said act are extended until the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923, and all acts of said association otherwise valid, except for the failure of said association to accept the provisions of said act and to file a certificate of such acceptance with the secretary of the state within the time provided by law, are hereby validated, and said association is authorized at any time within six months from the passage of this act to accept the provisions of said act and the provisions of this act and to file a certificate of such acceptance with the secretary of the state.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 139.]

[282.]

**AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE TRAVELERS
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY MAY ORGANIZE AND AMENDING
ITS CHARTER**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The time within which The Travelers Fire Insurance Company, incorporated under the provisions of an act approved March 24, 1915, as amended by acts approved March 8, 1917, and March 19, 1919, may organize, is extended to March 24, 1923.

SEC. 2. Said corporation may, in connection with marine, inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also insure and re-insure any risk whether to person or to property, including liability for loss or damage to either arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance or use of the subject-matter of such primary insurance.

SEC. 3. Said corporation may, in addition to the powers herein or heretofore conferred, issue all of the kinds of insurance which any fire or marine insurance company is now or may hereafter be authorized to issue under any general law of this state and in any other state or territory of the United States or foreign country, the corporation may issue in such state, territory or foreign country any kinds of insurance which any fire or marine insurance company may be authorized to transact therein by the laws of such state, territory or country.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[House Bill No. 713.]

[283.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT IN
THE TOWN OF HARTFORD TO ISSUE BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Southwest School District of the town of Hartford is authorized to issue its serial bonds to an amount not exceeding the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars, in addition to any bonds heretofore authorized. Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate not greater than five and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and the first installment of the principal shall be payable within three years from the date of issue and the remainder thereof at some certain time or times not later than thirty years from such date. The proceeds of such bonds shall be used for the purposes of said district.

SEC. 2. Said district, at a meeting to be specially warned and held for that purpose, or at its first annual meeting after the passage of this act, shall prescribe, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, the form, conditions and reservations of the same, the rate of interest to be paid on the same, not exceeding the amount aforesaid, the times and places of paying such interest and principal, the time and manner in which such bonds may be called in and redeemed and interest thereon made to terminate, and the person or persons who shall execute the same in behalf of said district.

SEC. 3. Such bonds, when executed, issued and delivered as herein provided, shall be obligatory upon said district and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 4. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 131.]

[284.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE TRINITY CEMETERY ASSOCIATION OF PORTLAND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Andrew N. Shepard, John H. Sage and Alfred Gildersleeve, all of the town of Portland, and their successors to be chosen as hereinafter provided, are created and constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Trinity Cemetery Association of Portland, and by that name may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, may purchase, receive, hold and convey any estate real or personal, make, alter or repeal by-laws, rules and regulations of their trusts, and may appoint a president, secretary and treasurer or such other officers and agents, with such powers and duties as they may deem best to promote the objects of said association. Said association shall be located in the town of Portland.

SEC. 2. Said association is hereby authorized to receive gifts, by will or otherwise, for the purpose of caring for, beautifying and improving the cemeteries located in the town of Portland, and also to receive gifts, legacies, bequests and devises for its own purposes, or in trust for the purpose of keeping in order, repairing and improving such burial lots, monuments and other constructions in said cemetery, or any additions thereto, as may be designated by the person or persons creating such trust; and may also be appointed by any court of probate trustee,

without bonds, of any trust created for any of the aforesaid purposes, whenever there be a vacancy in the office of trustee incumbent upon such court to fill; and to manage the property or estate so held, and to make sale of, invest and reinvest the same by means of its officers and agents, and in such manner as it may direct. All the funds intrusted to said association, not already invested by the person, persons or society at the time making a gift to said association, shall be invested in the same manner as is now prescribed by law for the investment of savings bank funds.

SEC. 3. The wardens and vestrymen of the parish of Trinity church of Portland are authorized to transfer and deliver all property held by them as trustees of The New Burying Ground Association of Portland to The Trinity Cemetery Association of Portland, and especially all the right, title and interest held by the wardens and vestrymen of the parish of Trinity church in and to a certain tract of land described in a certain deed from Timothy Russell and Wells Diggins to Samuel Hall and others, dated February 11, 1826, and recorded in book 20, pages forty-six and forty-seven of the Chatham land records, and no bonds shall be required of said association for the performance of the duties thereby imposed upon it.

SEC. 4. The first meeting of said association may be called by any two of the persons named in the first section of this act, by causing a written notice of the time and place of holding the same, to be deposited in the postoffice at Portland, addressed to each of the incorporators, at least five days previous to the date of said meeting.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 503.]

[285.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE STANDARD FIRE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Standard Fire Insurance Company of Hartford, incorporated by resolution approved July 6, 1905, is authorized to insure against loss or damage to any and all kinds of property and valuable interests therein caused by fire, lighting or other electrical disturbances, wind, tornado, cyclone, earthquake, hail, frost, snow, ice, weather or climatic conditions, including excess or deficiency of moisture, flood, rain or drought, rising of the waters of the ocean or its tributaries, bombardment, invasion, insurrection, riot, strikes, sabotage, war, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power and by explosions whether fire ensues or not, except explosions of steam boilers; against loss or damage by insects, disease or other causes to trees, crops or other products of

the soil; against loss or damage arising from the breakage or leakage of sprinklers, pumps or other apparatus erected for extinguishing fires or of water pipes, other conduits or containers; against accidental injury to or by such sprinklers, pumps, apparatus, water pipes, conduits or containers; against loss or damage by water entering through leaks or openings in buildings; on automobiles, aeroplanes, seaplanes, dirigibles and other aircraft, and on any valuable interest therein, against loss or damage from all or any of the hazards of fire, explosion, transportation, collision, and from legal liability for damage to property resulting from the maintenance and use thereof, and from burglary, theft, vandalism, malicious mischief or wrongful conversion, disposal or concealment whether or not held under a conditional sale contract or subject to chattel mortgage; and to effect reinsurances of any risks taken by them. The words "loss or damage" as used herein shall include loss of use and occupancy, loss of rents, rental values and profits and consequential damages.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is authorized to make insurance upon vessels, boats, cargoes, freights, goods, wares, merchandise, specie, bullion, jewels, profits, commissions, currency, bills of exchange, securities, evidences of debt and other property, bottomry, and respondentia interest and every insurance appertaining to or connected with marine risks and risks of transportation and navigation including the risks of lake, river, canal and inland transportation and navigation, and in connection with marine, inland marine or transportation insurance on property, also to insure any risk whether to person or to property including liability for loss or damage to either, arising out of the construction, repair, operation, maintenance or use of the subject-matter of such primary insurance, and may effect reinsurances of any risks taken by it.

SEC. 3. Said corporation is authorized, in any state, territory or country in which it may be admitted to do business, to insure against any and all hazards or risks against which fire or marine insurance companies may at any time be authorized to insure by the laws of such state, territory or country or by the general statutes of this state.

SEC. 4. The act shall become operative as an amendment to the charter of The Standard Fire Insurance Company if, within one year after its approval, it shall be accepted at a meeting of said corporation duly warned and held for that purpose and an attested copy of such acceptance filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 445.]

[286.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE KENSINGTON FIRE DISTRICT OF
BERLIN TO SUPPLY WATER TO THE INHABITANTS OF
SAID DISTRICT AND TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Kensington Fire District is authorized to supply water for fire protection of the district; for the domestic use of its inhabitants and for the benefit of property located in said district; to make contracts with any municipal or other corporation having the right to furnish water in said district, for such water supply; to construct, lay and maintain water mains, pipes, hydrants or reservoirs within said district for such purposes; to make use of any lands and of the ground or soil under any railroad, street or private way for the purposes of laying and maintaining such pipes and mains in such manner as to least damage the owner thereof and to least obstruct or impede travel thereon, causing all damage to be repaired and all damage sustained by any person or corporation by reason thereof or in consequence of the interruption of travel to be paid to such person or corporation; to regulate the distribution and use of such water and to establish the prices to be paid therefor.

Sec. 2. The damages of any person entitled thereto under the provisions of this act who fails to agree with said district as to the amount of damages sustained, may be assessed and determined in the manner provided by law for the condemnation of land by a fire district for purposes of a public square.

Sec. 3. Said district is authorized to issue serial bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, the first installment of such bonds to mature five years from the date of issue and the remainder of the principal to be payable at the rate of four thousand dollars annually. Said bonds shall be executed in behalf of said district by the chairman of the district committee and the treasurer of the district and may be sold in such manner as the committee of said district may determine, but in no case at less than par. Such bonds shall be denominated on the face thereof "Water Bonds Kensington Fire District, First Series," and the proceeds from the sale thereof shall be used to carry out the provisions of section one of this act.

Sec. 4. No bonds shall be so issued under the provisions of this act as to permit the net bonded indebtedness of said district at any time to exceed five per centum of the grand list pertaining to said district as the same may be assessed for the year of such issue by the

assessors of the town of Berlin, provided, in computing the debt limitation, bonds issued for the construction, equipment or maintenance of the district's fire department or for lighting streets shall not be included.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 602.]

[287.]

AN ACT VESTING IN THE TOWN OF SHERMAN THE TITLE TO
LAND LOCATED IN SAID TOWN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The land heretofore occupied by the church located in the center of the town of Sherman, which land is bounded northerly, easterly, southerly and westerly by land of said town, and adjoins the land occupied by school district number three in said town, including the building thereon, is vested in said town of Sherman, provided a certified copy of this act shall be filed for record in the land records of the town of Sherman within six months from the date of passage hereof.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 257.]

[288.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE ROSSIA INSURANCE
COMPANY OF AMERICA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section two of the charter of the Rossia Insurance Company of America, approved April 13, 1915, is amended to read as follows: Said corporation is hereby authorized to make insurance against loss or damage which may be caused to all kinds of property by the elements, including fire, lightning, tornado, wind and hail storms; also to insure against marine disaster and against the hazards of inland navigation and transportation; against damage to automobiles resulting from fire, from the hazards of transportation and marine navigation, from theft thereof, or from theft of any of their parts or equipment, and from collision with a stationary or moving object; also against leakage of sprinklers and sprinkler systems installed or maintained for the purpose of protecting against fire and against loss or damage by explosions whether fire ensues or not, provided the same shall be clearly expressed in the policy; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to empower

such company to insure against loss or damage to property resulting from explosion of steam boilers. Said corporation is hereby authorized to reinsure any and all risks taken under its charter in any company or companies empowered to write such reinsurance, and to write reinsurance upon like risks taken by any other company and upon any risk taken by any other fire or marine insurance company under its charter.

SEC. 2. Section four of said charter is amended to read as follows: The principal office of the corporation shall be located in the town of Hartford. The stock, property and affairs of said corporation shall be conducted by a board of not less than seven nor more than twenty-five directors, who shall be stockholders, and shall be chosen annually by the stockholders and shall hold office for one year and until others are chosen and have qualified in their stead. The directors chosen at the organization meeting called by the commissioners as hereinafter provided shall be chosen, by the subscribers present at said meeting, to hold office until the first annual meeting as prescribed in the by-laws then to be adopted, and until others are chosen and have qualified in their stead.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 322.]

[289.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE TOWN OF NORWALK WITH THE CITIES OF NORWALK AND SOUTH NORWALK AND EAST NORWALK FIRE DISTRICT, AND INCORPORATING THE CITY OF NORWALK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section four of an act consolidating the town of Norwalk with the cities of Norwalk and South Norwalk and East Norwalk Fire District, and incorporating the city of Norwalk, approved June 6, 1913, is amended to read as follows: Said city is hereby divided into six taxing districts. The first and second ward shall be the first and second taxing districts. So much of the territory of said city as is included within the boundaries of the East Norwalk Fire District as the same existed at the passage of this act, shall be the third taxing district. So much of the territory of said city as is included in the first and second and third wards shall be the fourth taxing district. The fifth taxing district shall be the entire city. The sixth taxing district shall be so much of the territory of said city as is included within the following boundaries, to wit: Starting at a point on the boundary line between Darien and Norwalk, thence running in a direct line easterly to the westerly end of the southerly boundary of Union cemetery, so

called, thence along the southerly boundary of said Union cemetery to Rowayton avenue, thence south on Rowayton avenue to the northerly boundary of the property of J. F. Arnold, thence easterly and southerly along the property of said J. F. Arnold to the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company's tracks, thence easterly to the junction of Highland avenue and the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company's tracks at Gaynor's bridge, so called, thence southerly along the westerly side of Highland avenue to Witch lane, so called, thence easterly along the southerly side of Witch lane, to the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company's tracks, thence southerly to Wilson's cove, so called, thence southerly along the westerly boundary of Wilson's cove to Long Island sound, thence westerly on Long Island sound to the boundary line of Darien and Norwalk, thence northerly along said boundary line to the starting point, exclusive of the property owned or leased by The Connecticut Company, and the Roton Point Improvement Company.

SEC. 2. All electors of this state dwelling within the territorial limits of the sixth taxing district, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the sixth taxing district of the city of Norwalk, and by that name shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, purchasing, holding, selling and conveying any property, real or personal, and having a common seal for the purpose of contracting for street lighting, sewers or any other needed civic improvement voted by such district, including Rowayton public library.

SEC. 3. All inhabitants and property within the limits of the sixth taxing district shall be liable to taxation to defray any expenses or liability said taxing district may incur under the provisions of this act. The board of estimate and taxation may lay and collect taxes for the purpose of paying the debts of said district or any part thereof and of establishing a sinking fund for that purpose. The avails of such taxes shall be paid to the treasurer of the sixth taxing district for application for said purposes only. The board of estimate and taxation shall lay a tax to defray the expenses of the Rowayton public library to the amount appropriated by said district at any annual or special meeting of said district.

SEC. 4. The annual meeting of the electors residing in said taxing district shall be held on the third Wednesday of September, for the purpose of hearing the reports of the commissioners of said district, and acting on such matters as may be properly brought before said meeting. Notice of the time and place of said meeting shall be given by said board of commissioners by publishing the same in a newspaper having a circulation in said district at least ten days before said meeting, which notice shall set forth all matters to be considered in said meeting. Special meetings in said district may be called in like manner by said board and shall be called upon written request of twenty-five electors of said district to consider matters as set forth in such notice or publication.

SEC. 5. The collector of taxes and assessments of the city of Norwalk shall be ex officio treasurer of the sixth taxing district and all taxes levied upon property in said district shall be collected by said collector of taxes and assessments, and said collector shall whenever necessary file with the town clerk his certificate for the continuation of any liens for taxes levied upon property located in said district, and may bring suit for the foreclosure of any such tax lien in the name of said sixth taxing district in the manner provided by law for the foreclosure of tax liens, and shall have the same powers and duties in relation to the collection of taxes in said sixth taxing district as he has under the provisions of the charter of said city of Norwalk, in relation to all other taxes, and assessments of said city.

SEC. 6. Said district shall elect a board of commissioners, all of whom shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties and shall hold their office as hereinafter provided and shall serve without pay. Said commissioners shall appoint a clerk who shall receive reasonable compensation as determined by said commissioners. It shall be the duty of said clerk to keep a record of all transactions of said district and of said board of commissioners and discharge such duties as said board may prescribe. Said commissioners may employ such mechanics, experts and laborers as may be necessary in the exercise of their powers and duties.

SEC. 7. The sixth taxing district shall annually appropriate one hundred dollars or more toward the support of Rowayton public library, and the board of estimate and taxation of the city of Norwalk shall appropriate annually the sum of one hundred dollars toward the support of such library.

SEC. 8. This act shall not take effect unless approved by the qualified electors residing within the limits of said sixth taxing district at a special meeting to be called on the last Monday of June, 1921, and in the warning for said special meeting notice shall be given to the electors of said district that the question of the approval or disapproval of this act will be voted upon. Those electors who are in favor of approving this act will give in their ballots with the word "Yes" written or printed thereon, and those opposed will give in their ballots with the word "No" written or printed thereon, and said ballots shall be furnished by the city clerk of said city of Norwalk. If the majority of the ballots so given have the word "Yes" printed or written thereon, this act shall take effect. A ballot box for the reception of said ballots at said meeting shall be provided by the city clerk of said city of Norwalk, and shall remain open from two o'clock in the afternoon until nine o'clock in the afternoon, at the Rowayton hose house in said district, when it shall be closed and the ballots sorted and counted and the result declared. The registry list of the fifth ward of said city of Norwalk last made and completed shall be used to determine the electors residing in said sixth taxing district, and the ballots shall be polled under the same regulations as govern electors' meetings in the town of Norwalk. If the majority of said ballots shall

be in favor of approving this act, a certificate of said approval signed by the said clerk of said city of Norwalk shall be forwarded to the secretary of the state, who shall record the same.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 614.]

[290.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NORTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
THE CITY OF HARTFORD TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Northwest School District of the town of Hartford, by the name aforesaid, is authorized and empowered to issue bonds, in addition to those already issued, to an amount not exceeding the sum of three hundred thousand dollars, bearing interest at no greater rate than five and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; which bonds shall be serial bonds of one thousand dollars each, and shall mature severally in blocks of eight, commencing one year from date of issue and thereafter, annually, eight of said serial bonds shall be paid until all are retired, and the funds raised on said bonds shall be used and expended for the purposes of said district.

SEC. 2. Said Northwest School District shall, within four months after the passage of this act, at a meeting called for that purpose, prescribe and determine, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds; the form, condition and reservations of the same; the rate of interest to be paid thereon, not exceeding the rate aforesaid; the time and places of paying said interest and principal, and the time and manner in which said bonds may be called in and redeemed and interest thereon made to terminate, and the person or persons who shall execute the same for and on behalf of said district; and such bonds when executed in the manner so prescribed and issued and delivered by said district, and by its officer or officers, agent or agents, duly appointed by said district shall be obligatory upon said district and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, May 19, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 320.]

[291.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BRIDGE-
PORT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section thirteen of an act revising the charter of the city of Bridgeport, approved August 1, 1907, is amended to read as follows: At the city meeting in November, 1921, there shall be no election of members of the board of education to fill the vacancies of the four members of the present board of education whose terms expire on the Monday next succeeding said city meeting, and until the city meeting in November, 1922, said board shall consist of eight members who shall exercise all powers conferred upon the board of education. At the city meeting in November, 1922, there shall be elected by ballot from the city at large, two members of the board of education who shall be officers of the city and who shall hold their respective offices for the term of two years from the Monday next succeeding their election. At the city meeting in November, 1923, there shall be similarly elected, two members of the board of education who shall be officers of the city and shall hold their respective offices for the term of two years from the Monday next succeeding their election, and two other members of the board of education who shall be officers of the city and hold their respective offices for three years from the Monday next succeeding their election; and annually thereafter, there shall be similarly elected, two members of the board of education who shall be officers of the city and who shall hold their respective offices for the term of three years from the Monday next succeeding their election. From and after the Monday next succeeding the city meeting in November, 1922, the board of education shall consist of six members.

SEC. 2. Section fifteen of said act is amended to read as follows: At every election for members of the board of education, except the election at the city meeting held in November, 1923, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected. At the city meeting in November, 1923, the four candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected. No political party shall nominate more than two candidates for the board of education, except that for the election at the city meeting in November, 1923, each party may nominate four candidates for the board of education. In case at any election, there shall fail to be a choice of any such officer, the city meeting shall stand adjourned to the next following Monday at the same hour of the day when first held, and the election of such officers shall be proceeded with in the same manner and determined by the same rule as the election on said first day. Should any vacancy occur before the expiration of

the term of office of any member of said board, the remaining members of said board may appoint some person belonging to the same political party to fill such vacancy for the remainder of such term.

SEC. 3. Section eighty-four of said act is amended to read as follows: The board of education shall have all the powers now or hereafter vested in, and shall perform all the duties now or hereafter imposed by law on, the school committee and selectmen of towns relative to school and educational matters; and said board shall have the superintendence, management and control of all matters concerning education, schools and school property, and the power of fixing or changing the sites of schoolhouses. Said board shall audit and approve, semi-monthly, all bills for the ordinary current expenses of its department, and report the same to the city auditor, who shall thereupon certify whether or not the appropriation is sufficient for the payment thereof, and if sufficient he shall so certify to the city treasurer, and thereupon the same shall become due and payable. The president and secretary of the board of education may draw upon said treasurer in favor of the persons entitled to payment thereof. The police commissioners shall assign one or more patrolmen to act as truant officers in enforcing the statutes in such case made and provided.

Approved, May 25, 1921.

[House Bill No. 989.]

[292.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN TO ISSUE
SEWER FUND BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Whenever the common council of the city of New Britain shall determine to lay out, build, construct or repair drains, conduits or sewers or to construct, operate, repair or maintain sewer works, trunk-line sewers and sewer beds for filtration and other purposes connected with the disposal of the sewage of said city or to acquire lands and estate by purchase or otherwise for sewer purposes under any powers conferred upon it, said city, for the purpose of defraying the costs and expenses thereof, is authorized to issue bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt to an amount not exceeding in the whole the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than five per centum per annum, the principal of which shall be payable at some certain time or times within thirty years after the date of the issue of the same, and the amount of such bonds, notes, scrip or certificates which may at any time be issued, with the time or times of payment of the principal and interest thereof and the rate of interest, shall be

prescribed by said city in legal meeting for that purpose called and held; such bonds, notes, scrip or certificates shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the treasurer of the city and shall, when issued, be obligatory on said city and all the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor of the same.

SEC. 2. Such bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt shall be issued in serial form maturing from time to time during a period of thirty years as shall be determined at the time of each issue of the same by the board of finance and taxation of said city.

SEC. 3. The board of finance and taxation of said city shall be the trustees of the bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt issued by said city under the provisions of this act and shall superintend the issuing of the same and regulate the particular form and dates of maturity thereof and after the same or any part thereof shall be issued, it may sell the same in such manner and on such terms as it may deem best, or it may pledge the same for money borrowed by said city to be used for sewer purposes herein set forth.

SEC. 4. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of the bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

SEC. 5. This act shall not take effect until approved by a majority vote of the electors of said city at a city meeting duly warned and held for that purpose, or by a majority vote of the members of any board which may be authorized by law to assume the authority or discharge the duties of any city meeting in said city.

Approved, May 25, 1921.

[House Bill No. 990.]

[293.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN TO ISSUE
STREET BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of defraying the cost and expense incident to laying out, grading, constructing, repairing, macadamizing, paving and improving the condition of the streets of the city of New Britain, said city is authorized to issue bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt to an amount not exceeding in the whole the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, bearing interest at no greater rate than five per centum per annum, the principal of which shall be payable at some future time or times within five years after the date of the issue of the same, and the amount of such bonds, notes, scrip or certificates

of debt which may at any time be issued, with the time or times of payment of the principal and interest thereon and the rate of interest, shall be prescribed by said city in legal meeting held for that purpose, and such bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the treasurer of said city and shall, when so issued, be obligatory on said city and the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor of the same.

SEC. 2. The board of finance and taxation of said city shall be the trustees of the bonds, notes, scrip or certificates of debt issued by said city under the provisions of this act and shall superintend the issuing of the same and regulate the particular form thereof, and after the same or any part thereof shall be issued, it may sell the same in such manner and on such terms as it may deem best, or it may pledge the same for moneys borrowed by said city to be used for street purposes therein set forth.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of the bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

SEC. 4. This act shall not take effect until approved by a majority vote of the electors of said city at a city meeting duly warned and held for that purpose, or by a majority vote of the members of any board which may be authorized by law to assume the authority or discharge the duties of any city meeting in said city.

Approved, May 25, 1921.

[House Bill No. 983.]

[294.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AND PROVIDING FOR A CITY MANAGER.

This act does not appear in this volume, as it was rejected by the Electors of said city, at a special election, June 14, 1921.

[House Bill No. 954.]

[295.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN CONCERNING ELECTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of an act amending the charter of the city of New Haven, approved September 7, 1911, is amended to read as follows: Section

six of the charter of the city of New Haven as amended by section one of an act approved July 6, 1905, is amended to read as follows: On the first Tuesday after the first Monday of October, 1921, and on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of October in every second year thereafter, the freemen of said city shall elect by ballot from among their number as prescribed by law, a mayor, controller, treasurer, clerk, collector and city sheriff, who shall hold their respective offices for the term of two years from and after the first week day of January next succeeding their election.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 630.]

[296.]

**AN ACT EXEMPTING THE PROPERTY OF THE SOUTHPORT PARK
ASSOCIATION FROM TAXATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Fairfield may, at any town meeting warned and held for that purpose, exempt from taxation the property of the Southport Park Association in said town.

SEC. 2. All acts heretofore done by the town of Fairfield in regard to the exemption of the property of said park association from taxation, are hereby validated.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 344.]

[297.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORWALK TO ISSUE
SERIAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Norwalk is authorized to issue serial improvement bonds, in addition to the bonds already authorized and issued for the purpose herein mentioned, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and may sell the same on sealed proposals and apply the proceeds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the construction and maintenance of the public works authorized in an act concerning a new Washington street bridge and a park in the town of Norwalk and the issue of bonds therefor, passed August 30, 1911, provided such bonds shall not be issued at less than par.

SEC. 2. The bridge construction committee constituted by section five of said act may prescribe the form and conditions of such serial improvement bonds, determine the rate of interest which they shall bear and sell the same, depositing the proceeds thereof with the treasurer of said city, and may make payments out of such proceeds from time to time by its order upon the city treasurer for any expense of engineers, superintendents, aids, inspectors, counsel, buildings, docks, wharves, land, piling, filling, pumping, pile driving and bulkheading and any other necessary expense in connection with such public works and the maintenance thereof, and the orders of said committee upon said treasurer shall be honored and paid by him.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 183.]

[298.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
WATERBURY CONCERNING SEWERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section eighty-eight of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved June 22, 1895, is amended to read as follows: Whenever a sewer shall have been constructed in any of the streets of said city and ready for use, the department of public works shall cause notice to be given to the owners or persons in possession of all property subject to assessment, to appear before it to be heard relative to the assessment therefor, and shall thereupon assess the sum of three dollars per lineal foot of frontage upon all property abutting upon said sewer, or not abutting upon any sewer if drained by it and not otherwise assessed, describing each piece and specifying the amount assessed thereon; provided that property situated on a corner at the intersection of two or more streets, belonging to the same owner, shall not be assessed upon its total frontage on both such streets, but shall be exempt therefrom upon its frontage on one of such streets not exceeding one hundred feet; and property lying between parallel, or nearly parallel, streets, fronting on both such streets, shall, if belonging to the same owner, be exempt from such assessment upon one of such streets, upon so much of said property as is less than one hundred and twenty-five feet deep from street to street, and property covered by

streams or ponds fronting on any street, so long as it shall be so covered by such streams or ponds shall be exempt; and property belonging to any ecclesiastical society and used for a church, and property belonging to any railroad company and used exclusively for its tracks, and property used as a cemetery, shall be exempt.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 270.]

[299.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AN ADDITION TO THE
STATE ARMORY AT BRANFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is appropriated for the construction of an additional building at Branford for use as a part of the state armory and to make repairs upon the building now located upon said property. Such repairs shall be made and such building erected under the supervision and direction of the acting quartermaster-general.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 112.]

[300.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING SILAS D. RITCH TO CONSTRUCT
A SEA-WALL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Silas D. Ritch of Greenwich, his successors and assigns, are authorized to construct and maintain a wharf and a sea-wall between high and low water mark around the easterly side of and upon his land situated on the westerly side of Byram cove or harbor in the town of Greenwich. Said premises are bounded northerly by land of Dolly Rogers Nagel; easterly by waters of Byram cove or harbor; southerly by the highway and land of the town of Greenwich and westerly by the Byram road, so-called; and he is also authorized to fill in and grade the space inside of said wall as it may be deemed expedient, and the land between the said wall and the land of adjacent owners is granted to said Silas D. Ritch, his heirs and assigns forever, provided such filling and grading and sea-wall shall not impede public navigation.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 340.]

[301.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF GREENWICH
TO ISSUE BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The borough of Greenwich is authorized to issue its bonds to an amount not to exceed one hundred and forty-seven thousand dollars. Said bonds shall be coupon bonds of the denomination of one thousand dollars each and payable to the bearer or in case of registration, to the registered holder thereof. Said bonds shall be serial, and begin to mature on December 1, 1927, at the rate of five thousand dollars annually. They shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and both principal and interest payable in the city of New York, in gold coin of the United States of the present standard of weight and fineness, or its equivalent in value. Said bonds shall be signed by the warden and treasurer of said borough of Greenwich, and the coupons shall bear a facsimile of the signature of the treasurer of said borough.

SEC. 2. The warden and burgesses of said borough are appointed to arrange for the issuance and sale of such bonds, and to do such other acts in connection therewith as are not inconsistent with this act. The avails of such bonds shall be placed to the credit of the borough of Greenwich and be withdrawn by check to the treasurer of said borough. Such checks shall be countersigned by the warden of said borough and applied to the payment of a certain bond issue of said borough of Greenwich for one hundred and forty-seven thousand dollars, which bonds are dated May 1, 1902, as such bonds mature, and the expenses incident to the issuance and sale of said bonds.

SEC. 3. Said bonds, when issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said borough and upon all the inhabitants and property thereof according to the tenor and purport thereof, and said borough shall raise annually by tax on all the taxable property such sum or sums as shall be necessary for the payment of the interest on such bonds and the principal as the same respectively become payable.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 949.]

[302.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
THE TOWN OF HARTFORD TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Washington School District of the town of Hartford is authorized to issue its serial bonds, to an amount not exceeding the sum of fifty thousand dollars, in addition to any bonds heretofore authorized. Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate not greater than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and the first installment of the principal shall be payable within five years from the date of issue and the remainder thereof at some certain time or times not later than forty years from such date. The proceeds of such bonds shall be used for the purposes of said district.

SEC. 2. Said district, at a meeting to be specially warned and held for that purpose, or at its first annual meeting after the passage of this act, shall prescribe, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, the form, conditions and reservations of the same, the rate of interest to be paid on the same, not exceeding the amount aforesaid, the times and places of paying such interest and principal, the time and manner in which such bonds may be called in and redeemed and interest thereon made to terminate, and the person or persons who shall execute the same in behalf of said district.

SEC. 3. Such bonds, when executed, issued and delivered as herein provided, shall be obligatory upon said district and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 4. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 127.]

[303.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF
HAMDEN TO ISSUE SCHOOL BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of an act authorizing the town of Hamden to issue bonds, approved March 27, 1917, is amended to read as follows: The town of Hamden is authorized to issue serial bonds, to an amount not exceeding three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, registered or with coupons attached, bearing interest at no greater rate than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, the first installment of such bonds to mature within three years from the date of issue and the remainder of the principal thereof to be payable at some certain time or times not later than thirty years from the date thereof. Such bonds shall be issued at not less than par, and the avails thereof may be used for any appropriation for the purchase and improvement of a site for and the erection and equipment of new school buildings, made in accordance with the provisions of an act creating a board of finance in the town of Hamden, approved June 3, 1903, as amended by an act approved May 12, 1905, and an act approved June 6, 1913; provided such use shall be recommended by the board of finance, and in that case a tax need not be laid to cover such appropriation, but the town meeting may elect to cover such appropriation by laying a tax instead of using the avails of bonds. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of the bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 126.]

[304.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF
HAMDEN TO ISSUE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of an act authorizing the town of Hamden to issue bonds, approved May 8, 1919, is hereby amended to read as follows: Said bonds shall be serial bonds and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall mature not

less than three nor more than thirty years from their date, and may be coupon, registered, or both. Such bonds shall be issued at not less than par, and the avails thereof may be used for any appropriation for acquiring, laying out and improving any land within the limits of said town for a public square, common or park, or for appropriations for any public improvements, made in accordance with the provisions of an act creating a board of finance in the town of Hamden, approved June 3, 1903, as amended by an act approved May 12, 1905, and an act approved June 6, 1913; provided such use shall be recommended by the board of finance, and in that case a tax need not be laid to cover such appropriation, but the town meeting may elect to cover such appropriation by laying a tax instead of using the avails of bonds. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of the bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 815.]

[305.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CARE OF THE BURIAL LOT OF
WILLIAM BRIGGS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The sum of five hundred dollars is appropriated for the care and maintenance of the burial lot of William Briggs in the south cemetery of Brooklyn.

SEC. 2. The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of the selectmen of the town of Brooklyn for said sum, and said selectmen, and their successors in office, are constituted trustees of said fund, the income of which shall be used for the perpetual care of said cemetery lot.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 617.]

[306.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE MONROE ELECTRIC
LIGHT COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Solon B. Wales of Monroe, Charles E. Campbell and Thomas H. Blaikie, both of Waterbury, with such other persons as may be associated with them, are created a corporation by the name of The Monroe Electric Light Company, which corporation shall be located in the town of Monroe and shall have all the powers described in section 3421 of the general statutes.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have the right to manufacture or generate, buy, lease, rent or hire electricity for use within the limits of said town of Monroe, and may sell, rent, furnish, transmit and deliver electricity for any purpose for which it may be used, to any person, association or corporation within said town of Monroe and for such purpose said corporation may erect and maintain poles, wires and all necessary or convenient fixtures and apparatus in the highways and on the public grounds of said town of Monroe subject to the provisions of the general statutes.

SEC. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be twenty-five thousand dollars and may be increased by the vote of its directors to any sum not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and shall be issued at not less than par and paid for in cash or its equivalent.

SEC. 4. The incorporators named in section one of this act, or any two of them, shall open books to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said corporation at such time and place, under such regulations and upon such notice as they shall find reasonable and proper, and shall call a meeting of the stockholders of said corporation upon such notice and at such time and place as they shall find reasonable and proper for organization, the choice of directors and the transaction of any other business.

SEC. 5. The management of the business and of the property of said corporation shall be vested in a board of not less than three directors, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business. Said directors shall be stockholders and shall hold their office for a period of one year from their election and until their successors are chosen and qualified. Said directors shall elect one of their members as president who shall also be president of the corporation, shall elect a secretary who shall also be the secretary of the corporation, and shall elect a treasurer who shall also be the treasurer of the cor-

poration, and they may elect or appoint such other officers or agents as they shall find proper for the transaction of the business of the corporation.

SEC. 6. Said corporation may issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding at any time sixty per centum of the amount of the capital stock actually paid in, and may secure the payment of the same by mortgage upon the whole or any part of its property and franchise or any right which it may acquire, and may lease, sell or otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property, rights and franchise.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 606.]

[307.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERBURY TO ISSUE
WEST MAIN BRIDGE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Waterbury is authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, to be signed by its mayor and countersigned by its clerk. The interest on such bonds shall be payable semi-annually, and both principal and interest shall be payable at such place as the board of aldermen of said city shall designate. Said bonds shall bear such date as said board of aldermen shall determine, and shall be for the amount of one thousand dollars each, and it may be stipulated therein that the principal and interest shall be payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be called "The West Main Bridge Bonds of the City of Waterbury." The board of aldermen of said city, from time to time, shall designate the amount of such bonds that said city shall issue, not exceeding in the whole the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, prescribe the form of said bonds, determine the place and manner of payment, and fix the date and rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding five per centum per annum; and shall, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, advertise for proposals or bids for such portion of said bonds as it shall have designated before that time to be issued at said date, said proposals to be under seal and opened in public by said board of aldermen at some time and place by it appointed; and if the whole of said bonds shall not be issued under the proposals first advertised for, any further issue of said bonds, determined upon as hereinbefore specified, shall in like manner be advertised, at least fifteen days before the date of issue by said board of aldermen, for proposals.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form and payable in equal amounts of five thousand dollars each, from year to year, beginning the year 1940 and commencing with bond number one, shall be paid as consecutively numbered, within a period not exceeding fifty years from the date of issue.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory on said city and the inhabitants thereof, in the same manner as debts lawfully contracted by municipal corporations in this state, according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 5. The proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to and received by the treasurer of said city, and shall be expended only for the purpose of constructing a new bridge across the Naugatuck river on West Main street in said city of Waterbury, and for the purchasing of land with or without buildings thereon as may be needed for an approach to said bridge, and under the direction of the board of commissioners of public works and board of aldermen.

SEC. 6. The several numbers and denominations of bonds redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said city by the city clerk, and each year the bonds redeemed shall be destroyed by the treasurer in the presence of the mayor, city clerk and comptroller, who, with the treasurer, after the burning of said bonds, shall sign a certificate upon the records of the city that they were present and saw such bonds destroyed by burning, giving the serial numbers of the same.

SEC. 7. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

{Senate Bill No. 620.}

[308.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
WATERBURY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved May 21, 1919, is amended to read as follows: All powers now vested in and duties imposed upon the board of commissioners of public charities of the city of Waterbury in cases of children under eighteen years of age, are hereby vested in and conferred upon said board of commissioners of the Children's Home and said board of commissioners of public charities is hereby divested of such powers and relieved of

such duties. Said board of commissioners of the Children's Home shall have power to support all children under eighteen years of age belonging to the city of Waterbury who have not estate sufficient for their support, and have no relatives of sufficient ability who are obliged by law to support them, either in the home of their relatives or in well-selected family homes approved by said board of commissioners according to the best interests of said children in the discretion of said board of commissioners. Said board of commissioners of the Children's Home shall have power to purchase and maintain a home for such children, using therefor such funds as have been or hereafter may be appropriated for that purpose by the board of aldermen of said city. Said board of commissioners of the Children's Home shall act as sole guardian of the persons of such children as may be admitted by it into said Children's Home or placed by it in a family home from the time of such admission or placement until said children become eighteen years of age unless such guardianship is sooner terminated by a probate court having jurisdiction over such children or unless said children are sooner returned to the custody of their relatives.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 608.]

[309.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERBURY TO ISSUE
SEWAGE DISPOSAL BONDS FOR PLANT AT WATERVILLE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Waterbury is authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, to be signed by its mayor and countersigned by its clerk. The principal of said bonds shall be payable within fifty years from the date thereof, and the interest thereon shall be payable semi-annually. Said bonds shall be for the amount of one thousand dollars each, and it may be stipulated therein that the principal and interest shall be payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be called "Sewage Disposal Bonds for Plant at Waterville, of the City of Waterbury." The board of aldermen of said city, from time to time, shall designate the amount of such bonds that said city shall issue, not exceeding in the whole the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars, prescribe the form of said bonds, determine the place and manner of payment of both principal and interest, and fix the date and rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding five per centum per annum; and shall, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, advertise for proposals or bids for such

portion of said bonds as it shall have designated to be issued at said date, said proposals to be under seal and opened in public by said board of aldermen at some time and place by it appointed; and if the whole of said bonds shall not be issued under the proposals first advertised for, any further issue of said bonds, determined upon as hereinbefore specified, shall in like manner be advertised, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, by said board of aldermen, for proposals.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form and payable in equal amounts of five thousand dollars each, from year to year, beginning the year 1940 and commencing with bond number one, shall be paid as consecutively numbered, within a period not exceeding fifty years from the date of their issue.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory on said city and the inhabitants thereof, in the same manner as debts lawfully contracted by municipal corporations in this state according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 5. The proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to and received by the treasurer of said city, and shall be expended only for the erection, equipment and construction of a sewage disposal plant at Waterville, in said Waterbury, for the purchase of land for the same, and for the laying of sewers and sewer pipes in connection with said plant under the direction of the board of commissioners of public works and board of aldermen of said city.

SEC. 6. The several numbers and denominations of bonds redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said city by the city clerk, and each year the bonds redeemed shall be destroyed by the treasurer in the presence of the mayor, city clerk and comptroller, who, with the treasurer, after the burning of said bonds, shall sign a certificate upon the records of the city that they were present and saw such bonds destroyed by burning, giving the serial numbers of the same.

SEC. 7. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 604.]

[310.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERBURY TO ISSUE
ISOLATION HOSPITAL BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Waterbury is authorized to issue bonds under the corporate seal of said city, to be signed by its mayor and countersigned by its clerk. Said bonds shall bear such date as the board of aldermen of said city shall determine, and shall be for the amount of one thousand dollars each, and it may be stipulated therein that the principal and interest shall be payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness. The principal of said bonds shall be paid within fifty-five years from the date thereof.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be called "Isolation Hospital Bonds of the City of Waterbury, Second Series." The board of aldermen of said city shall designate the amount of such bonds that said city shall issue, not exceeding the sum of one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, and shall prescribe the form of said bonds, whether with coupons or otherwise, and registered or not registered, and shall determine the place and manner of payment of both principal and interest, and fix the rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, advertise for proposals or bids for such portions of said bonds as it shall have designated to be issued at said date, said proposals to be under seal and opened in public by said board of aldermen at some time and place by it appointed.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form and payable in equal amounts of five thousand dollars each, from year to year, beginning the year 1940 and commencing with bond number one, shall be paid as consecutively numbered, within a period not exceeding fifty-five years from the date of their issue.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said city and upon the inhabitants thereof in the same manner as debts lawfully contracted by municipal corporations in this state according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 5. The proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to and received by the treasurer of said city, and shall be expended under the direction of the board of commissioners of public health, and the board of aldermen only for the purpose of completing the erecting and equipping of a city isolation hospital.

SEC. 6. The several numbers and denominations of bonds redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said city by the city clerk, and each year the bonds redeemed shall be destroyed by the treasurer in the

presence of the mayor, city clerk and comptroller, who, with the treasurer, after the burning of said bonds shall sign a certificate upon the records of the city that they were present and saw such bonds destroyed by burning, giving the serial numbers of the same.

SEC. 7. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 607.]

[311.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERBURY TO ISSUE
HIGH SCHOOL BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Waterbury is authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, to be signed by its mayor and countersigned by its clerk to an amount not exceeding one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars and divided into three series. The respective denominations of said three series shall be: "High School Bonds of the city of Waterbury, Series A;" "High School Bonds of the City of Waterbury, Series B;" "High School Bonds of the City of Waterbury, Series C." Said bonds shall be for the amount of one thousand dollars each and shall bear interest at such rate not exceeding five per centum per annum and shall bear such date as the board of aldermen of said city shall determine and it may be stipulated therein that the principal and interest shall be payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness.

SEC. 2. The board of aldermen of said city shall designate the amount of said bonds that said city shall issue, not exceeding in the whole the sum of one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars and not exceeding in the A and B series the sum of five hundred thousand dollars each, and the C series shall not exceed the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, prescribe the form of said bonds, determine the place and manner of payment and fix the rate of interest they shall bear not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, advertise for proposals or bids for such portion of said bonds as it shall have designated to be issued at said date, said proposals to be under seal and opened in public by said board of aldermen at some time and place by it appointed.

SEC. 3. The bonds of each of said series shall be consecutively numbered beginning with number one in each series and series A and B of said bonds shall be payable in equal amounts of ten thousand dollars each, and series C shall be payable in equal amounts of five thousand dollars each, beginning the year 1940, and commencing with bond number one, shall be paid as consecutively numbered within a period not exceeding seventy years from the date of issue.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said city and upon the inhabitants thereof in the same manner as debts contracted by municipal corporations in this state according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 5. The proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds shall be paid to the treasurer of said city, and shall be expended only for the erection, equipment and construction of new high schools, or intermediate high schools in said city, and the purchase of land for the same, under the direction of the board of education and the board of aldermen of said city.

SEC. 6. The several numbers and denominations of bonds of each of said series when redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said city by the city clerk and the bonds redeemed shall be burned by the treasurer in the presence of the mayor, city clerk and comptroller of said city, who, after the burning, shall sign a certificate that they were present at the burning of said bonds, giving the series and serial numbers of the same.

SEC. 7. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 601.]

[312.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE WOODBRIDGE STREET
RAILWAY COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Adam Ziegler, Michael J. Quinn, William B. Turley and such other persons as they may associate with them for that purpose, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Woodbridge Street Railway Company, to be located in the town of New Haven.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to locate, construct, maintain and operate by means of electricity as a motive power, a street railway with such tracks, crossovers, turnouts, bridges, switches and terminals, and such lines of poles and wires for the conduction of electricity, as its directors may find to be necessary or convenient for the efficient, economical and advantageous operation of the same, upon all streets, highways, public and private grounds, included in the following-described routes: Beginning at and from a connection with the terminus of the tracks of the Connecticut Company in the town of New Haven at or near the junction of Amity road and the Litchfield turnpike, thence running along said Litchfield turnpike in the towns of New Haven and Woodbridge to the northerly boundary of land owned by Charles A. Bradley in said town of Woodbridge, being a point about one thousand feet northerly from Bradley road; also connecting with said proposed tracks on said Litchfield turnpike opposite Bradley road in said town of Woodbridge, thence running along said Bradley road to the westerly boundary of land of The Woodbridge Trap Rock Company, and into and upon said land of said company, and into and upon any land hereafter acquired by said The Woodbridge Trap Rock Company which adjoins that now belonging to said company; also, connecting with said proposed tracks in said Litchfield turnpike at a point about seven hundred feet northerly from Bradley road, in said town of Woodbridge, thence running easterly through private way to said Bradley road and thence along said Bradley road to said land of said The Woodbridge Trap Rock Company and into and upon said land of said company as aforesaid; provided the tracks and poles of said street railway company shall not be so located on said Bradley road that any use thereof by said company shall interrupt the public use of said road.

SEC. 3. The capital stock of said The Woodbridge Street Railway Company shall be fifty thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, which shares shall be personal property, and shall be transferable only on the books of said company, and shall not be issued at less than par and shall be paid for in cash or its equivalent; and said corporation is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock, from time to time, to such amounts not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars as may be necessary for the purposes of its business.

SEC. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to collect such rates for service as may be fixed by its board of directors; and said corporation is hereby authorized to make a traffic agreement or other lawful contract with any connecting company, may purchase and hold such real and personal property as may be necessary to carry out the objects of this act, and may sell or lease its railways, franchises and property, wholly or in part, to any connecting company or companies.

SEC. 5. The corporators mentioned in section one, or a majority of them, may open books to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company at such times and places as they may determine and said

corporators, or a majority of them, are authorized to call the first meeting of the stockholders, in such manner and at such time and place as they may deem best, for the purpose of organizing said corporation, adopting suitable by-laws and electing officers.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 130.]

[313.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO JAMES GLYNN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by James Glynn of Westport by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 307.]

[314.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD CONCERNING STREET PAVING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Hartford, in the performance of its duty to maintain and repair the highways within its limits, may cause to be paved and repaved with granite, asphalt, concrete, brick, wood-block or other substantial pavement, including the macadam in general use, such streets or parts of streets as the court of common council shall, upon recommendation of the board of street commissioners, determine; and the court of common council shall have power to assess the whole cost of such paving or repaving, including that portion contiguous to lateral and intersecting streets, and excluding that portion of the street which by law or contract a street railway is under obligation to pave, one-half upon said city of Hartford, which shall be paid out of the treasury of said city upon the order of the court of common council, and one-half of such cost upon the owners of the property abutting on the line of such paving or repaving, in such proportion as said property may be especially benefited thereby, and may enforce the collection of such assessments in the manner provided by the charter and ordinances of said city for the collection of assessments. The board of street commissioners shall recommend the streets or parts of streets to be paved or repaved and shall determine the kind of pavement to be laid thereon, and

shall estimate the cost of such paving. Before submitting its recommendations regarding such paving or repaving to the court of common council the board of street commissioners shall hold a public hearing thereon, after notice to the property owners interested, by publication, at least once, in two daily newspapers of the city, and, so far as practicable, by a written or printed notice addressed to the property owners interested, at their last known places of abode, and deposited in the postoffice, postage paid, at least ten days before the date set for such hearing. The estimated cost of such paving shall be presented to, or available for use at the public hearing, and after such hearing the board of street commissioners may pass votes to be submitted to and acted upon by the court of common council ordering such pavement and assessing the cost thereof in the manner above provided. On the completion of the work and assessment for the cost of the same, such assessment shall be final and conclusive on all parties in interest; and such assessment shall be a lien upon the land on account of which it was assessed in the same manner and to the same extent as is provided in the charter and ordinances of said city in the case of assessments for benefits arising from public works or improvements.

SEC. 2. The court of common council in connection with the paving or repaving of any street may include in the cost of such paving or repaving the cost of resetting, replacing or rebuilding the curbs and sidewalks in said street or part of a street to be paved and improved, and may contract for the rebuilding of the curbs and sidewalks as part of the paving work of said street, which cost is to be included in the cost of the paving or repaving and assessed as above provided.

SEC. 3. The paving or repaving of streets or parts of streets, the expenditure for which shall have been provided for in the annual estimate of expenses adopted by the court of common council, shall not be considered a public work or improvement within the meaning of the provisions of the charter of said city.

SEC. 4. Acts amending the charter of the city of Hartford concerning street paving, approved May 19, 1915, and April 13, 1917, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are repealed.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 219.]

[315.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF DANBURY TO ISSUE
SCHOOL BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Danbury is authorized to issue, under its corporate name and seal and upon the credit of said town, bonds in

serial form to an amount not exceeding six hundred thousand dollars, which bonds shall be denominated "School Bonds of the Town of Danbury," and the avails thereof when sold shall be applied for the purpose of building a new high school or other necessary school buildings and properly equipping the same, and the improvement of the grounds about such high school or other school buildings; or in the improvement, alteration or enlargement of other school buildings in said town of Danbury and the improvement of the grounds about the same.

SEC. 2. The board of finance of said town shall determine, subject to the approval of a town meeting to be called and held for that purpose, the amount, use and denomination of such bonds, the form, whether coupon or otherwise, and whether registered or not registered, of such bonds; designate a bank or trust company, at which such bonds, including the principal and interest, shall be paid; determine the rate of interest such bonds shall bear not exceeding six per centum per annum; fix the date of the issuance of such bonds, the amount of each bond, the date on which each is payable, the amount of each issue, and provide for the sale of the same at not less than par.

SEC. 3. The board of finance shall, annually, make an appropriation for the payment of the interest on such bonds as it becomes due, and also for the payment and cancellation of such bonds as they respectively mature until the entire issue is paid.

SEC. 4. The several numbers and denominations of bonds issued and redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said town by the town treasurer.

SEC. 5. A special emergency existing, the amount of bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, exceeds, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply, notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in a sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall not be subject to the restrictions imposed by section 441 of the general statutes as amended by chapter 108 of the public acts of 1919 or any subsequent amendment thereto.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 673.]

[316.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SHELTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section sixteen of an act amending the charter of the city of Shelton, approved May 21, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The salaries and

compensation of the several city officials shall be as follows: That of the mayor shall be five hundred dollars per annum; that of the city clerk, twenty-four hundred dollars per annum, and he shall provide, at his own expense, all clerical assistance which he may require; that of the commissioner of streets, thirteen hundred dollars per annum; that of the superintendent of charities, four hundred dollars per annum; that of the auditors, twenty-five dollars each per annum; that of the judge of the city court, five hundred dollars per annum; that of the deputy judge, fifty dollars per annum; that of the city attorney, five hundred dollars per annum; that of the assistant city attorney, one hundred dollars per annum; that of the chief of police, sixteen hundred dollars per annum; and all fees which shall be taxed in favor of the chief of police in any civil or criminal proceeding that of the treasurer, two hundred dollars per annum; that of the tax collector, twelve hundred dollars per annum; that of the corporation counsel, three hundred dollars per annum; that of each assessor, shall be three hundred dollars per annum commencing January 1, 1922, and the salary of the clerk of the board of assessors on or after January 1, 1922, shall be fixed by the board of aldermen. The salary and compensation of all other city and town officials and employees shall be determined by the board of aldermen. The members of the board of aldermen and the board of apportionment and taxation shall serve without compensation. The salary of the town clerk shall be three hundred dollars per annum.

Approved, May, 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 262.]

[317.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONCERNING NEW HAVEN
HARBOR AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN HARBOR
LINES AND BULKHEAD LINES THEREIN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section seven of an act concerning New Haven harbor and establishing certain harbor lines and bulkhead lines therein, approved June 7, 1913, is amended to read as follows: A harbor line is hereby established in New Haven harbor, along the north shore of the inner harbor, between Tomlinson bridge and the Kimberly avenue bridge over West river, which shall commence at a point in the roadway of the westerly approach to Tomlinson bridge in the straight westerly continuation of the center line of the southerly bridge truss of said bridge and four feet perpendicularly distant easterly from the southeasterly face of the sea-wall of Steamboat dock, and continue thence southwesterly in a straight line, making an angle of thirty-six degrees to the westward

from the center of the Southwest ledge lighthouse at the mouth of the harbor to its intersection with a straight line passing through a point on the line extended of the southwesterly face of City wharf, at Waterside park, fifty feet southeasterly from the southerly extremity of said City wharf and another point which is the southeasterly extremity of the East street sewer; thence from this point of intersection along said last described line to the above-mentioned point opposite the southern extremity of said City wharf; thence to a point at the southern extremity of said City wharf, which point is eighty feet perpendicularly distant southerly from the southeasterly face of the sea-wall of said park and twenty-two feet perpendicularly distant westerly from its southwesterly face; thence northwesterly in a straight line, parallel with the easterly face of Canal wharf, to its intersection with the southerly face of George Alling's Sons Company's wharf; thence westerly in a straight line, at right angles with the straight southerly continuation of the easterly street line of that portion of Brewery street which extends southerly from Water street, to its intersection with a straight line, parallel with and eighty feet perpendicularly distant easterly from said southerly continuation of the easterly street line of Brewery street; thence southerly along said last-described line, to its intersection with the easterly face of Canal wharf; thence southeasterly in a straight line along said easterly face of Canal wharf, to its intersection with a straight line passing through the southeasterly corner of the southern extremity of Canal wharf and the most southeasterly point of the southern extremity of Long wharf; thence southwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line passing through the most southwesterly point of said southern extremity of Long wharf and a point three hundred and fifty-four feet perpendicularly distant westerly from the straight southerly continuation of the easterly face of the main factory building of The Sperry & Barnes Company on Long wharf and four feet perpendicularly distant southerly from the straight easterly continuation of that portion of the bulkhead line, hereinafter described, extending southwesterly to a point in the easterly continuation of the northerly street line of Second street; thence northwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and four feet perpendicularly distant southerly from said portion of the bulkhead line extending southwesterly to a point in the easterly continuation of the northerly street line of Second street; thence southwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and nine hundred and fifty feet perpendicularly distant easterly from the easterly street line of Hallock avenue; thence southerly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and four hundred and twenty-seven feet perpendicularly distant southerly from the southerly street line of that portion of South Water street which extends easterly from Howard avenue; thence southwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with the straight southerly con-

tinuation of the westerly street line of Howard avenue; thence westerly in a straight line, at right angles with said street line, to its intersection with a straight line passing through the southeastern corner of T. E. Nugent & Company's wharf in West Haven, at right angles with the southerly street line of Kimberly avenue; thence northwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line passing through a point in the southeasterly face of the easterly abutment of the Kimberly avenue bridge over the main channel of West river, two hundred and thirty-seven feet distant northeasterly from the intersection of the southeasterly face of the westerly abutment of said bridge with the easterly face of the sea-wall of the West Haven Coal & Wharf Company's wharf, as measured along the southeasterly faces of the abutments of said bridge, and making an angle of fifty-seven degrees and thirty-six minutes with the southerly street line of Kimberly avenue, as measured from west to south; thence northerly along said last-described line, to its intersection with the southeasterly face of the easterly abutment of said bridge. The above-described harbor line is shown in part by the red dot-and-dash line on the map entitled "New Haven Harbor—Proposed Harbor Lines and Bulkhead Lines—Sheet No. 1," drawn to a scale to 1/2400, and dated January 6, 1913, on file in the bureau of engineering of the city of New Haven.

SEC. 2. Section thirteen of said act is amended to read as follows: A bulkhead line is hereby established in New Haven harbor along the north shore of the inner harbor, between City wharf at Waterside park and the Kimberly avenue bridge over West river, which shall commence at a point at the southern extremity of the sea-wall at said city wharf; thence northwesterly in a straight line parallel with and twenty-two feet perpendicularly distant northerly from that portion of the harbor line hereinbefore described extending northwesterly from said southern extremity of said City wharf, to the intersection of said first described line with another straight line which is parallel with and four feet perpendicularly distant northerly from that portion of the harbor line hereinbefore described, extending westerly from a point in the southerly face of George Alling's Sons Company's wharf; thence westerly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and four feet perpendicularly distant westerly from that portion of the harbor line, hereinbefore described, which runs parallel with the southerly continuation of the easterly street line of Brewery street; thence southerly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and four feet perpendicularly distant westerly from that portion of the harbor line, hereinbefore described, which runs along the easterly face of Canal wharf; thence southeasterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line passing through the angle point in the harbor line at the southern extremity of the City wharf at Waterside park, hereinbefore described, and a point in that portion of the harbor line, hereinbefore described, which runs par-

allel with the easterly street line of Hallock avenue, two hundred feet perpendicularly distant southerly from the straight easterly continuation of the northerly street line of Second street; thence southwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and four feet perpendicularly distant easterly from that portion of the harbor line, hereinbefore described, which runs northwesterly from a point at the southern extremity of Long wharf; thence northwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and three hundred and fifty feet perpendicularly distant westerly from the easterly face of the main factory building of The Sperry & Barnes Company on Long wharf; thence northwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with the straight westerly continuation of the southerly street line of that portion of Brewery street which extends northeasterly from Long wharf; thence southwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and one hundred and fifty feet perpendicularly distant westerly from that portion of the bulkhead line, hereinbefore described, which runs parallel with the easterly face of The Sperry & Barnes Company's building on Long wharf; thence southeasterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line passing through a point in the easterly face of Canal wharf, nine hundred feet distant southeasterly from the southerly street line of Brewery street, as measured along said easterly face of Canal wharf, and a point in the straight easterly continuation of the northerly street line of Second street, six hundred feet perpendicularly distant easterly from the easterly street line of Hallock avenue; thence southwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and six hundred feet perpendicularly distant easterly from the easterly street line of Hallock avenue; thence southerly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and one hundred and fifty feet perpendicularly distant southerly from the southerly street line of that portion of South Water street which extends easterly from Howard avenue; thence southwesterly along said last-described line; to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and two hundred and seventy-five feet perpendicularly distant northerly from that portion of the harbor line, hereinbefore described, extending westerly from a point in the southerly continuation of the westerly street line of Howard avenue; thence westerly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and one hundred and fifty feet perpendicularly distant easterly from that portion of the harbor line, hereinbefore described, which runs on a line passing through the southeastern corner of T. E. Nugent & Company's wharf; thence northwesterly along said last-described line, to its intersection with a straight line parallel with and four feet perpendicularly distant easterly from that portion of the harbor line, hereinbefore described, which runs northerly to a point in the southeasterly face of the easterly abutment

of the Kimberly avenue bridge over the main channel of West river; thence northerly along said last-described line to its intersection with the easterly abutment of said bridge. The above-described bulkhead line is shown by the yellow dot-and-dash line on the map entitled "New Haven Harbor—Proposed Harbor Lines and Bulkhead Lines—Sheet No. 1" drawn to a scale of 1/2400, and dated January 6, 1913, on file in the bureau of engineering of the city of New Haven.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 509.]

[318.]

AN ACT CONCERNING SALARIES IN THE CITY COURT
OF BRIDGEPORT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The salaries of the officials of the city court of Bridgeport shall be as follows: The judge, five thousand dollars; the deputy judge, thirty-five hundred dollars; the prosecuting attorney, five thousand dollars; the assistant prosecuting attorney, thirty-five hundred dollars; the clerk, twenty-five hundred dollars, and the assistant clerk, eighteen hundred dollars.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 962.]

[319.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DERBY TO RETURN TO
THE TREASURER UNUSED FUNDS OF AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All funds appropriated by the board of appropriation and taxation of the city of Derby January 28, 1921, from the revenue of the first taxation district for the river road improvement and not used shall revert to the city treasurer within thirty days after the passage of this act, and shall thereupon become unappropriated revenue of said city.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 605.]

[320.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERBURY TO ISSUE
FIRE DEPARTMENT BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Waterbury is authorized to issue bonds under the corporate name and seal of said city, to be signed by its mayor and countersigned by its clerk, to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars in the aggregate and bearing a rate of interest not exceeding five per centum per annum. Said bonds shall bear such date as the board of aldermen of said city shall determine, and shall be for the amount of one thousand dollars each, and it may be stipulated therein that the principal and interest shall be payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness. The principal of said bonds shall be paid within twenty-five years from the date thereof, and both principal and interest shall be payable at such place as the board of aldermen shall designate.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be called "Fire Department Bonds of the City of Waterbury, Series of 1921." The board of aldermen of said city shall designate the amount of such bonds that said city shall issue, not exceeding the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and shall prescribe the form of said bonds, whether with coupons or otherwise, and registered or not registered, and shall determine the place and manner of payment, and fix the rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall, at least fifteen days before the date of issue, advertise for proposals or bids for such portions of said bonds as it shall have before that time designated to be issued at said date, said proposals to be under seal and opened in public by said board of aldermen at some time and place by it appointed.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form and payable in equal amounts of five thousand dollars each, from year to year, beginning five years after their date, and commencing with bond number one, shall be paid as consecutively numbered, within a period not exceeding twenty-five years from the date of their issue.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said city and upon the inhabitants thereof in the same manner as debts lawfully contracted by municipal corporations in this state according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 5. The proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to and received by the treasurer of said city and shall be expended under the direction of the board of commissioners of public safety, and only for the purpose of erecting and constructing a new fire station on

the site now occupied by the Old Scovill street fire house, and for the construction and erection of a drill tower in said city of Waterbury.

SEC. 6. The several numbers and denominations of bonds redeemed shall be entered upon the records of said city by the city clerk, and each year the bonds redeemed shall be destroyed by the treasurer in the presence of the mayor, city clerk and comptroller of said city, who, with the treasurer, after the burning of said bonds, shall sign a certificate upon the records of the city that they were present and saw such bonds destroyed by burning, giving the serial numbers of the same.

SEC. 7. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said city.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 312.]

[321.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD,
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUING OF BONDS AND NOTES AND
RELATING TO THE SINKING FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of Hartford is authorized to issue negotiable bonds, notes or other certificates of debt under its corporate name and seal and upon the credit of the city for the purposes hereinafter specified, which bonds, notes or other certificates of debt shall be obligatory upon the city and the inhabitants thereof according to the purport and tenor of the same; provided every issue of bonds, notes or other certificates of debt made under the authority of this act for the purpose of obtaining funds for a period longer than one year shall be in serial form, payable as consecutively numbered in equal amounts each year beginning one year from date.

SEC. 2. The purposes for which said bonds, notes or other certificates of debt may be issued and for which the avails thereof shall be used are: To meet the cost of public improvements duly authorized under the charter of the city of Hartford; to raise funds in anticipation of bond issues for the purpose of financing such improvements for a temporary period previous to the issue of such bonds; to raise funds in anticipation of taxes by the issue of notes maturing in six months or less from date of issue; to redeem or refund outstanding bonds or other obligations of the city; to meet the cost in whole or in part, including damages awarded, which the city is required to defray temporarily

in connection with public improvements duly authorized where benefits assessed cannot be immediately collected, provided this authority shall be an alternative to and not a limitation of the power now granted by the charter of the city to the court of common council to provide for the issue of assessment certificates.

SEC. 3. No bonds, notes or other certificates of debt except such as are to mature in six months or less and to be paid from current taxes shall be issued under the authority of this act if such issue shall bring the total outstanding indebtedness of the city to an amount in excess of five per centum of the grand list. The grand list for the purposes of this section shall be deemed to include the assessed value of all shares of capital stock the taxes on which are required by section 1205 of the general statutes to be remitted annually to the city of Hartford by the state. In computing the total outstanding indebtedness of the city for the purposes of this section, there shall be deducted the amount of the city's sinking fund, the amount of bonds issued for the supply of water, and of such other bonds of the city as may be issued under any act of the legislature specially providing that the bonds issued thereunder shall be deducted in computing the total outstanding indebtedness of the city.

SEC. 4. Said bonds, notes or other certificates of debt may be issued from time to time whenever the court of common council of the city of Hartford in legal meeting assembled, by a majority of its members present and absent, and subject to the approval of the mayor to the extent required by the charter of the city, shall by resolution vote to issue such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt, provided the court of common council shall pass no such resolution or vote unless the board of finance has considered and acted upon the same and submitted its recommendation and report to the court of common council.

SEC. 5. The resolution for the issuance of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt to be adopted by the court of common council shall designate such name or title for the issue as seems appropriate, set forth the amount of the issue and the purpose for which its avails are to be used, and provide as to the form, rate of interest, which shall not exceed six per centum per annum, interest payment periods, the amount of each bond, note or other certificate of debt, the date of issue and maturity, the method of registration, if any, and whether the same shall carry interest coupons or otherwise, and such resolution may also provide, in connection with issues of bonds or notes for public improvements, as to whether the same shall be paid from the proceeds of benefits assessed the collection of which is anticipated, or from annual tax revenue, as the case may be, or in case of notes maturing in six months or less, by payment out of current taxes. Such resolution may also direct and prescribe the method of sale of such obligations, which may be public or private, and any of such obligations may be sold at a price less than par. Such obligations shall be signed by the mayor and

treasurer and the principal and interest thereof may be made payable in gold or otherwise as determined upon by the court of common council.

SEC. 6. The avails of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt when sold shall be applied for the purposes for which such issue was authorized by the resolution of the court of common council.

SEC. 7. The court of common council, upon recommendation of the board of finance, shall include in the annual budget such an amount as may be determined upon to be assessed and collected as a part of the regular annual taxes upon the ratable estate within the city for the purpose of paying such bonds or notes as mature during the fiscal year covered by said budget and as are designated by the resolution of the court of common council under which they are issued as intended to be paid by the proceeds of annual tax revenue.

SEC. 8. The mayor, with the approval of the board of finance, shall designate and appoint a trust company located in Hartford as agent of the city sinking fund and such appointment shall continue unless it be revoked for cause.

SEC. 9. The court of common council, upon recommendation of the board of finance, shall annually levy a tax at a rate to be determined upon, but not less than one mill on the dollar, to be assessed and collected upon the ratable estate within the city at the same time as the regular annual taxes for city expenses, for the benefit of the city sinking fund established for the purpose of paying at maturity the funded debt of the city evidenced by bonds or other obligations heretofore issued which are intended to be paid out of said sinking fund but not including any part of the water indebtedness of the city.

SEC. 10. The city collector is hereby directed to deliver the proceeds of said city sinking fund tax to the city treasurer who shall forthwith transmit such proceeds to the agent of the sinking fund.

SEC. 11. Said agent of the city sinking fund shall hold such sinking fund and the proceeds of such annual tax delivered to it by the city treasurer and any other payments transmitted to such agent under authority of the court of common council and shall invest the same and the interest received thereon with due regard to the dates of maturity of the obligations of the city payable from the sinking fund in such obligations of the United States or of this state, or of any municipality of this state, or of any other state in the United States or any municipality thereof in which trust funds may be invested under the laws of this state, giving preference to the purchase of obligations of the city of Hartford when the same can be purchased to yield a rate of return which in the judgment of said agent seems fair in comparison with other issues.

SEC. 12. The court of common council, on recommendation of the board of finance, may order transferred to the sinking fund unappropriated revenue, including proceeds received by the city from the sale or lease of city property, and may also order transferred any amount

received by the city in excess of the amount appropriated for any public improvement from the sale of an issue of bonds or notes when such issue is sold at a premium, and also may order transferred the unexpended balance of appropriations heretofore or hereafter made for public improvements when the funds required by such appropriation have been raised by bond or note issue and there remains a balance on hand unexpended after the entire cost of any such public improvement has been met.

SEC. 13. Said agent of the sinking fund shall make an annual report to the mayor who shall transmit such report to the court of common council and it shall be the duty of the comptroller to audit the accounts and funds of said agent semi-annually.

SEC. 14. No funds shall be drawn from said sinking fund except for the purpose of meeting maturing obligations of the city of Hartford and then only when determined upon by the board of finance, in which case the mayor shall draw his order upon the sinking fund agent payable to the city treasurer for the sum necessary to meet the payment of such maturing obligations.

SEC. 15. The present city sinking fund established by votes of the town of Hartford and of the court of common council of the city of Hartford shall be continued subject to the provisions of this act.

SEC. 16. An act amending the charter of the city of Hartford authorizing the borrowing of temporary funds, approved April 9, 1919, is repealed.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 122.]

[322.]

AN ACT DIVIDING THE TOWN OF COVENTRY INTO VOTING
DISTRICTS AND PROVIDING FOR BIENNIAL
TOWN MEETINGS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There shall be established in the town of Coventry two voting districts for the purpose of voting for all town, state and national officials and measures required to be voted upon by ballot at electors' and biennial town meetings. For the purpose of this act the town shall be divided by a line beginning at a stone bound on the north side of the Skinner hill road at the northeast corner of the town of Andover, thence running in a northeasterly direction to and across the Wright's Mill road at a stone bound, thence to and across the Segrave road at a stone bound, thence to and across the old Windham turnpike between North Coventry and South Coventry at a stone bound, thence to and

across the old Boston road between North Coventry and Mansfield Depot at a stone bound, thence to and across the river road at a stone bound and ending at a stone bound on the west bank of the Willimantic river. The first district shall comprise all that portion of the town lying south-east of said line and shall be called South Coventry; the second district shall comprise all that portion of the town lying northwest of said line and shall be called North Coventry.

SEC. 2. The selectmen of said town shall provide suitable and convenient places for voting in each of said districts and the necessary ballot boxes for the use of the voters in such districts at any electors' or town meetings, and the warning of any such meeting shall specify the time and place of voting in each of said districts.

SEC. 3. Immediately after the close of the polls in North Coventry at any town or electors' meeting the ballots cast at such meeting shall be counted by the election officers as provided by the general statutes and the presiding officer of such meeting shall make duplicate certificates of the votes cast and shall immediately transmit said certificates, together with the sealed ballot boxes containing the ballots cast, and the list of voters checked, to the moderator of the meeting at South Coventry. The moderator of the meeting at South Coventry having ascertained the result of the ballots as cast in said town of Coventry, shall declare the result of such election in open meeting and shall make return thereof according to law for the whole town.

SEC. 4. The registrars of voters of the town shall prepare a list of the legally qualified voters in each district and shall appoint all election officials for the town election to be held in October, 1921. The registrars for each district shall be elected at the regular town elections and shall perform the duties appertaining to registration of voters. At all town, state and national elections, except the town meeting held in October, 1921, the registrars of each voting district shall prepare a list of the legally qualified voters of said district at the time of the completion of the last revised registry list of said district and shall place on such list, under the title "to be made," the names of the electors who have resided continuously in said district for a period of six months prior to the date of such election. The registrars shall make a completed list and cause a sufficient number of copies of such list to be made for use at each election and shall deliver to the town clerk for the use of the moderator of such election not less than four copies of such list, two of men electors and two of women electors, at least three days prior to the opening of the polls. The election officials shall be appointed by the registrars in the same manner as provided by the general statutes.

SEC. 5. The hours during which the polls shall be open in said town shall be uniform. All regular and special town meetings shall be called and held at such times and places as the selectmen may appoint or the town shall vote.

SEC. 6. No elector in said town shall lose his right to vote by reason of his being registered in the wrong district, but such elector shall vote in the voting district wherein he resides, provided he shall have resided therein for a period of thirty days preceding such election, otherwise such elector shall vote in the voting district wherein he is registered.

SEC. 7. Town elections in said town shall be held biennially beginning in October, 1921. All town officers shall hold office for a term of two years or until their successors are elected and qualified, except assessors, members of the board of relief and town school committee, who shall each hold office for the term of four years or until their successors are elected and qualified. At the town election in October, 1921, two assessors, two members of the board of relief and four members of the town school committee shall be elected; one assessor, one member of the board of relief and two members of the town school committee, whose terms of office expire in October, 1923, shall continue in office until their terms expire. Other officers of the town shall be a town clerk, town treasurer, three selectmen, an agent of the town deposit fund, two auditors, seven grand jurors, seven constables and two registrars of voters in each district who shall be members of the two political parties polling the largest number of votes at the last preceding election; and such other officers as may be designated from time to time by the general statutes.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[House Bill No. 488.]

[323.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF STRATFORD TO
ISSUE SCHOOL BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Stratford, through its board of finance, is authorized to issue serial bonds under the corporate name and seal of said town, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate two hundred fifty thousand dollars. Such bonds shall be denominated "School Bonds of 1921" and the proceeds from the sale thereof shall be used for the purchase of additional land, erection of new schoolhouses and additions to schoolhouses existing in said town at the time of the passage of this act. The date under which such bonds shall be issued, the rate of interest, not exceeding six per centum per annum, and the date of maturity of the same shall be determined by the board of finance and authorized at a town meeting of said town duly warned and held for such purpose. Such bonds may be sold at either public or private sale as determined by the board of finance to be for the best interest of said

town. Such bonds shall not be sold for less than a six per centum basis and shall be signed by the first selectmen, town clerk, town treasurer and three members of the board of finance. The provisions of this act shall become operative upon approval at a town meeting duly warned and held for such purpose.

SEC. 2. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply or of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 636.]

[324.]

AN ACT MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE
BOARD OF CONTROL UNTIL JULY 1, 1921.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The sum of one million dollars is appropriated for the board of control in addition to the sum appropriated under the provisions of chapter 1 of the public acts of 1921; said sum to be expended under the provisions of and for the purpose provided in section one of said chapter.

SEC. 2. The attorney-general shall submit all reports and facts connected with any request for a deficiency which have appeared before the board of control relating to the drawing or expenditure of money by any department, official or person in excess of the appropriation to such department, official or person and for the payment of which any part of the sum appropriated in section one hereof and chapter 1 of the public acts of 1921 is applied, to the state's attorney for Hartford county who shall investigate the same and cause to be prosecuted any official, person or agent who has violated the law relating to appropriations and the limitation of expenditures in connection therewith.

SEC. 3. The superior court for Hartford county shall have jurisdiction of all offenses and violations of the provisions of the general statutes relating to or in connection with any appropriation made by the general assembly.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, May 18, 1921.

[House Bill No. 350.]

[325.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE LITCHFIELD
COUNTY HOSPITAL OF WINCHESTER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of a resolution consolidating The Litchfield County Hospital and The Litchfield County Hospital of Winchester under the name of The Litchfield County Hospital of Winchester, approved March 6, 1901, is amended to read as follows: That The Litchfield County Hospital, a corporation chartered by the general assembly of the state of Connecticut, at the January session thereof, 1895, and The Winchester Hospital Association, a corporation chartered by the said general assembly, at the January session thereof, 1899, which corporation is now existing under the name of The Litchfield County Hospital of Winchester, as changed and established by the superior court for Litchfield county, at the February term thereof, 1900; and the individual incorporators and charter members of said corporations, as appears by their aforesaid respective charters, and such other persons as shall, from time to time, be associated with them for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a hospital in the town of Winchester in said Litchfield county, and their successors forever, be and they hereby are consolidated and incorporated for that purpose, and are made and constituted a body politic and corporate by and under the name of The Litchfield County Hospital of Winchester, and by that name may purchase, take, receive, hold, sell, convey, lease and otherwise have and dispose of any and all estate, real and personal, and may receive and hold devises, legacies, bequests, donations, appropriations and gifts, whether or not a will has already been probated giving any devise, legacy or bequest for a hospital, or the furnishing thereof, or to be used, or the use thereof, for a hospital in said Winchester, to such an amount as may be necessary for the purposes of said corporation not to exceed one million dollars, all of which shall be exempt from taxation; may provide terms of admission to membership; may make and execute such by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to the laws of this state or of the United States, as shall be deemed necessary for the proper management of the affairs of said corporation. Each member shall be entitled to one vote at all meetings of the corporation.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 43.]

[326.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR IMPROVING THE
ARMORY GROUNDS IN TORRINGTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of eleven hundred and ninety dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to be expended under the direction and supervision of the military emergency board in the construction of a sidewalk and curbing on the northerly side of the state armory in the town of Torrington and, in conjunction with said town, in the grading of the grounds of said armory in the rear thereof and in the erection and construction of a wall along the easterly line of said armory grounds adjacent to the grounds of The Elizabeth Blake Fuessenich Park in Torrington.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 331.]

[327.]

AN ACT REIMBURSING LOUIS KATZMAN OF HARTFORD FOR
INJURIES SUSTAINED BY REASON OF BEING STRUCK
BY A VEHICLE OWNED BY THE STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of seven hundred dollars in favor of Louis Katzman of Hartford, for injuries sustained and damages suffered as a result of being struck by a motor vehicle owned by the state and used by the state sanatorium at Newington.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 627.]

[328.]

AN ACT CHANGING A CERTAIN BOUNDARY LINE BETWEEN
THE CITIES OF ANSONIA AND DERBY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The boundary line between the cities of Ansonia and Derby from the intersection of Clifton avenue in Ansonia with Atwater avenue in Derby

at the westerly line of said avenues to the intersection of Wakelee avenue in Ansonia with Seymour avenue in Derby at the easterly side of said avenues shall be three feet northerly of the southerly curb line of Division street as established by the city of Ansonia, December 10, 1909.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 250.]

[329.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE MORNINGSIDE ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All the present and future proprietors of real estate within the limits hereinafter specified in the locality known as Morningside in the town of Milford are constituted a body corporate by the name of The Morningside Association, and by that name they and their successors shall be a corporation in law, capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, in all courts, and of borrowing money to carry out the purposes of said association, limited as follows: By issuing notes to mature not more than one year from date bearing such rate of interest as the executive board may determine, said outstanding notes at no time to exceed an amount equal to an assessment of ten mills on the assessed valuation of the taxable property included in said association, as determined as hereinafter provided; and also of purchasing or otherwise acquiring, improving, holding and conveying any estate, real or personal. Said association may take any land, easement therein or rights appurtenant thereto, situated within the limits of said association, as hereinafter specified, when required by said association for the purpose of drainage, riparian rights for wharves, establishing parks or establishing, constructing or maintaining sewers or sewage disposal plants, upon paying to the owner thereof just compensation. If said association fails to agree with said owner upon the amount of compensation to be paid therefor, it may bring its petition to the superior court for New Haven county in which said association is situated, praying that such compensation may be determined, and shall proceed in the same manner as provided in section 5186 of the general statutes for the taking of land by condemnation for certain purposes. Said association shall have a common seal, with the privilege of altering it at pleasure.

SEC. 2. The object of this association is to provide for the care and improvement of the lands in said district and for the health, comfort, protection and convenience of persons living therein.

SEC. 3. The limits and territory of said The Morningside Association are hereby defined and established as follows: All the right, title,

interest, claim and demand which Henry G. Thompson had at the time of his death, or which his executors have or ought to have in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and all other improvements thereon, situated in the town of Milford, and containing eighty-one acres, more or less, and bounded: North by land formerly of Charles Merwin, later of George W. Smith; east by Long Island sound; south by land now or formerly of Caleb Merwin and by land now or formerly of Israel A. Merwin and Caleb T. Merwin; and west by land formerly of Benedict Merwin and land now or formerly of Charles A. Merwin, each in part; also all water rights, wharf rights, riparian rights and privileges connected with and appurtenant to the above-described premises. The limits and territory of said The Morningside Association may be extended at any time so as to include any other land by the written consent of the owner of such other land in an instrument describing the same and the terms of such annexation, and the acceptance of such other land as a part of said territory by said association, which consent and acceptance shall be recorded on the records of said association and in the land records of the town where such other land is situated, and thereupon such other land shall be within the limits and territory of said association, and the owner or owners of such other land while they are owners thereof shall be a part of said body politic and corporate.

SEC. 4. At any meeting of said association any owner of a piece of land or of a freehold interest therein within the limits of said association who shall have arrived at the age of twenty-one years shall be entitled to one vote for each one hundred dollars of the value of such land or interest therein owned by such person at the time of such meeting, as such value shall appear upon the assessors' lists of the municipal corporation where it is situated last completed before such meeting, in whatever name the same may stand on said lists, provided he or she shall have delivered to the executive board the statement described in section seventeen in the manner therein provided. If, at the time of the meeting, the valuation of the land or interest therein of any owner or owners does not appear in separate form on such lists the executive board shall fix such valuation as provided in section seventeen of this charter for the determination by it of the valuation of such land or interest for the purpose of assessment and apportionment, and any owner of such land or interest therein at such time, if said owner shall have arrived at the age of twenty-one years, shall be entitled to vote at such meeting in the same manner as such person would be if such valuation appeared upon said assessors' lists as provided above. The directors of any corporation, except said association, owning land within the limits of said association, may appoint in writing an agent to vote for such corporation at any meeting, and for the purpose of such voting said agent shall have the same power and right to vote at such meeting that any owner who had arrived at the age of twenty-one years would have if

he owned the same land as provided above. Every person entitled to take part and vote in any meeting of said association may do so by proxy appointed in writing in any usual form, and any such proxy, unless revoked or unless limited by its terms to a less period, shall continue in force until the final adjournment of the annual meeting next after its date. When any interest in land within said limits is owned by a minor, or is in the name or control of any guardian, administrator, executor, conservator or trustee, the cestui que trust shall have no right to vote or appoint such proxy, but such guardian, administrator, executor, conservator or trustee shall be deemed the owner thereof for the purpose of voting. A quorum at any meeting shall consist of qualified voters and proxies entitled to vote upon land constituting at least fifty-one per centum in value of the aggregate value of all the land within the limits of said Morningside as shown by said assessors' lists last before completed, exclusive of land owned by the association, and a majority of all the votes cast by the qualified voters present or represented at any meeting shall determine any question at any meeting of said association except as otherwise provided herein; but no action of said association shall be effectual to release any general restriction or obligation imposed upon all or substantially all of the now plotted land in said Morningside by deed of Yale Land Company to Frederick B. Curtis, dated August 18, 1917, recorded in volume one hundred nine on page five hundred fifty-three of the land records of the town of Milford, and similar prior or subsequent deeds by grantors to other persons, unless said vote shall be certified by authority of said association and recorded in the land records of the town or towns in which said Morningside is situated, nor unless persons owning at least four-fifths in value of said association, exclusive of land owned by said association, such value to be ascertained in the same manner as herein provided for determining the number of votes of said owners, shall execute and record in said land records in the manner required to convey a freehold interest in land, an instrument assenting to or confirming said release. If any person occupying one of the fiduciary offices named in section four desires to be entitled to act as a voter he shall file with the executive board legal evidence of his appointment and qualification as such fiduciary. The clerk of the association shall keep on record a list of names of all persons legally qualified and entitled to vote and the number of votes to which said person is entitled. Any person having duly qualified as a voter in this association shall be entitled to vote at any meeting so long as he continues a qualified voter, but any dispute or question as to the right of any person to vote at any meeting or as to the number of votes he is entitled to cast shall be determined by said meeting.

SEC. 5. The first meeting of the members of said association shall be held in the month of June, 1921, at such time and place, within the limits of said The Morningside Association, as the following persons, or a majority of them, shall appoint: Frederick H. B. Fowler, William

T. Yale, William Cowlshaw, William R. Hoppen, Frederick B. Curtis, Albert H. Kirtland, William McKay Higgins, Alanson B. Walker, Samuel Taylor, Richard Johnson, George B. Scoville, Frank P. Hyde and M. F. Cross. Said meeting shall be held for the purpose of electing an executive board to consist of five resident members of The Morningside Association as provided in section four, who shall hold office until others shall be chosen in their places. Notice of the time and place appointed for said first meeting shall be signed by at least five of the above-named persons and shall be sent by mail to each member of the association at least five days before the time appointed for said meeting. Said executive board shall be elected by ballot and the polls for the election of said executive board shall be open at half-past seven in the evening and remain open until half-past eight of the same evening. The five members receiving the highest number of votes shall be considered elected as the executive board. Annual meetings of the association shall thereafter be held on the third Saturday in July at such hour and place within said district as the executive board shall select, and such executive board shall be elected annually at such meeting in the manner hereinbefore provided. Special meetings of said association may be held and warned in such manner as the by-laws may prescribe; provided the notice shall specify the object for which any such meeting is to be held.

SEC. 6. Notice of the annual and of all special meetings of the association shall be signed by the president or by the vice-president and by two other members of the executive board, and may be given by mail or personally. In case they are given by mail, written notice of the time and place of such meetings shall be sent at least five days before the time appointed, by letter mailed in New Haven county by the clerk and addressed to each member of said association at his last known address, or at such address, if any, as may have been registered by such voter with the clerk of the association. If no such address is registered with said clerk, it shall be conclusive evidence that the mailing to such member at his last known address of any notice called for or given under or by virtue of the charter or by-laws of The Morningside Association shall be a sufficient delivery of such notice. Personal notice may be given by leaving with such member a written notice of said time and place of meeting, at least five days before the time appointed.

SEC. 7. The executive board elected at the meeting in June, 1921, and each succeeding board, shall hold its first regular meeting on the evening of their election, and notice of the time and place of meeting shall be given by the clerk of the association in the manner hereinafter provided; said board shall elect by ballot from its own members a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and clerk of said association, and said treasurer and clerk may be the same person, who shall hold office until the third Saturday in July next succeeding or until their successors shall be appointed, and said president and secretary shall

also be president and secretary of said executive board. The duties of each of these officers shall be as defined by the by-laws of said association. It shall be the duty of such president or secretary, on the signed request of any three members of said board, to call a meeting of said board; notice of such meeting shall be given by leaving with or at the usual place of abode of each member a written notice signed by said president or secretary specifying the time and place of such meeting, or by sending such notice by mail at least twenty-four hours before said meeting. A majority of said executive board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting thereof.

SEC. 8. The executive board shall have the care, custody and management of all funds and property of the association, and when assembled according to law, shall have power to make regulations for the management, control and improvement of such property and its transfer and conveyance; also to make regulations concerning the time and place of meetings of said executive board and of said association, so far as they are not inconsistent with any of the special provisions of this act; also to regulate the method of assessment and collection of taxes for association purposes; and also to prescribe the duties and compensation of all officers and employees of the association. The president, vice-president, clerk, secretary and treasurer shall serve without compensation, except that they shall receive their actual expenses, but the executive board may authorize the clerk and treasurer, or either of them, to employ assistants, to whom compensation may be paid. The amount thereof shall be determined by the executive board.

SEC. 9. Said executive board shall possess power, when legally assembled, to pass, amend or repeal by-laws, regulations and ordinances to accomplish the objects specified in section two of this act, and particularly for the purpose of establishing, constructing, operating and maintaining streets, sidewalks, piers, wharves, sea-walls, breakwaters and sewage and garbage disposal plants; provided that sidewalks shall not be ordered constructed except on petition being presented to the executive board, signed by a majority of the persons owning property abutting on one or both sides of a street, praying that sidewalks be constructed on one or both sides of such street, and upon the receipt of such petition the board when legally assembled and after due notice to all the property owners on such street and a hearing being held, shall possess power to order sidewalks, curb and gutters laid on one or both sides of such street, as the case may be, the kind and the time within which the work is to be done to be determined by said board; and establishing, constructing, operating and maintaining sewerage and garbage systems, which establishment or construction shall not be undertaken unless said executive board be so authorized by The Morningside Association, by a two-thirds vote of the members present or represented at any annual or special meeting, and to make rules for their preservation and safe-keeping; to regulate the erection of all lamp posts and tele-

graph, telephone and electric light posts and the wires and fixtures thereof; to provide for the public lighting and watering of the streets and the care and maintenance of said streets within the limits of said association; to regulate the planting, removal, protection and preservation of trees in the streets; to keep the streets and all public places within the limits of said association quiet and free from all undue noise and to prohibit the crying of newspapers and other wares on Sunday or at any unusual hours upon the streets of said association; to regulate the observance of the Fourth of July and any other holiday, to the end that undue noise may be prevented and the fire hazard diminished; to regulate and prevent the use of pigpens and the deposit of rubbish within the limits of said association; to compel the removal from any place in said association of all nuisances injurious to health or offensive or annoying to the public, at the expense of the owner of the premises where such nuisance exists; to prevent and regulate the removal and manner of removal of any offensive manure, swill, nightsoil or other substance upon the streets or within the limits of said association; to prevent and regulate the carrying on within said association limits of any business prejudicial to public health or dangerous to or constituting an unreasonable annoyance to those living or owning property in the vicinity thereof; to regulate the naming of streets; to establish building lines and regulate the construction of buildings; and said executive board may also prescribe fines and penalties for a violation of any such by-laws, ordinances or regulations, not exceeding twenty-five dollars for any one offense, and the penalties may be recovered in any proper action brought for that purpose in the name of The Morningside Association before any court having jurisdiction, for the the use and benefit of said association; and the violation of any such by-law or ordinance imposing a fine shall be a misdemeanor, and may be prosecuted by a grand juror or prosecuting attorney of the town of Milford, as in other criminal cases.

SEC. 10. Said executive board may order the owner or owners of any land fronting on any highway within the limits of said association to repair sidewalks, curbs or gutters, within the highway adjacent to said land, in the manner and in the time specified in said order, and upon petition as hereinbefore set forth, may order such owners to construct sidewalks, curbs or gutters of the kind, in the manner, and at the time specified in said order, at such grade as may have been established in said highway. Notice of such order shall be signed and served in the same manner as prescribed for notice for meetings of the association. In case any land affected by any such order or by any assessment or tax shall be holden by two or more persons jointly or two or more persons shall have different estates therein, said executive board may apportion between such persons the expense of carrying out such order or the amount of such assessment of tax. If any such owner shall neglect or refuse to comply with such order said executive board

may cause the work required by said order to be done, and the expense so incurred shall from the time when said work is begun be and continue a lien in favor of said association upon said land and may be collected by suit or foreclosure in the name of said association.

SEC. 11. Any party who may be aggrieved by any order of the executive board, making any assessment of benefits or damages, or requiring the construction of any sidewalk, curb or gutter, or the payment of any part of the expense thereof, may appeal therefrom in the manner prescribed in sections 475, 477 and 478 of the general statutes, and with like effect.

SEC. 12. Said executive board shall constitute and be a board of health of said association, and shall have, within the limits of said association, all the power given by law to town, city and borough health officers, except in relation to contagious diseases.

SEC. 13. Said executive board may appoint police officers to act within the limits of said association, who shall have all the powers of constables within said district, for the purpose of making arrests for violation of law or of the regulations and by-laws of said association, and said executive board may fix the compensation of such police officers.

SEC. 14. Said executive board shall establish a public sign-post within the limits of said The Morningside Association, and may make, establish and adopt forms or orders and notices to be used under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 15. No by-law or ordinance shall take effect or be enforced until the same has been posted for at least ten days on the public signpost of said association. A certificate of the clerk of said association of the due posting of any by-law or ordinance shall be prima facie evidence of such posting.

SEC. 16. Said executive board shall not, within any one year, lay any tax exceeding in amount eight mills on the dollar of the assessed value of the real estate within said The Morningside Association, as appears by the assessment list hereinafter provided for, except when duly authorized by said association. Said executive board shall prepare and submit to said association at the annual meeting a budget showing the estimated expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year. Nothing contained in this section shall prevent said association from borrowing money and issuing notes or other obligations, as set forth in section one hereof.

SEC. 17. It shall be the duty of the clerk of said board, on or before the first day of July of each year, to prepare an assessment list of all the real estate in said district, including therein the value of houses, buildings and improvements thereon, placing in the name of each member of the association such lands, buildings and improvements as are assessed to such member on the last assessment list of the town of Mil-

ford, at the value at which they stand assessed on said assessment list. When any piece of land so assessed on the list of the town of Milford shall be partly within and partly without said district, said clerk shall assess such part within the district in the proportion which the part within the district bears to the whole tract so assessed, using his best judgment as to such value. Said clerk shall, on or before the first day of July, report said list to the executive board, which shall revise said list, and it shall then be and constitute the assessment list for said The Morningside Association. Said list shall be so revised and completed and recorded by the clerk in the books of the association, on or before the tenth day of July, and said assessment list shall be open to inspection by any member of the association.

SEC. 18. Any person claiming to be aggrieved by any such proportional valuation by said board may appeal to the superior court in the manner provided by the general statutes for appeals from boards of relief.

SEC. 19. The executive board elected at the first annual meeting and each executive board elected annually thereafter shall, within ten days after its election, annually, lay a tax, for the purposes and based on the budget hereinbefore specified, of not exceeding fifteen mills on the dollar of the total value of said real estate as shown by the assessment list hereinbefore provided for, and may appoint a collector, to collect said tax, and rate bills shall be made out and signed by said board, and warrants may be issued for the collection of money due on such rate bills, pursuant to the provisions of section 1278 of the general statutes.

SEC. 20. Written notice of the rate of such tax and of the amount apportioned to each member of the association shall be sent by the clerk of the executive board within ten days from the laying of said tax, and said tax shall be due and payable within thirty days from the sending of such notice, and if such tax be not paid when due, it shall bear interest at the rate of nine per centum per annum from the date when it was so payable. The collector shall have all the power of collectors of town taxes and shall be accountable to the executive board in the same manner as town collectors are accountable to selectmen, and shall pay over the taxes as soon as collected to the treasurer of the association. Every such tax shall be a lien upon the property upon which it shall be laid for one year from the time of the laying of said tax, and may be collected by suit in the name of said association, or by foreclosure of said lien. Said lien may be continued by certificate to be recorded in the land records of the town of Milford, pursuant to the provisions of section 1308 of the general statutes.

SEC. 21. The executive board may, by a majority vote of those present at any meeting, defer or abate the taxes assessed as aforesaid upon any such person or persons as are in the judgment of said board unable to pay the same, causing a proper entry to be made on its records.

SEC. 22. The Morningside Association shall within its limits build and repair all necessary highways and bridges, and said association alone shall be liable to any person injured in person or property by reason of any defective road or bridge therein.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 309.]

[330.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
NEW LONDON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The territorial limits and boundaries of the corporation of the city of New London shall henceforth be the same as the territorial limits and boundaries of the town of New London.

SEC. 2. The electors of the state dwelling within the limits hereinbefore specified shall be a body politic and corporate by the name of the city of New London, and as such shall have perpetual succession, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all suits of whatever nature, and may have a common seal and alter or change the same at pleasure.

SEC. 3. The city of New London shall have power: To acquire real or personal property, within or without the city, in furtherance of any power granted by this charter or the laws of the state, by purchase, gift, devise, condemnation, lease or lease with privilege to purchase, and to hold, lease, sell, manage, improve and control such property as fully as though a natural person; to provide for the due execution, authentication and delivery of deeds, grants and releases of city property, or contracts, and evidences of indebtedness issued by the city; to assess, levy and collect taxes for general or special purposes on all property, subjects and objects which the city may lawfully tax; to regulate the methods of assessing and collecting taxes for city purposes, and to regulate the method of borrowing money for any purpose for which taxes may be levied; to borrow money on the faith and credit of the city, by the issue and sale of bonds or notes of the city, for such general or special purposes, and to the extent, authorized by law; to provide for the manner of keeping and auditing the accounts of the city and of adjusting and paying claims of the city; to levy and collect assessments for local improvements upon property benefited thereby; to appropriate the moneys of the city for all lawful purposes and to provide for the management, regulation and control of the finances and accounts of the city; to establish, maintain and prescribe the duties of a city watch and a city police force, with jurisdiction within the city and over all property of the city outside the limits thereof, and

to confer upon watchmen and policemen the ordinary powers of constables of towns; to make and enforce police, sanitary and other similar regulations applicable within the city and to all property of the city outside the limits thereof; to define, prohibit, abate, suppress and prevent, within the city, all nuisances and causes thereof and all things detrimental to the health, morals, safety, convenience and welfare of its inhabitants, and to cause the abatement of any nuisance at the expense of the owner or owners of the premises upon which such nuisance exists; to punish resistance, hindrance or obstruction of public officers in the discharge of their duties; to preserve the public peace and good order and to prevent and quell riots and disorderly assemblages; to prevent vice, suppress gambling houses, houses of ill fame and disorderly houses and to punish gambling and policy playing; to provide for such inspection service within and without the city, and to make such regulations, as may be necessary to insure the purity and wholesomeness of food products sold within the city; to do all things necessary or desirable to secure and promote the public health; to provide for the appointment of inspectors and for the inspection of lumber, timber and produce of all kinds brought to the city for sale or exportation; to regulate weights and measures in accordance with the lawful standards thereof; to regulate the measuring, inspecting and manner of selling wood, coal and charcoal and the sale of goods by public auction in the city; to license, require license fees for, prohibit or regulate the peddling or vending of merchandise or any article of trade within the streets and other public places of the city, and to regulate, license and require license fees of persons who desire to sell any kind of goods or wares for short spaces of time and who only temporarily occupy storerooms; but such ordinances shall not hinder or interfere with the sale within the city of the produce of the farms and gardens of the state; to regulate and prohibit the going at large of dogs and other animals in the streets and public places of the city and to prevent cruelty to animals and all inhuman sports; to prohibit, restrain, license or regulate all sports, exhibitions, public amusements and performances, and all places where games may be played for pay; to regulate or prohibit games, coasting and sliding on the streets and sidewalks of the city; to provide for and regulate the burial of the dead, to provide for the care of burial grounds in or within the jurisdiction of the city, to prohibit interments in such grounds when it may be deemed expedient for the public health and to provide for the protection and preservation of the fences, posts, railings, monuments, trees or shrubbery within or around burial grounds, streets or public places of the city; to regulate the speed of animals, vehicles and cars, and the driving or leading of animals through the streets; to license or regulate all public vehicles, regulate the charges of hackmen, cartmen, truckmen, expressmen, public drivers and other carriers and to regulate all public conveyances in their use of the streets and provide public stands therefor; to keep the streets and public places free from

undue noise and to prevent tumultuous or disorderly noises or disturbances in the night season and on Sundays; to regulate or prohibit the erection or use, and to require the removal of sinks, cesspools, styes, drains, sewers, privies, barns and outhouses; to prevent illegal voting; to protect from defacement or injury all public buildings; public monuments and other public property in the city, and the fences by which any lands are enclosed, and to provide for the care of grounds upon which monuments are or may be erected; to organize, maintain and regulate a fire department, provide the necessary apparatus for extinguishing fires and do all other things necessary or desirable to protect the city from fire; to license, regulate or prohibit the keeping, storing, selling or use of any explosive or inflammable substances or materials within the city or their conveyance into, through and out of the city; to regulate the construction, reconstruction, materials, location, height, maintenance, use and occupancy of buildings; to provide for the care and support of the poor and to devise and employ means for the relief and prevention of poverty and destitution; and the powers and duties of selectmen of the town of New London relative to paupers as now provided or as may hereafter be provided by law shall, unless otherwise expressly provided, be exercised by the city of New London in conformity with this act; to provide public entertainments and amusements for the people of the city; to establish, lay out, construct, widen, straighten, extend, grade, improve, maintain and vacate streets, alleys and other public ways, and to establish, improve, maintain and vacate parks, public places and grounds of all kinds; to establish building lines on the lands abutting on any street, highway or public place, between which lines and any such street, highway or public place no building or part thereof shall be erected; to create, provide for, construct, regulate and maintain all things in the nature of public works and improvements; to regulate and control the use, for whatever purposes, of the streets and other public places of the city; to provide a public water supply, and to establish, maintain, extend and control water works; and said city shall have all the powers conferred by the provisions of an act to provide the city of New London with a supply of pure and wholesome water, approved July 5, 1871, and acts amendatory thereof; and, except as otherwise provided in this charter, such powers conferred by said act of July 5, 1871, and acts amendatory thereof, upon the city, the board of water commissioners and the board of water and sewer commissioners, shall be exercised in behalf of said city by such officers, and boards and in such manner as the council may prescribe by ordinance; to adopt plans for the construction or extension of the sewerage system of the city; and may lay out, contract for, construct, maintain and repair sewers and surface drains with lateral branches to street lines in, through, under, over, into and along any highway, watercourse, river, cove, wharf, harbor or any other place or property, public or private, as it may find expedient and necessary

and may enter upon, take, occupy and appropriate any such place or property, real or personal, or any rights, privileges or easements therein; and shall have all the powers and authority conferred by the laws of this state for such purposes, and such other powers as shall be necessary for the performance of its duties; to provide for lighting the streets, highways, avenues and other public places of the city and for the care and preservation of public lamps, lamp posts and fixtures; to make regulations relative to wharves, channels and docks, wharf lines, bulkhead lines for coves, and the anchorage and mooring of vessels; to provide that wharves and docks shall be kept in such manner as not to endanger the health of inhabitants of the city or interfere with or obstruct the entrance of vessels to any wharf or dock or their departure therefrom; to provide for putting any wharf or dock into a sanitary and orderly condition and for assessing the expense thereof in whole or in part against the proprietor thereof; and to provide for and regulate the quarantining of vessels; to locate, build, equip, maintain, operate and lease public docks, wharves and landings upon the westerly bank of the Thames river, within the limits of the city, and to make such docks, wharves and landings easy of access to vessels by building and maintaining along said river, within the same limits, embankments, dykes and other structures and obtaining a suitable depth of water by dredging, excavating or otherwise removing, sand, earth and other deposits from the bed of such river within the limits aforesaid; to maintain and operate a ferry across the Thames river between New London and the town of Groton and to determine the service thereof and fix the charges therefor subject to control by the public utilities commission of the state; to establish public bath houses and bathing beaches and to regulate or prohibit swimming or bathing in public or exposed places within the city; to prevent and punish trespassers in gardens, cemeteries and enclosures; to regulate or prohibit the excavation, altering or opening of streets, sidewalks, highways, public places and grounds and the leaving upon, above or under the surface thereof, whether temporarily or permanently, of any work, material or thing and to regulate or prohibit the removal of buildings upon or through the streets or other public places of the city; to regulate or prohibit the placing, erecting or keeping of signs, awnings or other things upon or over the sidewalks, streets and public places of the city; to regulate or prohibit the laying of gas pipes, water pipes, drains, sewers and other structures and fixtures in the streets and public places of the city; to control the distribution of space, for whatever purpose, in, over, under or across all streets and public places of the city; to prohibit the discharge of drains from roofs or buildings over or upon the sidewalks; to require owners of land adjacent to any sidewalk or public walk to remove snow, ice and sleet therefrom, and upon their failure to do so to cause such snow, ice or sleet to be removed and the expense thereof to be made a debt due the city and added to the tax bill of the owner

of such land next to be made out, and to hold such land for the payment thereof in the same manner as for the remainder of such tax bill; to purchase, harvest, manufacture and sell ice, to establish a plant for the manufacture of ice and to do all other acts incident to harvesting, housing, manufacturing or selling of ice; to provide by ordinance for regulating the emission of smoke from any chimney, smoke stack or other source within the limits of the city, prescribe penalties for the violation of any such ordinance and provide for the enforcement thereof through inspectors or otherwise; to provide for the collection of city taxes and for regulating the duties of the city tax collector; to establish and maintain a system of public schools, and to appropriate the money of the city in aid of, and otherwise co-operate with, local schools supported in part by income from endowments and not under the control of the board of school visitors; to enter into or upon any land for the purpose of making necessary surveys in connection with any public improvements or proposed public improvement authorized by this act; and shall have power to take by eminent domain any lands, rights, easements, privileges, franchises or construction which may be necessary in the judgment of the council for the purpose of establishing, constructing or maintaining a system or systems of water supply; a system or systems of sewerage and drainage; schools and school purposes; wharves, highways, public places and grounds, parks and all things in the nature of public works and improvements and to establish building lines, and said city may, through its city manager with the approval of the council and the board of compensation, agree with the owner or owners of any such land, rights, easements, privileges, franchises or construction as to the amount of compensation to be paid to such owner or owners for the same; and in case of disagreement between said city manager and the owner or owners as to such compensation or as to the amount of damages to be awarded to any person claiming to be injured by the doings of said city or in case the owner shall be an infant, or insane or absent from the state, or unknown, or the owner of an uncertain or contingent interest, then such land, rights, easements, privileges, franchises or construction may be condemned and taken and compensation fixed or benefits and damages ascertained by the board of compensation as hereinafter provided; to prescribe the form and amount of bonds to be given by the treasurer and other officers of the city and the forms of oaths or affirmations required of officers and employees; to establish, combine and abolish departments and offices within the limits prescribed by this act and to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of officers and employees when not prescribed or fixed herein; to prescribe penalties and forfeitures for the violation of any ordinance made in pursuance of the provisions of this act; to pass such ordinances, in pursuance of the powers granted by this act or by any law, as may be deemed expedient for maintaining and promoting the peace, safety,

good government and welfare of the city and for the performance of the functions thereof.

SEC. 4. The enumeration of powers by this act shall not be held or deemed to be exclusive but, in addition to the powers enumerated herein, implied thereby and appropriate to the exercise thereof, the city of New London shall have and may exercise all powers that now are or hereafter may be granted to cities and towns by the constitution and laws of Connecticut; and all the powers of the city shall be exercised and enforced in the manner prescribed in this act or, when not so prescribed, then in such manner as may be provided by ordinance of the council.

SEC. 5. The violation of any ordinance of the city of New London shall be a misdemeanor and may be prosecuted as such before the police court of the city in the same manner as any other offense, and such court may impose therefor the penalty prescribed by such ordinance and enforce the same in the manner judgments of the courts are enforced in other cases.

ELECTIONS.

SEC. 6. Every elector of this state, qualified to vote in the town of New London, residing within the territorial limits of the city of New London and registered according to law shall have the right to vote at all city elections. Any voter who shall change his residence from one ward to another during the thirty days preceding a city election, shall not be entitled to vote at such election in the ward to which he removes but shall be entitled to vote in the ward from which he has removed as though he had not removed therefrom.

SEC. 7. For the purpose of conducting elections, provisions shall be made by ordinance for dividing the city into wards composed of contiguous and compact territory and as nearly equal in population as may be. Until such provision is made by ordinance the wards existing at the time of the adoption of this act shall continue to be the wards of the city for the purposes required by this act and the election laws of the state.

SEC. 8. The registrars of voters of the town of New London shall be the registrars of voters for the city of New London and they shall each appoint some suitable person as assistant registrar in each ward. The registrars, in making out the lists required by law to be made out by them, shall prepare separate lists of the electors in each ward for the use of the assistant registrars thereof. Such lists shall be prepared at the expense of the city and shall be delivered to the assistant registrars before sunset of the day preceding any city election.

SEC. 9. Any elector of the city of New London, who has been for the year next preceding his election a resident thereof, shall be eligible to any elective office provided for by this act.

SEC. 10. A city election for the choice of officers shall be held on the second Monday in September of each year, and an additional city election for the choice of officers may be held, as hereinafter provided, on the fourth Monday in September of any year and both shall be deemed regular city elections. At all city elections the ballot boxes shall be kept open from such time in the forenoon to such time in the afternoon as prescribed by law for general state elections.

SEC. 11. Any elector eligible to a place to be filled by election as provided in this act may be placed in nomination therefor by petition filed with the city clerk and signed by electors of the city equal in number to at least one per centum of those who voted at the last preceding regular city election. The signatures to a nominating petition need not all be appended to one paper but to each separate paper there shall be attached an affidavit of the circulator thereof, stating that each signature appended thereto was made in his presence and is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. Each signer of a petition shall sign his name in ink or indelible pencil and, after his name, shall designate his residence by street and number or other description sufficient to identify the place, and give the date when his signature was made. No elector shall sign petitions for more candidates for any office than the number of places to be filled therein at the forthcoming election.

SEC. 12. The form of nominating petition papers shall be substantially as follows: We, the undersigned, hereby present..... whose residence is.....New London, Connecticut, for the office of.....,to be voted for at the election to be held on theday of September,.....; and we individually certify that we are qualified to vote for candidates for the above office and that we have not signed more nominating petitions than there are places to be filled therein at the said election.

Name	Street and Number	Date
.....
.....

State of Connecticut, }
 County of New London, } ss

.....being of full age and duly cautioned and sworn, deposes and says that he is the circulator of this petition paper and that the signatures appended thereto were made in his presence and are the genuine signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be.

Signed.....

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....day of19....

.....
 Notary Public.

SEC. 13. All separate papers comprising a nominating petition shall be assembled and filed with the city clerk as one instrument at least thirty days prior to the next succeeding second Monday in September. Within five days after the filing of the nominating petition the clerk shall notify the person named therein as a candidate whether such petition is found to be signed by the required number of qualified electors. Any eligible person placed in nomination as hereinbefore provided shall have his name printed on the ballots, if, within five days after such notification, he shall have filed with the city clerk a written acceptance of the nomination.

SEC. 14. Ballots used in city elections held under this act shall be without party mark or designation. Each elector may vote for as many candidates for any office as there are places to be filled therein; but any ballot marked for more candidates than there are places to be filled shall not be counted for any candidates for the office for which it is so marked. Except that the names of candidates shall appear in the spaces indicated therefor, and that the spaces left for the date of the election and the number of candidates to be voted for shall be filled with such date and numbers respectively, the ballots shall be in form substantially as follows:

SEC. 15. The names of candidates on all ballots used in city elections shall be printed in rotation as follows: The ballots shall be printed in as many series as there are candidates for the office for which there is the greatest number of candidates. The whole number of ballots to be printed shall be divided by the number of series and the quotient so obtained shall be the number of ballots to be printed in each series. In printing the first series of ballots the names of candidates for each office shall be arranged in the alphabetical order of their surnames under the title thereof. After printing the first series the first name in each list of candidates for the various offices shall be placed last in such list and the next series printed, and this process shall be repeated until each name in the largest list of candidates shall have been printed first an equal number of times. The ballots so printed shall be combined in tablets to be supplied to the various voting places. Each tablet shall contain substantially the same number of ballots from each series and, so far as practicable, the ballots shall be combined in such manner that two or more from the same series shall not be together in a tablet.

SEC. 16. As many blank spaces shall be left on the ballots below the printed names of candidates for each office as there are places to be filled in such office. In any such space an elector may write the name of any eligible person and votes cast for such persons shall be counted as though for candidates whose names are printed on the ballots.

SEC. 17. On the tenth day prior to the city election to be held on the second Monday in September the city clerk shall cause notice thereof to be published at least three times in such daily newspaper, or newspapers, of general circulation in the city as the council may have designated. Such published notice shall contain a list of the candidates for each office whose names are entitled to be printed on the official ballots, state the time of holding the election and designate a voting place in each ward. On the fifth day before a city election to be held on the fourth Monday in September, the clerk, under like conditions, shall cause a similar notice to be published concerning that election.

SEC. 18. A candidate for any office receiving a majority of the votes cast at a city election held on the second Monday in September shall be declared elected. If candidates equal in number to the number of places to be filled in any office do not receive such majority, a city election shall be held on the next succeeding fourth Monday in September for the purpose of filling the remaining places. The candidates for any office at the election held on the second Monday in September, except those elected thereat, who receive the highest votes shall have their names printed on the ballots for the election held on the fourth Monday in September in number equal to twice the number of places remaining to be filled. If, by reason of their receiving the same number of votes, it cannot be determined which of two or more candidates shall have his name, or their names, printed on such ballots, it shall be determined by lot in the presence of such candidates, or their

representatives or attorneys, and under the direction of the city clerk which of such names shall be printed on the ballots. The candidates at any election held on the fourth Monday in September, equal in number to the places to be filled in any office, who receive the highest votes shall be declared elected. A tie between two or more such candidates shall be decided by lot in the presence of such candidates or their representatives or attorneys, and under the direction of the city clerk.

SEC. 19. If a vacancy occur in the city council, the board of selectmen or the board of school visitors, some eligible person shall be chosen to fill the place by a majority vote of the remaining members of the city council, board of selectmen or board of school visitors as the case may be. Any person so chosen to fill a vacancy shall continue in office until the first Monday in October next following a regular city election and until his successor is elected and has qualified. Any place held, or which might be held, by a person so chosen to fill a vacancy shall be regarded as a place to be filled at any regular city election next held after such vacancy occurs. If, in the election of persons to the city council, board of selectmen or board of school visitors, any place to be filled is for an unexpired term, the candidate among those elected who receives the smallest number of votes shall be deemed to have been elected for such unexpired term. If more than one of the places to be filled is for an unexpired term, and such terms differ in length, then the elected candidate receiving the lowest vote shall serve for the shortest unexpired term, the elected candidate with the next lowest vote shall serve for the term next in length and so on.

SEC. 20. Except as otherwise provided in this act, all city elections shall be conducted and the ballots printed, given in, received and counted in the manner prescribed by the laws of this state for general elections. The moderator of the third ward shall be the presiding officer for the purpose of declaring the result of the ballot of the whole city and of making the returns required by law unless the council shall designate the moderator of some other ward as such presiding officer. The moderators of the other wards shall be assistant presiding officers and shall make returns of their polls to the presiding moderator as required by law.

THE COUNCIL.

SEC. 21. The legislative and executive powers of the city shall be vested in a council of seven members elected from the city at large. At the regular city election held in 1921, the entire council shall be chosen. The four members receiving the lowest number of votes shall be considered elected for one year and the other three receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for two years. The terms of members of the first group shall expire on the first Monday in October, 1922, and of the second group on the first Monday in October, 1923. Beginning with the city election held on the second Monday in September, 1922,

members of the council shall be chosen annually to take the places of those whose terms will expire on the next succeeding first Monday in October, and shall serve for a term of two years and until their successors are elected and have qualified. At any such election members of the council may also be chosen to fill unexpired terms as hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 22. At eight o'clock p. m. on the first Monday in October next following a regular city election, the council shall meet at the usual place for holding such meetings, at which time the newly elected members shall assume the duties of office. Thereafter the council shall meet at such time and place as may be prescribed by ordinance, but not less frequently than once each week. Special meetings of the council may be called by the mayor, and shall be called by the city clerk upon the written request of five members or the city manager. All meetings of the council and of committees thereof shall be open to the public. The council may hold executive sessions when deemed necessary. The council shall provide by its rules that citizens shall have a reasonable opportunity to be heard at any meeting other than an executive session in regard to any matter considered or to be considered thereat, and any elector may present a measure in writing to the council and it shall be acted upon within thirty days.

SEC. 23. The council shall keep a journal of its proceedings, may determine its own rules of procedure, punish its members for disorderly behavior and, with the consent of five-sevenths of all the members, may expel a member. A majority of all the members elected to the council shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from time to time.

SEC. 24. The council shall elect one of its members as chairman who shall have the title of mayor. The mayor shall preside at meetings of the council and perform such other duties consistent with his office as may be imposed by the council. He shall be recognized as the official head of the city for all ceremonial purposes and by the governor for military purposes. In time of public danger or emergency he may, with the consent of a majority of the council, take command of the police, maintain order and enforce the laws. During the absence or disability of the mayor the council shall appoint another of its members mayor pro tempore who shall perform the duties of mayor during such absence or disability.

SEC. 25. The council shall, by a majority vote of all its members, appoint a city clerk who shall also be clerk of the council and, ex officio, clerk of the town of New London. The clerk shall not be appointed for a definite term but shall be removable at the pleasure of the council. He shall perform the duties imposed upon him by this act, the duties not inconsistent therewith imposed upon city clerks by law, the duties imposed by law upon town clerks, and such other duties as may be required by the council. All records of the city clerk shall have

the same validity as records of town clerks and shall be, either by themselves or by certified copies thereof under the hand of the clerk and the seal of the city, evidence in all courts of the truth of the matters contained therein. The council may appoint an assistant city clerk who, having duly qualified, may perform any or all of the duties of the city clerk, and all records and acts of the assistant city clerk shall have the same validity as the records and acts of the city clerk.

SEC. 26. Ordinances and resolutions shall be introduced in the council only in written or printed form. Ordinances making appropriations shall be confined to the subject of appropriations. No ordinance shall be passed until it has been read on three separate days, or the requirement of reading on three separate days has been dispensed with by a five-sevenths vote of all the members of the council. The final reading shall be in full unless a written or printed copy of the measure shall have been furnished to each member of the council prior to such reading. The vote upon the passage of all ordinances and resolutions shall be taken by yeas and nays and entered on the journal of the proceedings of the council, and every ordinance or resolution shall require on final passage the affirmative vote of a majority of all the members. No member of the council shall be excused from voting except on matters involving the consideration of his own official conduct or where his financial interests are involved.

SEC. 27. Upon final passage every ordinance or resolution shall be signed by the mayor or other presiding officer of the council, countersigned by the city clerk and recorded in a book kept by the clerk for that purpose. Every ordinance prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof shall, within ten days after its passage, be published in at least one daily newspaper of general circulation in the city, to be designated by the council. Other ordinances may also be published if the council considers it advisable. As soon as practicable after the close of each fiscal year, all ordinances passed during the previous year shall be compiled by the city clerk, under the direction of the director of law, and printed in such form as may be directed by the council.

SEC. 28. No ordinance shall go into effect sooner than fifteen days after its passage by the council unless it be declared an emergency measure on the ground of urgent public need for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety or property, the facts showing such emergency and need being specifically stated in the measure itself. No ordinance shall be passed as an emergency measure except by the affirmative vote of not less than six-sevenths of the members of the council, and no ordinance or resolution granting, amending, renewing or extending any public utility franchise or other special privilege or permitting the leasing or sale of any real property of the city, or regulating or fixing rates to be charged for public utility services or creating bonds shall ever be so passed.

SEC. 29. The council may by ordinance provide for the compensation of its members, to be paid in equal monthly installments, but not to exceed three hundred dollars a year for each member. The mayor may be granted compensation in addition to that which he receives as a member of the council but such additional compensation shall not exceed three hundred dollars per year. Any member of the council absent from a regular or regularly called meeting of the council, except on account of his own illness, shall forfeit two per centum of his entire annual compensation for each such absence.

REFERENDUM.

SEC. 30. If, within fifteen days after the final passage of a measure by the council, a petition signed by electors of the city equal in number to at least ten per centum of those who voted at the last preceding regular city election be filed with the city clerk requesting that such measure, or any part thereof, be either repealed or submitted to a vote of the electors, it shall not, unless it be an emergency measure, become operative until the steps indicated herein have been taken. Such petition shall be known as a referendum petition.

SEC. 31. If a referendum petition, or amended petition, be found sufficient by the city clerk, he shall certify that fact to the council at its next regular meeting. Upon receipt of the clerk's certificate the council shall proceed to reconsider the measure, or part thereof, and its final vote upon such reconsideration shall be upon the question, "Shall the measure, or part of the measure, as specified in the referendum petition be repealed?" If upon such reconsideration the measure, or part thereof, be not repealed, it shall be submitted to the electors at the next municipal election held not less than thirty days after such final vote by the council. The council by five-sevenths vote of its members may submit the measure to the electors at a special election to be held not sooner than the time aforesaid. If, when submitted to the electors, any such measure, or part thereof, be not approved by a majority of those voting thereon it shall be deemed repealed.

SEC. 32. Measures, or parts of measures, required by referendum petition or by vote of the council to be submitted to the electors shall be submitted by ballot title. There shall appear upon the official ballot a ballot title, which may be distinct from the legal title of any such referred measure and which shall be a clear, concise statement, without argument or prejudice, descriptive of the substance thereof. The ballot title shall be prepared by the city clerk. The ballots used when voting upon any such measure shall have below the ballot title thereof the two propositions in the order herein indicated: "For the measure" and "Against the measure." Immediately at the left of each proposition there shall be a square in which by making a cross mark (X) the elector may vote for either of such propositions. Such ballots shall be in form substantially as follows:

(Title of measure with general statement of substance thereof.)	
	FOR THE MEASURE
	AGAINST THE MEASURE

SEC. 33. Any number of measures may be voted on at the same election and may be submitted on the same ballot, but the ballot used for voting on measures shall be for that purpose alone.

SEC. 34. Any ordinance passed as an emergency measure shall be subject to referendum as in the case of other ordinances but shall continue in effect until a sufficient referendum petition is found to have been filed against it. If, when submitted to a vote of the electors, an emergency measure be not approved by a majority of those voting thereon, it shall be considered repealed as regards any further action thereunder, and all rights and privileges conferred by it shall thereafter be null and void; but any such ordinance so repealed shall be deemed sufficient authority for any payment made or expense incurred in accordance therewith prior to the finding of the sufficiency of the referendum petition.

REFERENDUM PETITIONS.

SEC. 35. Signatures to referendum petitions need not all be appended to one paper, but to each separate petition paper there shall be attached, when filed, an affidavit of the circulator thereof as provided by this section. Each signer of any such petition paper shall sign his name in ink or indelible pencil and, after his name, shall designate his residence by street and number or other description sufficient to identify the place, and give the date when his signature was made. The affidavit attached to a petition paper shall be as follows:

State of Connecticut }
County of New London } ss.

.....being of full age and duly warned and sworn, deposes and says that he is the circulator of the foregoing petition paper and that the signatures appended thereto were

made in his presence and are the genuine signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be.

Signed.....

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....
day of 19...

.....
Notary Public.

SEC. 36. All papers comprising a referendum petition shall be assembled and filed with the city clerk as one instrument, with a statement attached thereto giving the names and addresses of five electors who, as a committee of petitioners, shall be officially regarded as the committee filing the petition in behalf of themselves or other petitioners. Within ten days after the petition is filed, the clerk shall determine whether it is signed by a sufficient number of electors and shall attach thereto a certificate showing the result of his examination. If he shall certify that the petition is insufficient, he shall set forth in a certificate the particulars in which it is defective and shall at once notify the committee of petitioners of his findings by depositing in the postoffice at New London, postage prepaid, a copy of such certificate addressed to each of the five members of such committee to his address as given in said petition.

SEC. 37. A referendum petition may be amended at any time within ten days after the making of a certificate of insufficiency by the clerk by filing a supplementary petition upon additional papers signed and filed as provided in the case of an original petition. The clerk shall, within five days after such an amendment is filed, make examination of the amended petition and, if his certificate shall show the petition still to be insufficient, he shall file it in his office and notify the committee of petitioners of his findings in the manner as stated in section thirty-six of this act, and no further action shall be had on such insufficient petition.

SEC. 38. The word "measure" as used in sections thirty to thirty-seven, inclusive, is defined to mean: Any ordinance of any kind other than an ordinance making an appropriation; any ordinance, or part of any ordinance, making an appropriation of, or creating or authorizing the creation of, a liability of three hundred dollars or more; any ordinance, resolution or vote of the council authorizing the sale or purchase of land, water rights, wharves, ferry property and franchises; the leasing of any real property, wharves, ferries, ferry franchises, or the creation of or issuance of any bonds of the city.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE.

SEC. 39. The council shall appoint a city manager who shall be the chief executive officer of the city. He shall be chosen solely on the basis of his executive and administrative qualifications and need not,

when appointed, be a resident of the city or state. No member of the council shall be chosen as city manager. The city manager shall not be appointed for a definite term but shall be removable at the pleasure of the council. If removed at any time after he has served six months he may demand written charges and the right to be heard thereon at a public meeting of the council prior to the date on which his final removal would take effect, but pending and during such hearing the council may suspend him from office. The action of the council in suspending or removing the city manager shall be final, it being the intention of this act to vest all authority and fix all responsibility for any such suspension or removal in the council. In case of the absence or disability of the manager the council shall designate some qualified person to perform the duties of the office. The manager shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the council.

SEC. 40. The city manager shall be responsible to the council for the proper administration of the affairs of the city placed in his charge, and to that end shall make all appointments in the administrative service of the city, except as otherwise provided in this act and except in such cases as he may authorize the head of a department or office to appoint subordinates in such department or office. He shall see that the laws of the state and the ordinances of the city are enforced. Neither the council nor any of its committees or members shall dictate, or attempt to dictate, the appointment of any person to office or employment by the city manager, or in any manner interfere with him or prevent him from exercising his own judgment in the appointment and removal of officers or employees in the administrative service of the city. Except for the purpose of inquiry the council and its members shall deal with the administrative service solely through the city manager, and neither the council nor any member thereof shall give orders to any subordinate of the city manager either publicly or privately.

SEC. 41. The city manager shall have the right to be present at all meetings of the council and of its committees and to take part in their discussions. He shall prepare and submit the annual budget estimate and make such other recommendations to the council concerning the affairs of the city as may seem to him desirable.

SEC. 42. The city manager shall appoint a health officer and shall prescribe the duties to be performed by such officer, and subject to the approval of the council, shall fix his compensation. Said health officer shall have and perform all the duties required by the general statutes to be performed by city health officers, and shall perform such other duties as the council has prescribed by ordinance. Said health officer shall hold office at the will of the city manager and may be removed by him.

SEC. 43. There shall be a department of law, a department of finance and such other departments and offices as may be established by ordinance. The council may discontinue any department or office

established by ordinance, and may determine, combine, distribute or abolish the functions and duties of departments and offices so established; but no function or duty assigned by this charter to the department of law or the department of finance shall be abolished or assigned to any other department or office. No administrative department or office shall be established or discontinued until the recommendation of the city manager thereon shall have been heard by the council.

SEC. 44. A director of law shall be appointed by the council without definite term and may be removed at the pleasure thereof. He shall appoint and may remove such assistants and subordinates as the council may authorize him to employ. All other directors and heads of administrative departments and offices shall be appointed by the city manager on the basis of executive and administrative ability and of training and experience in the work which they are to administer. All such officers shall be responsible to the city manager.

SEC. 45. Appointments made or authorized by the city manager shall be confined to citizens of New London except in such specific cases as the council may suspend this requirement.

SEC. 46. Any appointive officer or employee of the city may be removed, suspended, laid off or reduced in grade by the officer responsible for his appointment for any reason which, in the opinion of such officer, will promote the efficiency of the service. Any officer or employee so removed, suspended, laid off or reduced in grade shall, if he so request, be furnished with a written statement of the reason therefor, be allowed a reasonable time for answering such reasons in writing and be given a public hearing by the officer making such removal, suspension, layoff or reduction in grade, before the order therefor shall be made final. No trial or examination of witnesses shall be required in any such case except in the discretion of the officer making such removal, suspension, lay-off or reduction in grade, and the action of such officer shall be final. The written statement of reasons and the reply of the officer or employee thereto, as provided for in this section, shall be filed as a public record in the office of the city clerk.

SEC. 47. The council, the city manager or any person or committee authorized by either of them, shall have power to inquire into the conduct of any department or office of the city and to make investigations as to the city affairs, and for that purpose may subpoena witnesses, administer oaths and compel the production of books and papers. The city manager shall designate a police officer to serve such subpoenas. Any person who, being sworn as a witness in any such inquiry or investigation, shall be guilty of wilful false swearing, shall be deemed to have committed the crime of perjury and shall be prosecuted and punished therefor.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW.

SEC. 48. The director of law shall have practiced as an attorney at law in the state of Connecticut for at least five years. He shall be head of the department of law and as such shall be the chief legal advisor of and attorney for the city and of all officers and departments thereof in matters relating to their official duties. When so requested he shall give advice in writing to the council, the city manager or any head of a department or office of the city upon any question of law involving their respective powers or duties. He shall prosecute or defend all suits for and in behalf of the city and shall prepare all contracts, surety bonds and instruments, in writing, in which the city is concerned, and endorse on each his approval of the form and correctness thereof. No such surety bond, contract or instrument shall become effective without such endorsement of the director of law thereon.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND FINANCIAL PROVISIONS.

SEC. 49. The city manager shall appoint a director of finance who shall be a qualified accountant of at least five years' experience, who shall have charge of the department of finance and the administration of the financial affairs of the city, including the keeping and supervision of all accounts; the collection of taxes; the custody and disbursement of city funds and money; the making and collection of special assessments; the assessment of property for taxation; the issuance of licenses; the collection of license fees; the control over expenditures; the purchase, storage and distribution of supplies needed by the city; and such other duties as the council may by ordinance require.

SEC. 50. Accounts shall be kept by the department of finance for all departments and offices of the city. The forms of all such accounts and of the financial reports rendered to or by the department of finance shall be prescribed by the director of finance with the approval of the city manager and the council. The accounts and accounting procedure of the city shall be adequate to record all cash receipts and disbursements, all revenues accrued and liabilities incurred and all transactions affecting the acquisition, custody and disposition of values, and for making such reports of the financial transactions and condition of the city as may be required by law or ordinance. Financial reports shall be prepared for each quarter and fiscal year and for such other periods as may be required by the city manager or the council.

SEC. 51. The director of finance shall prepare for submission to the council at its first meeting in each month a summary statement of revenues and expenses for the preceding month, detailed as to appropriations and funds in such manner as to show the exact financial condition of the city and of each department, division and office thereof at the date of such statement.

SEC. 52. Not later than one month before the end of each fiscal year the city manager shall prepare and submit to the council an estimate of the expenditures and revenues of all city departments, divisions and offices for the ensuing fiscal year. This estimate shall be compiled from detailed information obtained from the several departments, divisions and offices on uniform blanks furnished by the city manager. The classification of the estimate of the city manager shall be as nearly uniform as possible for all departments, divisions and offices, and shall give the following information: (a) A detailed estimate of the expense of conducting each department, division and office of the city for the ensuing fiscal year; (b) expenditures for corresponding items for the current and last preceding fiscal years, with reasons for increases or decreases recommended as compared with the appropriations for the current year; (c) the value of supplies and materials on hand at the date of the preparation of the estimate; (d) the total amount of city debt outstanding, with a schedule of maturities of bond issues; (e) the amount required for interest on the city debt, for sinking funds and for maturing serial bonds; (f) an itemization of all anticipated revenue of the city from sources other than taxes; (g) an estimate of the amount of money required to be raised from taxes which, with revenue from other sources, would be necessary to meet the expenditures proposed; (h) such other information as the city manager may think desirable or as may be required by the council.

SEC. 53. Upon receipt of the budget estimate the council shall prepare an appropriation ordinance using the manager's estimate as a basis. Provision shall be made for public hearings on the proposed appropriation ordinance before the council sitting as a committee of the whole and said proposed appropriation ordinance shall be published at least three times in a daily newspaper in said city, to be designated by the council, together with the date of the public hearing thereon. The council shall provide for printing a reasonable number of copies of said appropriation ordinance for distribution to citizens. The council shall not pass the appropriation ordinance before its first meeting in the fiscal year to which such ordinance is to apply. Until otherwise provided by ordinance the fiscal year of the city shall begin with the first Monday in October of each year and shall end with the Sunday preceding the first Monday in October of the next ensuing year.

SEC. 54. Before the annual appropriation ordinance has been passed, the council, upon recommendation in writing of the city manager, may make appropriations for the current expenses of the city, chargeable to the appropriations of the year when passed, to an amount sufficient to cover the necessary expenses of the various departments, divisions and offices until the annual appropriation ordinance is in force. No other liabilities shall be incurred by an officer or employee of the city, except in accordance with the provisions of the annual appropriation ordinance.

SEC. 55. Not later than its first regular meeting following the passage of the annual appropriation ordinance the council shall by ordinance lay such taxes upon the polls and ratable estates within the limits of the city as, together with estimated revenue from other sources, will meet the appropriations made. The taxes so laid shall be upon the list last completed.

SEC. 56. Upon request of the city manager the council may transfer any part of an unencumbered balance of an appropriation to a purpose or object for which the appropriation for the current year has proved insufficient, or may authorize a transfer to be made between items appropriated to the same office, department or division, but appropriations made for school purposes shall not be transferred to any other department or purpose, and transfers between items of school appropriations shall be made by the council only upon request of the board of school visitors.

SEC. 57. Any accruing revenue of the city, not appropriated as hereinbefore provided, and the balance at any time remaining after the purposes of an appropriation shall have been satisfied or abandoned, may from time to time be appropriated by the council to such uses as will not conflict with any uses for which specifically such revenue accrued.

SEC. 58. No money shall be drawn from the treasury of the city, nor shall any obligation for the expenditure of money be incurred except in pursuance of appropriations made by the council. At the close of each fiscal year the unencumbered balance of each appropriation shall revert to the fund from which it was appropriated and shall be subject to future appropriation; but appropriations to be paid out of the revenues of the current year may be made in furtherance of improvements or other objects or works of the city which will not be completed within such year, and any such appropriations shall continue in force until the purpose for which it was made shall have been accomplished or abandoned.

SEC. 59. No liability shall be enforceable against the city upon any contract not supported by previous appropriation, nor shall the city be liable for any service, material or supplies furnished to the city or to any department, office or division thereof, the financial requirements of which are to be met out of the proceeds of taxes or of any other funds controlled by the council, unless the council shall previously have made an appropriation therefor. In the event that contracts are made to extend over a period longer than one year and which are to be met from current receipts of the city, it shall be lawful for the council to make appropriation sufficient to answer the requirements of any such contract for only one year, and the contract shall be legal and binding upon the city notwithstanding no appropriation has been made for the ensuing years over which it is to be operative, and it shall be the duty of the council to make appropriations from year to year as re-

quired for the purposes of such contracts. The obligations of the city under such contracts shall not be considered to be a part of the indebtedness of the city.

SEC. 60. Accounts shall be kept for each specific item of appropriation made by the council and every warrant on the treasury shall state specifically against which of said items the warrant is drawn. Each such account shall show in detail the appropriations made thereto by the council, the amount drawn thereon, the unpaid obligations charged against it and the unencumbered balance to the credit thereof.

SEC. 61. No claim against the city shall be paid except upon a voucher certified by the head of the appropriate department or other division of the city government, and by means of a warrant on the city treasury issued and signed by the director of finance and countersigned by the city manager or other officer of the city authorized by the council to countersign warrants. The director of finance shall examine all pay rolls, bills and other claims and demands against the city, and shall issue no warrant for payment unless he finds that the claim is in proper form, correctly computed and duly certified; that it is justly and legally due and payable; that an appropriation has been made therefor which has not been exhausted or that the payment has otherwise been legally authorized; and that there is money in the city treasury to make payment. He may require any claimant to make oath to the validity of a claim. He may investigate any claim, and for that purpose may administer oaths and examine witnesses, and if he finds a claim to be fraudulent, erroneous or otherwise invalid, he shall not issue a warrant therefor.

SEC. 62. The council may by resolution or ordinance provide for the abatement of taxes assessed by said city upon such persons as are poor and unable to pay the same.

SEC. 63. If the director of finance issue a warrant on the treasury authorizing payment for any item for which no appropriation has been made, or for the payment of which there is not a sufficient balance in the proper fund, or which for any other cause should not be approved, he and his sureties shall be individually liable to the city for the amount of such warrant, if paid.

SEC. 64. The city manager shall appoint a treasurer who shall be an officer in the department of finance subordinate to the director thereof. The city treasurer shall be the custodian of all public money of the city and of all other public money coming into his hands as city treasurer. All money received by any officer or employee of the city for or in connection with the business of the city shall be paid promptly into the city treasury and shall be deposited with such responsible banking institutions located within said city as shall agree to pay the highest rate of interest. All interest on money so deposited shall accrue to the benefit of the city. The council shall provide by ordinance for the prompt and regular payment and deposit of all city money as

required by this section. Public money, other than that of the city, coming into the hands of the city treasurer shall be preserved and kept in the place or places provided by any law applicable thereto. The city treasurer shall disburse the public money of the city only upon warrant issued by the director of finance as hereinbefore provided, and he shall disburse all other public money coming into his hands as city treasurer, in pursuance of the provisions of any law applicable thereto. He shall be treasurer of the school fund and of the town deposit fund, and shall have the powers and perform the duties conferred upon and required of town treasurers by any law not inconsistent with this act.

SEC. 65. The city manager shall appoint an assessor who shall be an officer in the department of finance subordinate to the director thereof. The assessor shall have the powers and perform the duties that now are, or hereafter may be, conferred upon or required of town assessors by law. He shall have such number of assistants, clerical and otherwise, as may be authorized by the council. It shall be the duty of the assessor to recommend to the council, and with their approval to install, a scientific and equitable system for the assessment of property within the city. Any such system so installed shall provide, among other things, for tax maps and land value maps, and for recording separately the value of each parcel of land and the value of any building or structure thereon. The tax maps shall show the dimensions of each separately assessed parcel of land within the city, and the land value maps shall show the value per front foot, according to a standard unit of depth, of all land abutting on any street, public way or place of the city; but as to acreage tracts, the land value maps shall show the value per acre. All such maps and other records of the assessor shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable times. The assessor and his assistants, or any of them, shall have power and authority to administer oaths in connection with the valuation of property for city taxation.

SEC. 66. The council shall appoint three electors of the city as a board of relief for the purpose of equalizing assessments upon all property assessed for city purposes. The members of said board shall hold office until their successors are chosen by the council. It shall be the duty of such board to examine, and if necessary revise, assessments as returned by the assessor to the end that all property within the city shall be assessed as nearly as may be at its present true and accurate value and in all other respects perform the duties of a board of relief as prescribed by the laws of this state. The board shall have power to summon any property owner of the city before them, to take testimony under oath, and to require the production of books, papers, accounts and other evidence of the ownership and value of property within the city. Any person failing to appear before the board when summoned, or failing to give or produce such testimony or evidence, shall

be guilty of contempt and may be punished by the board by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

SEC. 67. The city manager shall appoint a collector of taxes, who shall be an officer in the department of finance, subject to the director thereof. The city manager may in his discretion appoint either the city treasurer or the assessor to be collector of taxes. The collector of taxes having been duly qualified, and having received a warrant for that purpose, signed by the city manager, shall have the same duties and powers in the premises as the collectors of town taxes have under the provisions of the general statutes and shall be accountable to the city manager in the same manner as the collectors of town taxes are to the selectmen. In case the said collector of taxes shall not perform his duties, then the city manager shall issue his warrant, directed to any proper officer, to collect out of the estate of the negligent collector, the sums due him, or that have not been collected by reason of his negligence; said city may pursue any, or all, remedies available in law for such negligence, and to make good to said city any loss, or damage, by reason of the same. Said collector of taxes shall have power, and it shall be his duty to collect all taxes, assessments and liens, whether made before or after his appointment; and upon his death, resignation, removal or inability longer to serve, or upon the appointment of his successor, all books, rate bills, vouchers and papers under his control, relating to said taxes, assessments and liens, shall be immediately delivered to his successor in said office or duty, who shall then have a right to the possession of the same, and who shall be deputed by a proper warrant, signed by the city manager to collect all such taxes, as assessments and liens remaining due; it shall also be the duty of said collector of taxes to collect the personal tax, provided for by the statutes of this state, and he shall be the person to whom the mayor or city manager shall deliver the rate bill for said personal tax and the warrant therefor, as provided by section 1298 of the general statutes; and said collector of taxes shall have all the powers and duties in relation to such personal tax as are provided for by the statutes of this state relating to the collection of such tax; in addition to the duties prescribed by statute, the collector of taxes shall perform such other duties as shall be prescribed by ordinance, relating to the collection of such tax.

SEC. 68. The city manager shall appoint a purchasing agent who shall be an officer in the department of finance subordinate to the director thereof. The purchasing agent shall, so far as practicable, make all purchases for the city under such regulations as may be prescribed by ordinance and shall, under regulations prescribed by ordinance, sell all real and personal property of the city not needed for public use or that may have become unsuitable for use. The purchasing agent shall have charge of such storerooms and warehouses of the city as the council may by ordinance provide. Before making any purchase or sale the purchasing agent shall give opportunity for competition under

such rules and regulations as may be established by ordinance. Supplies required by any department, division or office may be furnished upon requisition from the stores under the control of the purchasing agent, and whenever so furnished shall be paid for by the department, division or office to which furnished by warrant made payable to the credit of the stores account. The purchasing agent shall not furnish any supplies to any department, division or office unless there be to the credit of such department, division or office an available appropriation balance in excess of all unpaid obligations sufficient to pay for such supplies.

SEC. 69. Any public work or improvement may be executed either by contract or by direct labor as may be determined by the council. Before authorizing the direct execution of any work or improvement detailed plans and estimates thereof shall be submitted to the council by the city manager and there shall be separate accounting as to each work or improvement so executed. All contracts for more than three hundred dollars shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, after public advertisement and competition as may be prescribed by ordinance, but the city manager shall have power to reject all bids and advertise again. All advertisements as to contracts shall contain a reservation of the foregoing right. Contracts for public work shall be signed by the city manager after approval thereof by the council.

SEC. 70. When it becomes necessary in the opinion of the city manager to make alterations or modifications in a contract for any public work or improvement, such alterations or modifications shall be made only when authorized by the council upon the written recommendation of the city manager. No such alteration shall be valid unless the price to be paid for the work or material, or both, under the altered or modified contract shall have been agreed upon in writing and signed by the contractor and the city manager prior to such authorization by the council.

SEC. 71. Upon the death, resignation, removal or expiration of the term of any officer of the city, other than the director of finance, the director of finance shall cause an audit and investigation of the accounts of such officer to be made and shall report to the city manager and the council. The council may at any time provide for an examination or audit of the accounts of any officer or department of the city government. As soon as practicable after the close of each fiscal year an audit shall be made of the accounts of all city officers; and upon the death, resignation or removal of the director of finance an audit shall be made of his accounts. Such annual audits shall be made by qualified public accountants, selected by the council, who have no personal interest, direct or indirect, in the financial affairs of the city or of any of its officers or employees.

SEC. 72. Accounts shall be kept for each public utility owned or operated by the city in such manner as to show the complete financial

result of such city ownership, or ownership and operation, including all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. These accounts shall show the actual cost to the city of each public utility owned; the cost of all extensions, additions and improvements; all expenses of maintenance; the amount set aside for sinking fund purposes; and, in case of city operation, all operating expenses of every description. They shall show as nearly as possible the value of any service furnished to or rendered by such public utility by or to any other city or governmental department. They shall also show a proper allowance for depreciation, insurance, interest on the investment, and estimates of the amount of taxes that would be chargeable against the property if privately owned. The council shall annually cause to be made and printed for public distribution a report showing the financial results of such ownership, or ownership and operation, which report shall give the information specified in this section and such other information as the council may deem expedient.

SEC. 73. The police force of the city shall consist of such number of officers and patrolment as the council may by ordinance prescribe. The city manager shall be ex officio chief of the police force, shall appoint all officers and members thereof, and its services and the services of its officers, members and employees shall be under his control in the performance of his duties as chief executive of the city.

SEC. 74. In addition to the regular police force there shall be an honorary grade, known as the veteran reserve, to which the council, upon recommendation by the city manager, may transfer any member of the regular force who, through age, or physical disability incurred in the discharge of duty, or through long and faithful service, shall become permanently disqualified for the more active duties of the regular grade. The pay of members of the veteran reserve shall be fixed by the council in accordance with the amount of duty performed, and shall not be more than one-half or less than one-fourth of the rate of compensation received by such members at the time of their transfer from the regular grade. Any member of the veteran reserve may be removed in the same manner as a member of the regular force.

SEC. 75. In case of the arrest of any person on a criminal charge the officer in immediate charge of the police force, the mayor or the city manager may, if the offense be bailable, take bonds with sufficient surety for the appearance of the accused before the police court at its next session and for his abiding the order of the court.

SEC. 76. After the taking effect of this act sheriffs and constables shall no longer be elected in and for the town and city of New London, but sheriffs and constables previously elected shall serve for the remainder of their unexpired terms.. The city manager shall appoint as city sheriffs two or more persons who are either members of the regular police force or of the veteran reserve. In addition to their powers and duties as members of the police force or of the veteran reserve the

persons so appointed shall have, within the limits of the city, the same power and authority as county sheriffs and shall be liable to the same penalties or suits for neglect of duty.

SEC. 77. Any sheriff of the city, upon notice from the city court, shall attend any session thereof as court officer. The fees of a city sheriff for such attendance may be taxed by such court, not to exceed five dollars for any one day's attendance, and shall be paid upon the order of the clerk of the court. A city sheriff appointed as provided in section seventy-four of this act shall receive no compensation for his services other than that received as a member of the regular police force or of the veteran reserve. All fees received by such city sheriffs for or in connection with their duties shall be paid into the city treasury.

SELECTMEN

SEC. 78. Three selectmen shall be elected every second year to serve for a term of two years from the first Monday in October next succeeding their election and until their successors are chosen and qualified. The selectmen holding office at the time this act takes effect shall continue therein until the expiration of the terms for which they are chosen and their successors shall have been nominated and elected in the manner provided by this act. On the first Monday in October next following their election the selectmen shall meet and, by majority vote, appoint two electors of the city as registrars of voters to serve for a term of two years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. If a vacancy occurs in the office of registrar the selectmen shall appoint some qualified elector to fill the place for the unexpired term. Registrars of voters appointed by the selectmen shall not be of the same political party and shall have the powers and perform the duties conferred upon and required of such registrars by law.

SEC. 79. Except as provided in the foregoing section, the powers and duties of selectmen of the town and city of New London shall hereafter be limited to those powers vested in, and those duties imposed upon, selectmen by the constitution and laws of the state relating to the admission of persons to the privileges of electors of such town and city, and to the erasure from the registry list of the names of those who have forfeited the privileges of electors. All other powers and duties conferred upon or required of selectmen by law shall be exercised or performed in such manner as the council may by ordinance provide.

SCHOOLS.

SEC. 80. There shall be a board of school visitors of nine members nominated and elected from the city at large to serve for three years and until their successors are chosen and qualified. The members of the present board of school visitors shall continue in office until the

expiration of the terms for which they were elected and, as their terms expire, their places shall be filled by members nominated and elected as hereinbefore provided in this charter.

SEC. 81. The board of school visitors shall determine its own rules of procedure, choose one of its members as president and appoint a secretary. The president shall be chosen at the first meeting of the board in October of each year. Members of the board of school visitors shall serve without compensation, but a member of the board appointed secretary thereof may receive compensation for his services as secretary.

SEC. 82. The board of school visitors shall be in charge of the city schools and shall be responsible for conducting such schools as an educational system. It shall determine all educational policies including the establishment of courses of study, the fixing and maintenance of educational standards, the choice of all books and material used in instruction, the establishment and maintenance of discipline in the schools and the location, type, design, repair and equipment of school buildings.

SEC. 83. The board of school visitors shall choose a superintendent of schools who shall be responsible to the board for the execution of its policies and for conducting the schools under its control in conformity with the rules of the board and the laws of this state. The board shall also choose such teachers and other officers and employees as may be required to conduct the city schools. The compensation of the superintendent of schools and of all teachers, officers of instruction and supervision, and employees shall be fixed by the board of school visitors.

SEC. 84. The construction, repair and maintenance of school buildings and grounds shall be in charge of such department or departments or of such office or offices, subject to the city manager as the council may by ordinance provide. Provision shall be made in the annual school appropriations for meeting the cost of service rendered to the city schools by any department or office of the city. Purchases by and for the city schools shall be made through the purchasing agent of the city as in the case of purchases by and for city departments and offices.

SEC. 85. Estimates of the expense of conducting all schools of the city for which appropriations are sought shall be included in the annual budget estimate of the city manager, but shall be in such amount for each item and purpose as may be specified by the board of school visitors. The board of school visitors and other boards requesting appropriations for school purposes shall supply the city manager with information for the preparation of the annual budget estimate as fully and in like detail as may be required of any city department or office. The members of the board of school visitors and of other boards requesting appropriations for school purposes, or committees thereof appointed for that purpose, shall attend all public hearings on the annual appropriation ordinance when appropriations for school purposes are being considered.

SEC. 86. The teachers' retirement fund of the city shall be continued only to meet the obligations created against it prior to the taking effect of this act, and the city of New London shall not be obliged to make any further payments thereto except as may be necessary to render such fund sufficient to meet such obligations. Any balance in the teachers' retirement fund remaining after all obligations are satisfied shall be paid into the treasury of the city for school purposes. All teachers employed by the city of New London in its public schools shall be thereby members of the teachers' retirement association of the state. The council, in behalf of the city, may by resolution provide for the appropriation annually of a sufficient sum to pay all obligations created against said teachers' retirement fund; and in such case, said fund shall be paid into the treasury of the city for general city purposes.

SEC. 87. The city of New London shall be substituted for and take the place of the town of New London in all matters concerning education. All rights, powers and duties relative to education, schools, school districts, school houses, school lands, playgrounds, school property and school offices heretofore conferred or imposed, or hereafter to be conferred or imposed, upon towns are hereby conferred and imposed upon the city of New London. All the powers, obligatory duties, rights and property of the city of New London in respect to education and schools, whether as such city or as a union school district, shall be vested in and belong to the city of New London which shall, for all intents and purposes, be a union school district. The board of school visitors shall be charged with and perform the duties of a school committee and shall have all the powers and act in the place and stead of such committee in all things. The powers and duties of the city of New London specified in this section shall be exercised and performed by the board of school visitors except as otherwise provided in this act or unless otherwise ordered by the city.

CITY PLANNING BOARD.

SEC. 88. At its second regular meeting in October the council first elected under this act shall, by a majority vote of all its members, appoint a city planning board of five citizens, chosen because of their interest in and knowledge of city planning. The members of the planning board first chosen shall be appointed for terms of one, two, three, four and five years, respectively. Thereafter the council shall, at its second regular meeting in October of each year, appoint a member of the planning board by like vote to succeed the member whose term expires on that day. The planning board shall choose one of its members as president and determine its own rules of procedure. Members of the planning board shall serve without compensation.

SEC. 89. A secretary of the planning board, who may hold some

other office or employment under the city, shall be appointed by the city manager. The city engineer shall serve as chief engineer of the planning board, and it shall be his duty to make recommendations designed to bring all the engineering work of the city into harmony as part of one comprehensive plan. The executive health officer of the city shall advise the planning board from time to time of any municipal improvements within the scope of the board which, in his opinion, would improve the healthfulness of the city. The board shall have power to call upon any branch or department of the city government at any time for information and advice which, in the opinion of the board, will insure the efficiency of its work.

SEC. 90. It shall be the duty of the planning board to keep itself informed of the progress of city planning in this and other countries, to make studies and recommendations for the improvement of the plan of the city with a view to the present and future movement of traffic, the convenience, amenity, health, recreation, general welfare and other needs of the city dependent on the city plan; to consider and report upon the designs and their relations to the city plan of all new public ways, lands, buildings, bridges and all other public places and structures, of additions to and alterations in those already existing, and of the layout or platting of new subdivisions of the city.

SEC. 91. All acts of the council or of any other branch of the city government affecting the city plan shall be submitted to the planning board for report and recommendations. The council may at any time call upon the board to report with recommendations. The board may of its own volition report to the council with recommendations on any matter which, in the opinion of either body, affects the plan of the city. Any matter referred by the council to the planning board shall be acted upon thereby within thirty days of the date of reference unless a longer or shorter period be specified. No action by the council involving any of the points hereinbefore set forth shall be legal or binding until it shall have been referred to the board and until its recommendations thereon shall have been presented to the council.

SEC. 92. The planning board shall submit to the council an annual report summarizing its activities for the previous fiscal year, the recommendations made by it to the council during the year and the action of the council during the year on recommendations made by the board in that or former years. The annual report of the board shall also contain a program for improvements to the city plan year by year during the three years next ensuing, with estimates of the cost thereof, and recommendations as to how the cost shall be met.

SEC. 93. Any proprietor of lots or grounds within the city, who subdivides or lays them out for sale, shall cause to be made an accurate map or plat of such subdivision describing with certainty all grounds laid out or granted for streets, alleys, ways, commons or other public uses. Lots sold or intended for sale shall be numbered by progressive

numbers or described by the squares in which situated, and the precise length and width shall be given of each lot sold or intended for sale. Such map or plat shall be described by the proprietor, or his agent duly authorized, in writing, acknowledged before an officer authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, who shall certify the acknowledgment of the instrument, and be recorded in the office of the town clerk. The map or plat so recorded shall thereupon be sufficient conveyance to vest in the city, when accepted by the city, the fee or easement for street purposes in the parcel or parcels of land designated or intended for streets, alleys, ways, commons or other public uses, to be held in the corporate name in trust to and for the uses and purposes in the instrument set forth, expressed, designated or intended.

SEC. 94. The city engineer shall be the platting officer of the city. The council shall by ordinance provide regulations governing the platting of all lands so as to require all streets and alleys to be of proper width, grade and location, and to be co-terminus with adjoining streets and alleys and otherwise to conform with the regulations as to the plan of the city. The regulations prescribed by the council may also require that the sewers and other public improvements shall be of such a nature as to conform to the plan of the city and be adequate to the future needs of such newly platted territory. When any person plats any land within the corporate limits of the city, as hereinbefore provided, the platting officer shall, if such plats are in accordance with the rules prescribed by the council, endorse his written approval thereon. No plat subdividing lands within the corporate limits shall be entitled to record in the office of the town clerk without such written approval endorsed thereon.

SEC. 95. No streets or alleys or other public ways, places or improvements, except those laid down on a plat bearing the approval of the platting officer as hereinbefore provided, shall subsequently in any way be accepted as public streets, alleys, ways, places or improvements by the city, nor shall any public funds be expended in the repair of improvement of any such street, alley, way or public improvement laid out and not on such plat. This restriction shall not apply to a street, alley or other public improvements laid out or constructed by the city.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

SEC. 96. The council shall appoint a board of compensation of three members who shall serve at the pleasure of the council. Members of the council shall not be appointed to the board of compensation, but officers in the administrative service of the city, other than the city manager, may be so appointed. Persons holding any other office under the city shall receive no compensation for service on such board, but members thereof holding no other office under the city shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by ordinance. The board shall choose

one of its members to be president and may determine its own rules of procedure, except as such rules may be established by ordinance. A vote of a majority of the members of the board shall determine the action thereof in all matters.

SEC. 97. Before proceeding to take any land for public use, lay out, widen, extend, exchange or discontinue any street, public way, place or park, establish any wharf, dock, landing place or building line, or to lay or construct any sewer or surface drain, or to take any land or interest in land therefor, or to take any lands or interest therein within the limits of said city for the purposes of the city's water supply, or make any public improvement for which benefits or damages may be assessed against or in favor of property affected thereby, the council shall first declare by resolution its intention so to do. Any such resolution shall give a general description of the action contemplated and shall direct the city manager to have a report prepared thereon. The report so prepared shall include all necessary surveys, plans, profiles and specifications; estimates of the total cost of any such action, work or improvement; estimates of the value of any land proposed to be taken; and estimates of the amount of benefit or damage which should be assessed against or in favor of any property affected. A copy of the report shall, when completed, be placed on file for public inspection in such office of the city as the city manager may designate. When any portion of the cost of a public work or improvement is to be assessed against property benefited thereby, the resolution of the council shall so declare and indicate the portion of such cost to be so assessed.

SEC. 98. Upon the completion of the report, as provided in the foregoing section, notice thereof and of the contemplated action of the council shall be given to all parties in interest by publication not less than three times in at least one daily newspaper of general circulation in the city to be designated by the council. Such notice shall be addressed to all persons interested in lands which would be affected by the proposed action, naming each person known to be so interested, and shall specify a time and place when such persons may appear before the board of compensation and be heard respecting the price of any land proposed to be taken, or any assessment of benefits or damages, as set forth in the report prepared under the direction of the city manager. The meeting of the board of compensation pursuant to any such notice shall not be sooner than one week after the last publication thereof as provided in this section.

SEC. 99. The board of compensation shall meet at the time and place specified in such notice, and may continue to meet by adjournment to such time and place as it may deem proper until all parties in interest, as named in the notice, shall have had a reasonable opportunity to be heard. After such hearings, which shall be based on the report prepared under the direction of the city manager, the board of compensation shall report its recommendations to the council. Such report

shall indicate the amount which, in the judgment of the board, should be paid for any land proposed to be taken, the probable cost of making any public improvement or of taking any other action indicated in the published notice as contemplated by the council, and shall assess benefits and damages against or in favor of property which would be affected by such improvement or action, if benefits are to be assessed and if there will be any damages. The report of the board of compensation to the council shall be in writing and shall have annexed thereto a survey showing the particular designation of any land proposed to be taken and the layout of any work or improvement contemplated.

SEC. 100. In assessing benefits the board of compensation shall assess upon and against each owner of property benefited the amount of his due proportion of the whole cost of such work, improvement or action, including both damages and the estimated cost of construction. If the council shall have ordered the assessment upon properties benefited of only a part of such whole cost, the board of compensation shall assess upon each such owner his due proportion of such part.

SEC. 101. The council may accept as submitted, modify or reject a report made by the board of compensation. If, after receiving any such report, the council determine to proceed with the action, work or improvement described therein, it shall pass an ordinance directing that such action, work or improvement be carried out in accordance with the report as finally approved by the council, and the report so approved shall be recorded in the land records of the town of New London. Upon the passage of such ordinance and the recording of the report, each and all actions, improvements and work provided for therein shall be deemed duly and legally authorized, and all assessments of benefits and damages so provided for shall be deemed duly and legally made.

SEC. 102. Immediately after the passage of the ordinance and the recording of the report, as provided in section one hundred one of this act, the city clerk shall cause a notice to be published containing a list of all persons whose land may have been taken, or against or in favor of whom benefits or damages may have been assessed, with the amount to be paid to or by each such person in accordance with such ordinance and report. The notice shall order the payment to the city of all benefits assessed and shall indicate a time and place fixed by the council, at which the city will make payment for any land taken or damage assessed. Such notice shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks in at least one daily newspaper of general circulation in the city to be designated by the council, and the city clerk shall, within ten days after the passage of such ordinance, mail, postage paid, a copy thereof to each person named therein. In case of estates of deceased persons in process of settlement such notice mailed to the executor or administrator thereof shall be deemed notice to the owner. Upon the completion of such publication each such assessment of bene-

fits shall become a debt to the city and shall bear legal interest from the time when it becomes due and payable. After the publication of notice as aforesaid, the city may, except as hereinafter provided, enter upon any land taken, or do and complete any action, work or improvement in accordance with such ordinance and report.

SEC. 103. Any party in interest aggrieved by the price fixed for any land to be taken, or by any assessment of benefits or damages, may make written application for relief to the superior court, provided that he shall have filed a copy of such application with the city clerk within thirty days after the first publication of the notice provided for in section one hundred two of this act. No such application shall operate to vacate any appraisal, assessment or lien based thereon, but the same shall stand until modified or revised by the court. The court may, by committee or otherwise, inquire into the allegations of such application and may confirm, modify or annul the appraisal, assessment or action complained of, or make such order in the premises as equity may require. The court may, at its discretion, allow costs to either party. All such appeals shall be privileged cases in the superior court and the director of law shall cause them to be heard as speedily as possible.

SEC. 104. No land taken as aforesaid shall be occupied by the city until the time for taking appeals shall have expired, and until all appeals shall have been finally disposed of, unless the city shall file an offer to give such security as the court may require for the payment of all damages which may finally be awarded to the appellant, and the court, or any judge thereof in vacation, after hearing the parties, upon such notice as the court or judge may deem sufficient, shall fix the security to be given by the city. When security shall have been given as aforesaid, the city may immediately enter upon, take possession of, and use such land for the purpose or purposes for which it was taken.

SEC. 105. If an assessment of damages be made in favor of any person and an assessment of benefits also be made against such person, the difference between such assessment of damages and benefits shall be paid by him to the city, or by the city to him, as the case may be, and he shall be deemed to have received just compensation for all his damages. If an assessment of benefits be made against any person and no assessment of damages be made in his favor he shall pay to the city the amount of benefits assessed. If the assessment of damages made in favor of any person and benefits made against such person be equal, he shall be deemed to have received just compensation for all his damages. If any person shall refuse to receive the amount due him for any property taken or damages assessed, or if no one be found in this state having authority to receive the amount due any such person, such amount shall be deposited in the city treasury to be paid to the person entitled to receive it when he shall apply therefor.

SEC. 106. Assessments of benefits, made as provided in this act, shall be and remain liens or incumbrances upon the land or other properties

upon which they are made, and shall take precedence of all other liens or incumbrances, except taxes due the state and other prior public liens. Any such lien shall be liable to be foreclosed in the same manner as if it were a mortgage on such lands and buildings in favor of the city to secure the amount of the assessment. Such liens shall not continue to exist for a period longer than ninety days after the assessment becomes due and payable, unless within that period a certificate signed by the clerk of the city, describing the premises on which such lien exists, the work or improvement on account of which it is claimed, and the amount claimed by the city as the lien thereon, shall be filed for record with the town clerk of New London. And any such lien shall cease to exist whenever a certificate discharging the same, signed by the director of finance, shall be filed for record with the town clerk. All such certificates shall be recorded by the town clerk upon the land records of the town of New London, and the legal fees for filing, recording and releasing such liens shall be added to the assessment.

Sec. 107. Any lien created on account of a public work or improvement of any kind shall, if an appeal be taken from the assessment of damages or benefits, or both, continue to exist for a period of ninety days after the final judgment of the court or judge having jurisdiction of the appeal, or after the termination of the appellate proceedings, but no longer, unless within such time a certificate signed by the clerk of the city, describing the premises on which the lien exists, the work or improvement on account of which it is claimed, and the amount claimed by the city as a lien thereon, be filed with the town clerk of New London for record.

Sec. 108. One-half the expense of laying, constructing or repairing any curb or sidewalk in front of any property shall be paid by the city unless the owner shall agree to pay a greater portion or the whole thereof.

Sec. 109. In addition to supplying its inhabitants with water the city may contract to supply water to persons outside the city limits and may fix the rate to be charged for such service. All moneys received from water rates shall be paid into the city treasury. All moneys received from sewer assessments shall be paid into the city treasury.

Sec. 110. In assessing benefits for the construction of sewers the expenses of bringing connections to the property line may be included in such assessments.

Sec. 111. The council may, by ordinance, establish rules for the assessment of benefits, and rules so established shall be observed by the board of compensation in making such assessments. If such rules be not established by ordinance the board of compensation shall assess benefits in such manner as it may deem reasonable.

POLICE COURT.

SEC. 112. There shall be in the city of New London a police court, which shall have cognizance and jurisdiction of all criminal matters within the corporate limits of the city and within such other territory as may be included within its jurisdiction by this charter or the laws of this state. Subject to the right of appeal as may be by law provided in favor of any convicted person, the police court shall have final jurisdiction of all charges, indictments, presentments and complaints for crimes and misdemeanors committed within the limits of its jurisdiction, in all cases in which the punishment described by law does not exceed a fine or penalty of two hundred dollars, or six months' imprisonment in a common jail or work house, or both such fine and imprisonment. It shall also have all the jurisdiction, powers and authority that may belong to justices of the peace within towns, in all matters of a criminal form or nature, including all proceedings under the liquor laws of this state, arising within the territorial limits of its jurisdiction, which shall be exclusively in said court as to all such matters arising within the corporate limits of the city; and shall further have exclusive original jurisdiction of all breaches and violations of ordinances of the city.

SEC. 113. In all cases that may be lawfully brought before it, the police court may proceed to trial, render judgment and grant warrants for the execution thereof according to law, but any person convicted may appeal to the criminal court of common pleas next to be holden in and for the county of New London; provided he give bond, with sufficient surety on the appeal, as said court shall order, in manner and form as may be required by the general statutes regulating appeals in criminal cases. If the offense charged against the accused be of such nature as, under the law, to require a greater punishment than is above specified and limited, and the police court shall find that probable ground exists for the complaint, the accused shall be bound over or committed for appearance before the next superior court having cognizance of the offense charged; and the superior court shall proceed in the premises in the manner prescribed by the general statutes to be pursued in such cases.

SEC. 114. There shall be a judge and an assistant judge of the police court, to be chosen by the general assembly. They shall take the oath prescribed by law for judicial officers and shall hold their respective offices for two years, commencing on the first day of July next following their election, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead. In case of a vacancy in the office of the judge, or in his absence or inability to act, or upon his request, the assistant judge may act as judge of the police court and shall have all the powers of the judge. The fees of the assistant judge while so acting shall be the same as are allowed by law to justices of the peace for the trial of crim-

inal cases, and shall be paid in the same manner as other costs are paid in the police court.

SEC. 115. In event of the death, absence, illness or inability to act, of both the judge and assistant judge of the police court, the clerk of the court may, in writing, call a qualified justice of the peace, residing in the town, who shall act as judge during the continuance of the inability to act of the judge and assistant judge. When so acting a justice of the peace shall have all the powers and be subject to all the duties imposed by law upon the judge of the police court, and shall receive compensation at the same rate as provided for the assistant judge.

SEC. 116. The police court shall be legally constituted for the exercise of any of the powers and jurisdiction conferred upon it whenever the judge, or the assistant judge thereof acting as above prescribed, shall be present for the purpose. The court shall proceed in all criminal matters before it without jury; may issue process of subpoena and capias for witnesses, warrants for arrest upon complaints, presentments or informations made to it for any offense that may come before it, and all the usual criminal process; and shall administer justice according to law in all criminal matters over which this act or the general statutes may give it jurisdiction or power.

SEC. 117. Presentments or complaints in any matter cognizable by the police court may be made thereto by the lawful prosecuting attorney of the city, or by his lawfully appointed substitute, or by the state's attorney for the county of New London, but by no other person or persons.

SEC. 118. The clerk of the police court shall be appointed by the judge thereof and shall be a legal resident of the town of New London.

SEC. 119. The salaries of the judge and clerk of the police court shall be such as may be prescribed and fixed by ordinance and shall be paid out of the treasury of the city. Such salaries shall not be less than in effect at the time of the passage of this act.

SEC. 120. The police court may adjourn any case to a future day for trial, and take bond for the appearance of the accused. When the court may have final jurisdiction of the case, bond shall be taken to the city of New London, and in all other cases, and upon an appeal or binding over, the bond or recognizance shall be taken to the state. The court may in any case suspend judgment in its discretion.

SEC. 121. The police court shall charge and tax for use of the city in all criminal proceedings before it the following fees: Court fee, three dollars, process and prosecution, two dollars and fifty cents; subpoena, twenty-five cents; and for service or process and for witnesses, the fees fixed by the general statutes. All other fees of the clerk shall be for use of the city and accounted for by said clerk and paid by him into the city treasury.

SEC. 122. The clerk of the police court may pay the persons entitled to costs in any proceedings in said court such costs as of right have

accrued to them, taking their receipt therefor, but shall not pay any costs to any person who shall not demand the same within six months after they are taxed. The clerk may draw orders on the city treasury for the sums necessary for such purposes or may pay costs out of the funds of the city in his hands.

SEC. 123. The city shall provide and furnish for the proper use and occupation of the police court such adequate court room or rooms as may be required by the court in and for the transaction of its business. The court shall be open for the transaction of business every day, except Sundays, during the usual hours of business.

SEC. 124. The police court, or a judge thereof, shall have and exercise all the powers in relation to the issuing of process against any person lawfully complained against, and the granting of summons or capias for witnesses, and the issuing of all search warrants, as are conferred upon justices of the peace by the provisions of the general statutes.

SEC. 125. Process issued by the police court may be served by any police officer of the city, or by any proper officer, or by any person specially deputed by the court for that purpose. Fees for the service of process so issued may be allowed and paid only at the discretion of the court, and only to persons who are not paid members of the police force of the city.

SEC. 126. Whenever any complaint shall be brought to the police court for any act cognizable by such court and made an offense by the provisions of this act or by the ordinances of the city, a form substantially as follows may be used and shall be sufficient: To the police court of the city of New London comes A. B., prosecuting attorney, and on his oath of office complains and information makes, that since the incorporation of said city, to wit: on the day of, A. D. 19..., and within the limits of the city, C. D., of the town of, in the county of, with force and arms, herein set forth the act complained of, against the peace, contrary to the ordinance of said city, and to the form of the statute in such case made and provided. Wherefore, the said attorney prays process, and that C. D. may be arrested and held to answer to this complaint, and be thereon dealt with according to law.

Dated at New London, Connecticut, this day of, 19...
A. B., prosecuting attorney.

Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting other forms in reference to the same matters, or as invalidating any other sufficient form.

SEC. 127. The police court may, in its discretion, reduce or disallow fees taxable by the court in cases where the negligence of any ministerial or informing officer, or the discharge of the accused for want of evidence, or the insufficiency of the service rendered, or any other circumstances, shall render such reduction or disallowance expedient.

SEC. 128. It shall be lawful for all officers authorized to serve process issued by and returnable to the police court, and it shall be their duty to arrest without previous complaint and warrant all persons found intoxicated, all vagrants and all persons found engaged in disorderly conduct, breaches of the peace or common assaults, when such offenses are committed within the limits of the city and the offenders are taken and apprehended in the act or on speedy information from others. It shall be lawful for the police court to proceed to trial and render judgment, without previous complaint and warrant, upon the person so arrested in the same manner as if he had been arrested upon process issued by the court.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.

SEC. 129. The judge of the police court shall appoint a prosecuting attorney to act within and for the city. The prosecuting attorney so appointed shall hold office during the term of the judge appointing him, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, unless sooner removed by the judge for cause. Within the limits of the city and of the cognizance and jurisdiction of the police court, and as may be provided and limited by this act, the prosecuting attorney shall exercise the same authority and perform the same duties within his sphere and in the same manner as may be prescribed by law for the state's attorney in the several counties. He shall also have the same powers and authority in the presentment of cases, and to investigate, advise and inquire in all criminal matters, as are conferred upon grand jurors of towns by the general statutes; and shall exclusively, except when his proper substitute may act in his stead, have and perform all the duties and exercise all the powers within the limits of the city and of the cognizance of the police court that are by law assigned to and conferred upon prosecuting agents under the general statutes.

SEC. 130. It shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney diligently to inquire after and make due presentment or complaint to the police court of all crimes, misdemeanors and other criminal matters, and all violations of the liquor laws, whereof the court shall have jurisdiction or cognizance, or in which it may in any manner lawfully act. In all or any of such matters committed to his charge it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney to make information or complaint to the police court and to present such information or complaint against the accused before that court. Upon such complaint by the prosecuting attorney, or his lawfully acting substitute, the court may issue its warrant for the arrest of the person or persons so complained of, to be duly returned to the court, upon which warrant such persons so arrested shall be in due course presented for trial on such complaint.

SEC. 131. The prosecuting attorney shall be paid a yearly salary by the city, which shall be fixed by ordinance. Said salary shall not be less than that in effect at the time of the passage of this act.

SEC. 132. None of the duties hitherto by law imposed upon the informing officers of the city and town of New London, or upon prosecuting agents under the liquor laws, shall be performed, nor shall any of the powers conferred upon any of such officers by the general statutes be exercised within the limits of the city and of the jurisdiction of the police court, by any person other than the prosecuting attorney, or his proper substitute duly appointed in accordance with the provisions of this act.

SEC. 133. The judge of the police court shall annually appoint an assistant prosecuting attorney who shall act in the absence or inability to act of the prosecuting attorney. Such assistant, when so acting, shall have the same duties and powers as those by law assigned to the prosecuting attorney and, for his services when so acting, he shall be paid the fees prescribed by law for grand jurors in criminal cases.

SEC. 134. Whenever for any reason neither the prosecuting attorney nor the assistant prosecuting attorney is able to perform the duties of such office, the judge of the police court shall designate some proper person as a substitute for the prosecuting attorney, to be the acting prosecuting attorney and to act in his place and stead until the occasion for such appointment shall be found by the court to have ceased. Any such substitute, while so acting, shall be charged with all the duties and shall have and may exercise all the powers belonging to the office of the prosecuting attorney, and for his services shall be paid the fees prescribed by law for grand jurors in criminal cases.

CITY COURT.

SEC. 135. There shall be held in the city of New London on the first Tuesday of each month, at the court room of the police court, a city court. The judge and assistant judge of the police court shall be judge and assistant judge of the city court; and the clerk of the police court shall be clerk of the city court. In case the judge, by reason of sickness, absence from the city or other cause, shall be unable to perform the duties of his office, or in case he be disqualified and the parties in the cause shall not, by agreement in writing filed with the clerk of such court, waive all objections to his acting therein, the assistant judge shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of the judge during the continuance of such inability or disqualification. In case both the judge and assistant judge of the city court shall for any reason be unable to act, the clerk of the court shall, in writing, call in a qualified justice of the peace, residing in the town, who shall act as judge of the city court during the continuance of the inability to act of the judge and assistant judge. When so acting a justice of the peace shall have the powers and be subject to the duties imposed by law upon the judge of the city court and shall receive compensation at the rate provided for the assistant judge thereof.

SEC. 136. The processes in all suits brought to the city court shall be the same as processes to courts of common pleas, and may be signed, issued or served by officials authorized by law to sign, issue or serve processes to or of the court of common pleas in New London county. All bonds for prosecution taken by any of the officers hereby empowered to sign writs shall be good and effectual, and bonds for prosecution and special bail shall be taken to the adverse party.

SEC. 137. Writs returnable to the city court shall be served upon defendants living within the limits of the city at least six days, and upon defendants living without the city at least twelve days before the sitting of the court to which the writs are returnable. All writs shall be returned to the clerk of the city court on or before the Saturday preceding the term of the court to which they may be returnable.

SEC. 138. The city court shall have power to adjourn from time to time and shall have cognizance of all cases at law in which the debt, damage or matter in demand does not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars, if the parties, or either of them, reside in the city. Such court shall have the same power and authority in causes within its jurisdiction, shall grant executions, and shall proceed in the same manner as the court of common pleas in the county of New London. Executions granted by the court shall be served and returned in the same manner as executions granted by the court of common pleas, but all causes shall be heard and determined by the city court, and appeals may be taken from the judgments thereof to the court to which appeals now are or may be taken from judgments before justices of the peace. In the allowance of appeals the city court shall be subject to the provisions prescribed by law for the allowance of appeals in causes tried by justices of the peace.

SEC. 139. The city court shall have jurisdiction of all cases of summary process, wherein the premises of which possession is sought to be recovered are wholly within the city, subject in all respects to the provisions which may be prescribed by law for the trial of such cases before a justice of the peace, except that the summons shall be signed and issued and the bond taken by the judge or clerk of the city court.

SEC. 140. Any defendant or one of several defendants, may, when a civil suit against him is brought before a justice of the peace in said town of New London, cause such suit to be held before the city court of New London by giving written notice to the plaintiff or one of the plaintiffs, or to his or their attorney in the case, and by giving written notice to the justice of the peace before whom such suit is brought, which notice shall be served at least forty-eight hours before the hour at which the suit is returnable, and may be served by any proper officer or indifferent person by leaving a copy thereof with the justice to be so notified, or at his usual place of abode. Said notice may be in the form following: "A. B. v. C. D. Said case is transferred to the city court of New London," signed by one of the defendants or his attorney; and

the person serving said notice on such justice of the peace, upon the payment of a fee of fifty cents, shall receive from said justice the complaint in said case, and shall forthwith file it with the judge or clerk of said city court in which it shall be proceeded with as if originally made returnable to said court.

SEC. 141. The fees of parties in action before the city court shall, in all cases within the jurisdiction of justices of the peace, be the same as are now prescribed by law for justices of the peace for the trial of civil cases, and the court may allow and tax in all such cases the fees thus prescribed. In all other cases before said court fees may be allowed and taxed as follows in each case, to wit: For each day or part of day engaged in the trial of a case or on the hearing of any motion or application before said court a fee of five dollars, said fee to be paid to the judge hearing such case or motion as compensation for his services rendered in such case; clerk fee, three dollars for the entry of each case and five dollars for recording judgment and judgment file, said fees to be paid to the clerk of said court as compensation for his services rendered in such case. The clerk of the city court shall keep a record of the proceedings thereof.

SEC. 142. The council may, if it shall deem it expedient, provide that a salary be paid by the city to the judge of the city court and, in such case, the fees allowed by law to the city shall be paid into the city treasury.

SEC. 143. The council may, if it shall deem it expedient, provide that a salary be paid by the city to the clerk of the city court and, in such case, all fees and perquisites now allowed by law to such clerk shall be paid into the city treasury.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

SEC. 144. All accounts and records of every office and department of the city shall be open to the public at all reasonable times, except records and documents from which might be secured information which might defeat the lawful purpose of the officer or department withholding them from access to the public.

SEC. 145. No person in the administrative service of the city shall directly or indirectly give, solicit or receive, or in any manner be concerned in giving, soliciting or receiving any assessment, subscription or contribution to be used in a city election. No person shall orally or by letter solicit or be in any manner concerned in soliciting any assessment, subscription or contribution for use in city elections from any person holding a position in the administrative service. No person shall use or promise to use his influence or official authority to secure any appointment, or prospective appointment, to any city position as a reward or return for personal or partisan political service.

SEC. 146. No person about to be appointed to any position in the service of the city shall sign or execute a resignation dated or undated

in advance of such appointment. No person in the service of the city shall discharge, suspend, lay off, reduce in grade or in any manner change the official rank or compensation of any person in such service, or promise or threaten to do so, for withholding or neglecting to make any contribution of money or service or any valuable thing for any political purpose. No person in the service of the city shall use his official authority or influence to coerce the political action of any person or body, or to interfere with any nomination or election to public office. No person holding an appointive office or place in the city government shall act as an officer of a political organization or take any active part in a political campaign, or serve as a member of a committee of any such organization, or circulate or seek signatures to any petition provided for by primary or election laws, or act as a worker at the polls in favor of or opposed to any candidate for nomination or election to any public office.

SEC. 147. Any person who shall wilfully or through culpable negligence violate any of the provisions of sections one hundred and forty-five and one hundred and forty-six of this act shall be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not exceeding six months, or both. No such person shall be appointed to any position in the service of the city and, if he be an officer or employee of the city, he shall immediately forfeit his office or employment.

SEC. 148. No member of the council or any other officer or employee of the city shall have a financial interest, direct or indirect, in any contract with the city, or be financially interested, directly or indirectly, in the sale to the city of any land, materials, supplies or services, except on behalf of the city as an officer or employee or as a member of the council. Any wilful violation of this section shall constitute malfeasance in office, and any member of the council, officer or employee found guilty thereof shall thereby forfeit his office or position. Any violation of this section with the knowledge, expressed or implied, of the person or corporation contracting with the city shall render the contract involved voidable by the city manager or the council. This section shall not apply to members of the council who may be members of a firm or corporation which has secured a city contract after public advertisement for bids as the lowest responsible bidder.

SEC. 149. All officers of the city shall be sworn or affirmed to the faithful discharge of their duties, and the form of oath or affirmation to be administered shall be as follows: "Having been chosen
..... of the city of New London, do you swear that you will faithfully discharge the duties of the office, according to your best skill and judgment; so help you God;" or, "Having been chosen.....
..... of the city of New London, do you solemnly and sincerely affirm and declare that you will faithfully discharge the duties of the office according to your best skill and judgment, upon the pains and penalties of perjury." Any such oath or affirmation may be administered by the

city clerk or by any councilman of the city, if he has first been sworn or affirmed according to this act, or by a justice of the peace or any other officer authorized by law to administer oaths.

SEC. 150. The city manager, the director of finance, the city treasurer and such other officers and employees as the council may require so to do, shall give bond in such amount and with such surety as may be approved by the council. Premiums on such bonds may be paid by the city.

SEC. 151. From and after the approval of this act by the electors of New London, as hereinafter provided, the only elective officers of the town and city government of New London shall be the members of the city council, the members of the board of school visitors and the selectmen. All persons holding administrative office at the time this act takes effect, whether elected or appointed, shall continue in office and in the performance of their duties until provision shall have been made in accordance with the provisions of this act for the performance of such duties or the discontinuance of such office. The powers conferred and the duties imposed by law upon any office, commission, board or department of the city or town abolished by this act shall, upon the taking effect thereof, be exercised and discharged by the office or department designated by the council unless otherwise provided herein.

SEC. 152. All contracts entered into by the city, or for its benefit, prior to the taking effect of this act shall continue in full force and effect. All public work begun prior to the taking effect of this act shall be continued and perfected thereunder. Public improvements for which legislative steps shall have been taken under laws in force at the time this charter takes effect may be carried to completion in accordance with the provisions of such laws. All ordinances and resolutions in force at the time of the taking effect of this charter, not inconsistent with its provisions, shall continue in force until amended or repealed.

SEC. 153. The finding of the invalidity of any provision of this act shall not be deemed to invalidate the remaining provisions thereof.

SEC. 154. In addition to the paid members of the fire department there shall be an honorary grade known as the veteran firemen reserve to which the council, on recommendation by the city manager, may transfer any member of the regular fire department force who, through age, or physical disability incurred in the discharge of duty, or through long and faithful service shall become permanently disqualified for the more active duties of the regular grade. The compensation of members of the veteran firemen reserve shall be fixed by the council in accordance with the amount of duty performed and shall not be more than one-half or less than one-fourth of the rate of compensation received by such members at the time of their transfer from the regular grade. Any member of the veteran firemen reserve may be removed in the same manner as a member of the regular force.

SEC. 155. The council, upon recommendation of the city manager,

may provide a pension roll to which may be transferred any appointive officer or employee of any department of the city, except the police and fire departments, who through age, or physical disability incurred in the discharge of duty or through long and faithful service shall become permanently disqualified for further service. The compensation of such officers or employees of the city transferred to the pension roll shall be fixed by the council and shall not be more than one-half or less than one-fourth of the rate of compensation received by such officers or employees at the time of their transfer from active service.

SEC. 156. On the first Monday in June, 1921, the question of the adoption of this act shall be submitted to the electors of New London. The vote upon the question shall be conducted and the ballots given in, received and counted in the manner prescribed by the laws of the state for general elections. Each ward shall be considered a voting district and shall be used as such. The ballots used in voting on such adoption shall have printed thereon the question, "Shall the city of New London adopt the council-manager plan of government as provided in the act of, 1921?" Immediately below the question shall appear the words "Yes" and "No" one above the other in the order named. At the left of each of the words shall be a square in which by making a cross mark (x) the elector can indicate his choice for or against the proposed plan. Such ballots shall be in form substantially as follows:

Shall the City of New London adopt the Council-Manager Plan of Govern- ment as provided in the Act of, 19....?	
	YES
	NO

SEC. 157. If when submitted to the electors of the city as provided in the foregoing section a majority of the electors voting on the question vote in favor of the adoption of this act it shall be deemed adopted; and for the purpose of nominating and electing members of the council, members of the board of school visitors and selectmen it shall be in effect from and after such adoption, and in all other respects it shall be in effect from and after the first Monday in October, 1921.

SEC. 158. For the purpose of nominating and electing the officers first chosen under this act, the court of common council and the city clerk under the existing charter of New London shall have the powers

and perform the duties with respect to nominations and elections conferred on and required of the city council and the city clerk by this act.

SEC. 159. Upon the taking effect of any part of this act the provisions of the present city charter and of any other law or ordinance in conflict with such part shall be deemed repealed; and, from and after the first Monday in October next following the adoption of this act, all provisions of the present city charter or other law of the state, or of any ordinance, in conflict therewith shall be deemed repealed in so far as the same may affect the city of New London.

SEC. 160. When the city of New London shall have operated for more than two years under the provisions of this act it may abandon its organization hereunder and may assume its charter in effect at the time of the passage of this act by proceeding as follows: Upon the petition of not less than twenty-five per centum of the electors of the city a special election shall be called at which the following proposition only shall be submitted: "Shall the city of New London abandon its organization under the act of 1921 and assume its former special charter?" The sufficiency of such petition shall be determined, the election held and conducted, and the results declared as provided herein for the submission of matters hereunder to referendum so far as the provisions thereof are applicable. If a majority of the votes cast at such special election is in favor of such proposition, the officers elected at the next succeeding election shall be those prescribed by the former charter, and said city shall be governed by said former charter, but such change shall not affect the property rights or liabilities of such city, but shall merely extend to its form of government.

Approved, May 27, 1921.

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[331.]

AN ACT AMENDING AND REVISING THE CHARTER OF THE
CITY OF DERBY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All inhabitants of this state dwelling within the territorial limits of the city of Derby shall be and hereafter remain a body politic and corporate by the name of the city of Derby, and by such name they and their successors shall have perpetual succession, and be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all suits of any nature whatsoever, and of purchasing, holding and conveying any estate, real or personal, and may have a common seal, and alter the same. They shall also be freemen of said city, and shall have all the powers conferred upon a city under the general statutes.

TAX DISTRICTS.

SEC. 2. Said city, for the purposes of taxation, shall be divided into two districts. The first district shall comprise all of the territory of said city, and the second district shall comprise all the territory contained within the following described limits, viz.: Commencing on the easterly side of the Housatonic river at the mouth of Crofutt's brook, so called, thence running north sixteen degrees east, about eleven hundred and fifty-five feet to the southwest corner of Wilhelmina Green's lot; thence running north twenty-two degrees, forty-five minutes west, about twelve hundred and seventy-nine feet; thence running north eight degrees, thirty minutes west, about six hundred and eighty-seven feet to a point at the north line of Bank street and two hundred and fifty feet easterly from the center line of Derby avenue; thence running northerly in a line parallel with Derby avenue and two hundred and fifty feet easterly from the center line thereto to the boundary line between the cities of Derby and Ansonia; thence running westerly along the boundary line between said cities to the westerly side of Seymour avenue; thence running westerly to the southeast corner of land of Edward and Rose Gesner; and thence running in a straight line to a point in the center of Hawthorne avenue opposite the house of the estate of Elizabeth Lein; thence running southerly along the center of Cedric avenue and continuing the same in a straight line to the intersection with the boundary line between the cities of Derby and Shelton; thence running along the boundary line between the said cities to a point in continuation in a straight line of the first course; thence easterly to the point of beginning.

SEC. 3. All the inhabitants and property within the limits of the first district shall be liable to taxation to defray expenses imposed upon said city to the same extent as they would be liable if such expenses, duties and powers had not been transferred from said town to said city, and in addition thereto for the expenses of the board of health of said city, and the expenses of criminal prosecutions, and fire protection outside of said second district to the extent of five hundred dollars, and police protection outside of said second district to the extent of one thousand dollars per annum, and truant officers, and all other burdens and expenses of said city shall be met by taxation levied upon the inhabitants and property within the limits of the second district, and it shall be the duty of the assessors and board of relief of said city to indicate in the compilation of the grand list that property which is and that property which is not taxable by said city in each of said districts, and the revenue derived from the taxation of the inhabitants and property of the second district exclusively shall not be expended for any purpose for which the money of said second district of said city cannot lawfully be expended under the provisions of this act.

WARD LIMITS.

SEC. 4. So much of said city as is included in the following boundaries shall be and remain the first ward of said city, to wit: Commencing at the junction of the Naugatuck river with the Housatonic river; thence following the boundary line between Derby and Shelton to a point opposite the easterly line of the grounds of the Oak Cliff cemetery; thence running northeasterly along the easterly line of land of said cemetery to Hawthorne avenue; thence running across said avenue and easterly along the center line of Seventh street to Hawkins street; thence across said Hawkins street and easterly along the center line of Cottage street, and continuing easterly in a straight line to the center of the Naugatuck river; thence southerly along the center of said Naugatuck river to its junction with the Housatonic river, at the point of beginning. So much of said city as is included in the following boundaries shall be and remain the second ward of said city, to wit: Commencing at the boundary line between Derby and Shelton, at a point opposite the easterly line of the grounds of the Oak Cliff cemetery; thence running northeasterly along the easterly line of said land of said cemetery to Hawthorne avenue; thence running across said avenue and easterly along the center line of Seventh street to the center line of Hawkins street; thence southerly along the center line of Hawkins street to the center line of Cottage street, thence easterly along the center line of Cottage street and continuing easterly in a straight line to the center of the Naugatuck river; thence running northerly along the center of said river to the boundary line between Derby and Ansonia; thence continuing westerly and southerly along the boundary line between Derby and Ansonia and the town of Seymour to the boundary line of Shelton; and thence running along the boundary line between Shelton and Derby to the place of beginning. So much of said city as is included in the following boundaries shall be and remain the third ward of said city, to wit: All that part of said city lying east of the center line of the Naugatuck and Housatonic rivers, and within the boundary line of said city with the city of Ansonia and the towns of Woodbridge and Orange.

ELECTIONS.

SEC. 5. A city election for the election of officers of said city shall be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November, 1922, and biennially thereafter, in the several wards of said city, at which time the electors of said city by a plurality of the ballots cast shall elect a mayor, a treasurer, a town clerk, a chairman of the board of education, two selectmen, two city sheriffs, two auditors, two registrars and a board of apportionment and taxation composed of ten members. At said elections the electors of each ward shall by a plurality of the ballots cast elect two aldermen from the two political parties in such ward casting

the greatest number of ballots for such officer. The selectmen, city sheriffs, auditors, registrars and board of apportionment and taxation shall be elected from the two political parties casting the greatest number of ballots for such officers, respectively, and each, including members of the board of aldermen, shall hold office for two years from the first Monday of January next succeeding their election and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, excepting members of the board of apportionment and taxation who shall hold office for the term of two years from the first Monday of December next succeeding their election and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. At the biennial election held in November, 1922, and quadrennially thereafter, the electors of the first ward shall elect two members of the board of education from the two political parties in said ward casting the greatest number of ballots for such officers, and at the biennial election held in November, 1924, and quadrennially thereafter, the electors of the second and third wards shall respectively elect two members of the board of education from the two political parties of such wards respectively casting the greatest number of ballots for such officers. The members of the board of education so elected shall hold office for four years from the first Monday of January next succeeding their election, and until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified. All of the officers described above shall be voted for on the same ballot, and no elector shall vote for more than one selectman, one city sheriff, one auditor, one registrar, one alderman, one member of the board of education and five members of the board of apportionment and taxation. At such elections the polls shall be opened at six o'clock a. m. and closed at the hours designated for such purposes under the provisions of the general statutes, and the ballots shall be cast, received and counted in the manner provided by law for the casting, receiving and counting of ballots at the biennial state election. The registry list used at such meetings shall be in all respects like the list used in the biennial state election.

SEC. 6. Whenever any elective officer of said city except a member of the board of education shall die, resign or remove his residence from said city, or whenever any ward officer shall die, resign or remove his residence from said ward, or whenever for any reason any city or ward officer shall become incapacitated to perform the duties of his office, such office shall be vacant, and the members of the board of aldermen from the same political party in which such vacancy occurs shall forthwith fill such vacancy from the political party in which such vacancy occurs.

SEC. 7. Every person residing in said city qualified to vote as hereinafter provided, shall, while such qualification continues, be entitled to vote at all meetings of said city and at all meetings of the ward in which such elector is registered. Every person not so qualified who shall vote in any meeting of said city or of any ward thereof, or being so qualified, shall give in any such meeting more than one vote for one

person for the same office, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than sixty days or both.

SEC. 8. The secretary of each political primary, caucus or city convention nominating candidates for any office to be voted for in any election in said city, shall, within twenty-four hours after such nominations are made, make and file with the city clerk a complete list of the names of the candidates nominated, including the offices for which such candidates are nominated. Any number of voters associated together and nominating candidates for city or state officers, either directly or through a city convention to which delegates are chosen, shall be a political party within the meaning of this act.

SEC. 9. The mayor shall designate the polling places in each ward in said city, notice whereof shall be published at least one week preceding such biennial election in a newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city. All special elections required by law shall be carried on in the same manner and subject to the same provisions as prescribed for the biennial state election in said city. There shall be one moderator in each ward who shall officiate for both the city and state election in such ward when such elections are held on the same day, and immediately after the count of the ballots in each of the wards of said city, the counters shall deliver the result thereof to the moderator of the ward, who shall publicly declare the same immediately thereafter. The moderators of the several wards of said city, except the first ward, shall transmit to the moderator of the first ward of said city a certificate of the results of the ballots cast in their respective wards for the officers hereinbefore designated and also a certificate of the result of the ballots cast for any officer which may be voted for in the election and the moderator of the first ward shall forthwith cause such returns to be compiled and publicly announce the names of the successful candidates for the several offices voted for in such election and shall forthwith transmit a copy of such returns to the city clerk, who shall record the same. The moderator in each ward shall have all the power for the preservation of the peace and good order at such meetings conferred by law upon the moderators of town meetings. The moderators, registrars and other election officers shall be subject to the same penalties for refusal or neglect to discharge their duties or for malfeasance in office as are provided by the general statutes for like offenses at electors' meetings. Immediately after the closing of the polls in each ward the registrars or deputy registrars, as the case may be, shall make and deliver to the moderator of their respective wards a certificate in which shall appear the whole number of names on the registry list of such ward, the number of names checked as having voted the city ticket in such ward and the number of names checked as having voted the state ticket in such ward, and the number of names not checked on the registry list used for the city and the registry list used for the state ticket in such ward. Whenever at any biennial elec-

tion there shall be no election to any office described in this act by reason of a tie vote such election shall be adjourned to the Tuesday next following and the election to fill such office shall be proceeded with in the manner hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 10. All electors' meetings in said city shall be warned by the mayor in the manner required by law of town clerks of towns. The mayor shall possess all the powers vested in and perform all the duties imposed by law upon selectmen of towns in relation to providing and designating ballot boxes, ticket booths, and suitable and convenient places for the holding of elections in said city and for securing the quiet conduct of all elections. At all meetings held by the electors of said city for the choice of city and town officers, every person may vote who is qualified to vote in accordance with the provisions of the general statutes as an elector and whose name is on the revised registry list of said city, completed for use in the biennial electors' meeting for the state election in November and who, by virtue of such qualification and registration, is entitled to vote at such biennial electors' meeting unless, after such registration, such elector has lost or forfeited the privileges of an elector, and every person offering so to vote and being challenged as to his right to exercise the privileges of an elector, shall, before he votes, prove his right to exercise such privileges by the testimony under oath of at least one other elector.

MAYOR.

SEC. 11. The mayor of said city shall be the chief executive magistrate thereof; he shall be vigilant in the execution and enforcement of its laws and ordinances. He may administer oaths and take depositions and the acknowledgment of deeds and other instruments. He shall be the conservator of the peace of said city, and shall have the authority, with force when necessary, to suppress all tumults, riots, routs and unlawful assemblies, and to arrest without warrant, and to commit to prison, for a period not exceeding twenty-four hours, any person who may be detected in reveling, quarreling, brawling or otherwise behaving in a disorderly manner to the disturbance of the public peace of said city. He may also enter any house, building, place or enclosure wherein he may have reasonable cause to suspect any dissolute or disorderly person or persons to be assembled, or any assemblage for any unlawful purpose, or which he may suspect to be occupied or used for the purpose of lewdness or prostitution, and command any such person or persons found therein to immediately disperse; and in case of refusal or neglect to obey such command, he may commit any person so disobeying to prison and forthwith make information against him. He is authorized to exercise within the limits of said city all the powers given to sheriffs by the general statutes of this state for the preservation of the peace and may at all times command the aid of any sheriff, deputy sheriff, city sheriff,

watchman or policeman, or any or all of them, with such other aid as may be necessary, in the enforcement and execution of the duties and authority herein mentioned; and whenever he shall have reason to believe that great opposition will be made to the execution of his authority he may call out the active militia of said city, and may exert all the force necessary to enable him to execute the laws within said city. The mayor shall recommend the adoption of all such measures connected with the police, security, health, cleanliness and general well-being of said city and the improvement of its government and finances as he shall deem expedient. He may communicate to the board of aldermen at the end of each fiscal year a general statement of the situation, state and condition of the city in relation to its government, expenditures, finances and improvements, which report and recommendations shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk. He shall also discharge all the duties imposed upon him by the charter and ordinances of the city and the laws of the state and of the United States.

SEC. 12. Any person who shall wilfully hinder, obstruct, resist or abuse the mayor in the execution of his office, or when commanded to assist therein, being of sufficient age and ability, shall refuse or unreasonably neglect to do so, shall, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or be imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding six months, or both, at the discretion of the court having cognizance of the offense.

SEC. 13. The mayor within thirty days after assuming the duties of his office, if a vacancy exists in the office of city clerk, shall appoint a city clerk, and shall appoint a corporation counsel, a health officer, a tax collector, a street commissioner who shall also be tree warden, a police commissioner, a fire commissioner, a commissioner of charities, sinking fund commissioners, a building inspector and a sealer of weights and measures, each of whom shall hold office until the first Monday of January next succeeding the next biennial city election and until their respective successors are appointed and qualified. The mayor shall also appoint the assessors as hereinafter provided. The mayor is vested with authority to remove any officer of said city appointed by him, for any cause that shall seem to said mayor sufficient, of which cause said mayor shall be sole judge, and his actions shall not be subject to review by any court or other tribunal except in the case of the city clerk.

SEC. 14. Each of said officers shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties. The mayor and board of aldermen may require any officers to give bonds to the city in such amount as said board may determine, except where the amount is herein provided for.

SEC. 15. No officer of said city shall be at the same time a member of the board of aldermen. Neither the mayor, city clerk, assistant city clerk, street commissioner, police commissioners, fire commissioner or commissioner of charities shall directly or indirectly furnish any materials to said city or be directly or indirectly employed to do any work for said city except his official duty.

SEC. 16. The mayor shall preside at the meetings of the board of aldermen, and in case of a tie shall have a vote. He shall also have the right to vote upon the appointment or election of any person by the board of aldermen.

SEC. 17. At the beginning of each municipal year the board of aldermen shall elect from among its members a president of the board, who shall preside in the absence of the mayor, and in case of the death, resignation, absence, disability or inability to act, of the mayor, shall possess all authority and perform all duties of the mayor until such mayor shall return, or be able to act, or until another is chosen and qualified in his place, as the case may be.

TREASURER.

SEC. 18. The treasurer of said city shall have the same authority and perform the same duties in said city as town treasurers have and perform in their respective towns. He shall, at the end of each fiscal year, report to the board of aldermen a detailed statement of the receipts of money paid into the treasury, and the expenditures therefrom, during said year, with an accurate statement of the condition of the treasury at the end of such fiscal year, which report, having been duly audited, shall be published in the annual city report. Said treasurer shall, in a book kept for that purpose, enter the date, amount and time payable, of all moneys borrowed by said city, upon note or otherwise, with the name of the payee, and upon the payment of any such loan, shall enter the same in proper manner in said book. He shall pay orders drawn upon the treasurer by the proper authority and shall comply with all ordinances and orders of the board of aldermen concerning his office. No order shall be paid or accepted by said treasurer in excess of the appropriation made by said city for that year on the account against which such order is drawn, nor unless the order shall state from what appropriation it is payable.

TOWN CLERK.

SEC. 19. The town clerk may, with the approval of the mayor of said city, appoint an assistant town clerk, and said town clerk shall, ex officio, be the registrar of births, marriages and deaths of said town, and the assistant town clerk shall, ex officio, be the assistant registrar of births, marriages and deaths of said town. The offices of town clerk and city clerk may be held by the same person.

CHAIRMAN BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEC. 20. The chairman of the board of education shall preside at the meetings of said board and in addition to acting as chairman, may exercise the same authority as any member of the board.

SELECTMEN.

SEC. 21. The authority and duties of selectmen shall hereafter be limited to the authority vested in and the duties imposed upon selectmen by the constitution and laws of this state relative to the admission of persons to the privileges of electors, and to the entering on and the erasure from the registry list of names of those who have forfeited the privileges of electors in said city.

CITY SHERIFFS.

SEC. 22. The city sheriffs shall, within the limits of the city, have the same authority, both civil and criminal, and be subject to the same liabilities and penalties as sheriffs of counties and constables of towns. Said sheriffs shall attend, when required, as court officer at the city court when sitting for the transaction of civil business and shall serve notices of orders of the board of aldermen when directed by the clerk.

AUDITORS.

SEC. 23. The auditors shall examine and audit the books and accounts of said city from time to time as may be required under the provisions of this act or any ordinance passed in accordance with the provisions of this act.

REGISTRARS.

SEC. 24. The registrars shall exercise the authority and perform the duties in said city required by law of such officers in the several towns. They shall each appoint two deputies to assist in the duties of such office.

ALDERMEN.

SEC. 25. The board of aldermen shall consist of six members who shall be elected and hold office as hereinbefore provided. Four members of the board of aldermen, exclusive of the mayor, shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of four members of said board, exclusive of the mayor, shall be required to approve any bill or claim against the city. The mayor shall vote in case of a tie and shall appoint all the regular or standing committees of said board.

SEC. 26. The board of aldermen may be specially convened at any time by the mayor upon such notice as the ordinances of the city shall prescribe, and regular meetings of said board shall be held at such times as may be fixed by the board. Said board may determine the rules of its proceedings, punish its members for disorderly conduct, and by a two-thirds vote of all its members, present or absent, suspend or expel a member for cause. Any member of said board who shall, directly or indirectly, accept, receive, take or bargain for any bribe or fee

or pecuniary consideration in connection with any duty as such official shall be fined an amount equal to such bribe, fee or pecuniary consideration, and shall be expelled from said office and be forever disqualified from holding any office in said city.

SEC. 27. Every vote, resolution, order or ordinance having passed said board of aldermen shall, within five days, be sent to the mayor, who shall within fifteen days after its receipt either approve it, in which case it shall become operative and effectual, or disapprove it, in which case it shall not become operative or effectual, in which latter case he shall return it to the board of aldermen, at or before its next regular meeting, with a statement of his objections in writing, and after such statement has been read another vote shall be taken by the yeas and nays upon such measure, and if the result of such vote is in its favor by the affirmative vote of at least five members of the board, it shall thereupon become operative and effectual as though approved by him. The mayor shall, within fifteen days after the receipt of any such measure, in case he approves of it, or in case he refuses to signify his approval or disapproval thereof, file the same with the city clerk. In case such vote, resolution, order or ordinance shall relate to two or more subjects, the mayor may approve or disapprove such vote, resolution, order or ordinance, in whole or in part, in the manner and with the effect hereinbefore provided. Said board of aldermen shall not be specially convened to meet within twenty-four hours of notice given by the mayor, unless notice is given to all the members thereof, either in person or by leaving a copy of such notice at their usual place of abode, but any meeting of the board of aldermen at which the mayor and all the aldermen are present shall be a legal meeting. Said board shall exercise the same authority relative to the admission of persons to settlement in said city that may be exercised by the inhabitants, justices of the peace and selectmen of their respective towns.

SEC. 28. All grants and leases of real estate, belonging to said city, signed by the mayor, sealed with the city seal, approved by the board of aldermen and recorded in the town where the real estate is situated, shall be effectual to convey the property described therein. All leases of real estate shall be awarded to the highest responsible bidder, and shall be founded on sealed bids made in compliance with public notice, duly advertised by publications at least five days before the time fixed for the opening of such bids. The board of aldermen shall have charge of such advertising. The form of such notice shall include terms and conditions under which such lease may be made, and such notice and such lease shall be approved by the corporation counsel. The lessee shall give bonds with surety, to the satisfaction of the mayor, for the faithful performance of and compliance with the terms of such lease. If the successful bidder shall fail to accept such lease within ten days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him according to his bid, or if he shall fail to execute his contract and to

give proper surety, such lease shall be readvertised and relet in the manner provided herein.

SEC. 29. Said board of aldermen may appoint a fire police force of not more than thirty members to act in conjunction with the fire department when on duty, and also to act as special police whenever their services may be required, and may make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the government, control and maintenance thereof.

SEC. 30. Every committee of the board of aldermen shall have authority to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses and to commit for contempt in the same manner and to the same extent as the court of common pleas for New Haven county, and to administer oaths by its chairman. Wilful and false swearing before any committee shall constitute the crime of perjury and may be punished as such.

SEC. 31. The board of aldermen of said city shall have authority to designate a line or lines on the land adjoining any highway or street in said city, between which line or lines and such highway or street no building or part thereof, nor any veranda or part thereof, respectively, shall be erected. Any person erecting any building or part thereof between any such building line and the street or any veranda or part thereof between such veranda line and the street, shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars and any building or veranda erected in violation of any provision hereof may be removed at the owner's expense, and such expense shall be a lien on the real estate of the person violating any provision hereof.

SEC. 32. The board of aldermen shall have authority to designate by ordinance limits in said city within which no building or part of any building shall be erected or moved, unless such building or part of building, or the outer walls and roof thereof shall be constructed of such inflammable material as the board of aldermen may in such ordinance prescribe. Any building or part thereof erected or in process of erection, within such limits or moved into the same in violation of any provision of any such ordinance shall be removed upon notice in writing to the owner thereof given by the mayor to remove the same from said limits within a time to be specified in such notice.

SEC. 33. The board of aldermen of the city of Derby, by and with the consent and approval of the board of apportionment and taxation of said city, is authorized in the name of said city to borrow temporarily such sums from time to time as in their opinion may be needed for city purposes in anticipation of such taxes as shall have been previously laid by said city, provided the total outstanding obligations of such temporary loans at any time shall not exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars. The treasurer of said city, whenever authorized by said board of aldermen and said board of apportionment and taxation, shall execute and deliver to the persons or corporation from which the money is borrowed one or more promissory notes signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the mayor covering such amounts. All notes so executed and delivered

shall be binding on the city, and the city shall be liable to pay for the same according to the tenor and effect thereof. The money so borrowed shall be paid from the taxes previously laid as soon as said taxes shall have been collected. In no case shall any of said temporary loans, made in anticipation of taxes, remain unpaid at the end of the fiscal year in which said money is borrowed.

SEC. 34. The board of aldermen, when assembled according to law, is authorized by a majority vote of the members of said board to make, alter, repeal and enforce ordinances not inconsistent with this act or the statute laws of this state or of the United States, for the following purposes, viz.: To manage, regulate and control the finances and property, real and personal, of the city; to regulate the sale, conveyance and transfer of said property; to regulate the mode of assessment and collection of taxes for city purposes; to provide for the due execution and delivery of deeds, grants and releases of city property, of contracts and of evidences of indebtedness issued by said city; to provide the mode of keeping the accounts of said city and of adjusting claims against said city; to regulate and fix the salaries and compensation of all officers and employees of said city and to prescribe the duties of said officers and employees not expressly fixed and prescribed by the provisions of this act; relative to the filling of any vacancy which may occur in the office of town clerk, registrar of voters or any other town or city office, for the unexpired term, not otherwise provided for in this act; relative to the election of fence viewers, pound keepers, game wardens, and all other officers to be appointed by towns or the selectmen of towns, not otherwise provided for in this act; and relative to any and all other duties required to be performed by towns or the selectmen of towns or other officers of towns, and not otherwise provided for in this act; to prescribe and regulate the duties of the corporation counsel; to provide a police force of said city and to regulate and prescribe the duties of said force, which force shall exercise the authority of town constables in respect to criminal matters within the limits of said city; to punish the resistance, hindrance or obstruction of public officers in the discharge of their duties; to preserve order and peace; to prevent and quiet riots and disorderly assemblies; to prevent vice and immorality; to prevent gambling houses, houses of ill-fame and disorderly houses; to prevent any person in said city from loitering on the streets, sidewalks, parks, public places and spaces between sidewalks and buildings, public or private, to the obstruction, hindrance or annoyance of the public; to regulate the carrying on of any trade or business and the keeping open of stores, shops and saloons between sunset and midnight of the first day of the week; to compel the closing of saloons and other places where spirituous and intoxicating liquors are kept and sold; to protect said city from fire and from danger of the same; to organize, maintain and regulate a fire department and to provide fire apparatus; to establish fire limits; to regulate the plans, character and means of construction

of any building and the kind and quality of the materials used for the construction of any building or the alteration or repair of any building; to regulate the use of any building; to adopt a building code; to appoint a building inspector and define his powers and duties; to grant permits for the erection, addition to, repair and enlargement of buildings and the moving of the same, and to prevent the erection, addition to, repair or enlargement or moving thereof, without such permit; to regulate the heating of buildings and cleaning of chimneys; to establish and designate districts of said city within which it shall not be lawful to erect, elevate, enlarge or repair, or into which or within which it shall not be lawful to remove any wooden building or lunch wagon except by the permission of said board of aldermen, or a committee thereof; to regulate the rebuilding, construction, alteration or repair or the continued use of any building that has been burned or partially damaged by fire; to regulate the erection, construction or use within said city of any building which, by reason of its construction, is or may become unsafe; to regulate and provide for safe and convenient egress, in case of emergency, from buildings designated in whole or in part for public use, and to prohibit the use of such buildings which are or may become unsafe by insufficient facilities for egress or for other cause; to control and regulate the use and occupation of all the city buildings; to license, regulate or prohibit the manufacture, keeping, sale or use of fireworks, torpedoes, firecrackers, gunpowder, petroleum or any other explosive or inflammable substance, and the conveyance thereof through any portion of the city; to regulate the discharge of fireworks within said city; to regulate the erection and use of stationary steam boilers; to regulate the storing and piling of lumber; to regulate the location for the running, stringing, carrying, hanging or laying of any electric, power, telephone or telegraph wire and of any post, pole, tower or other support or conduit therefor, including the erection or construction thereof; to provide for the public lighting of the streets and city by any corporation authorized to distribute gas or electricity through the streets and highways of said city, and to protect the same from injury; to regulate all parades and processions, public assemblages, shows and music in the public streets; to regulate the speed of animals, vehicles and cars in the streets of the city; to establish building and veranda lines in said city; to provide for the laying out, grading, establishing and making, discontinuing or altering of highways, streets, walks, public squares, parks and grounds, drains, sewers and gutters for the raising, filling and draining of low lands, the widening, deepening or straightening of any stream within said city; to prescribe the form of proceedings and mode of assessing benefits and appraising damages in taking land for public use, and to prescribe the time when and the manner in which all benefits assessed shall be collected, when not especially prescribed in this act; to make, repair, clean, light and keep open and safe for public use and travel, and free from encroachment and

obstruction, the streets, highways, sidewalks, gutters and public grounds and places in said city; to compel the owners of lands or buildings to remove the snow and ice from the sidewalks and gutters in front of such lands or buildings, and to keep such sidewalks safe from public travel and free from all obstructions; to regulate or prohibit the making of any excavation in any street, highway or public grounds for any public or private purposes, and the location of any work thereon, temporary or permanent, upon or under the surface thereof and to issue permits therefor; the placing of building materials of any description on any sidewalk or highway, and the removal of buildings upon or through the same and to issue permits therefor; to prohibit, license or regulate the selling or disposing of wares and merchandise of every description upon the street, sidewalks or public places; to regulate the speed of railroad locomotives and cars in said city, the blowing of whistles and the ringing of bells, and the hours when the switching of cars shall not be permitted over and across the public streets in said city; to regulate the placing of signs and awnings over the sidewalks; to permit or prevent the erection or maintenance of any bill board and to determine the location, size, materials used in and the form and character of construction of any bill board and to determine the relocation of any bill board and to cause any bill board to be removed; to prevent the disfiguring of trees, poles or posts in the streets of said city by posting or painting notices, signs or advertisements thereon; to regulate or prohibit the running at large of animals and fowls in said city; to license and regulate public hacks and carriages, and the charges of hackmen, public drivers, carmen and truckmen; to regulate the laying of gas pipes, water pipes and drains for public or private purposes in the streets of the city; to regulate the planting and removal and the protection, care and preservation of trees and plants in the streets and parks of said city; to keep the streets and all public places quiet from all undue noise; to prohibit the crying of newspapers upon the Sabbath or at any unreasonable hours upon the streets of said city; to provide for the health of said city and to summarily abate every kind of nuisance in said city; to regulate and prevent the location and use of sinks, cesspools, pigpens, sewers, privies, filth and rubbish in said city, and compel the removal from any place in said city of any nuisance injurious to health or offensive to the public, at the expense of the owners of the premises whereon such nuisance exists; to regulate the moving of any offensive manure or other substance, swill or night-soil through the streets of the city; to regulate the carrying on within said city of any kind of trade, manufacture or business prejudicial to public health or dangerous to or constituting an unreasonable annoyance to those living or owning property in the vicinity; to license milk dealers and to regulate the production and sale and distribution of milk and to prohibit the sale of impure or unclean milk; to regulate the inspection of meat, vegetables, fish, produce, fruits and foods of all kinds offered for

sale in said city, and to prohibit the sale thereof when in such condition as to endanger the public health; to regulate the naming of all streets, the numbering of all lots and buildings thereon, and the erection of banners and flags over, in or on the same; to prescribe the duties and compensation of the sealer of weights and measures; to license and regulate sports, exhibitions and billiard, pool and bowling rooms within said city; to regulate coasting and sliding, and the use of velocipedes, bicycles and tricycles on sidewalks; to protect from injury or defacement all public buildings, property or structures within said city; to prohibit the depositing of any filth, garbage or rubbish in any stream or in any of the gutters within said city; to prohibit trespass in any of the gardens, cemeteries and public or private enclosures within said city; to protect, preserve and care for public burying grounds, and regulate the burial of the dead; to regulate bathing in places exposed to public view; to prevent cruelty to animals and inhuman sports; to provide a public seal; to regulate and prescribe the mode of conducting all elections not expressly regulated by this act or the general statutes; to regulate the manner of warning meetings of the board of aldermen, and the times and places of holding the same; to provide the mode for removal of any officer for cause not otherwise provided by law; to provide a place for the holding of meetings in said city, and the wards thereof; to prescribe the amount of bonds to be given by city officers, and to confer upon the several officers of the city all proper authority to enable them to execute and discharge their official duties; to prevent disorder at city elections. Said board of aldermen may prescribe penalties and forfeitures of goods and chattels for the violation of any such ordinance, which penalties may be enforced in the city court in any proper criminal proceeding and which forfeitures may be recovered by the attorney of the city and for the use of the city in an action brought for that purpose in the name of the city before the city court of said city, or any other court having jurisdiction. The form of all ordinances shall be as follows: "Be it ordained by the board of aldermen of the city of Derby." No such ordinance shall take effect until the same has been published at least twice in some newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city.

BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT AND TAXATION.

SEC. 35. The board of apportionment and taxation shall consist of ten members who shall be elected and hold office as hereinbefore provided. The mayor of said city shall, ex officio, be a member of said board of apportionment and taxation, and shall preside at the meetings of the board. Said board shall elect one of its members as chairman to act in absence of the mayor. Seven members of the board, exclusive of the mayor, shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of seven votes shall be necessary for the transaction of business. The meetings of said board shall be called by the city clerk on request of the mayor

or in his absence on request of the chairman of the board. The city clerk shall be clerk of said board, and shall make and keep true records of all the votes and proceedings of said board, which shall at all reasonable times be open to public inspection and be preserved with the records of the city. Each political party shall nominate half as many candidates for the office of board of apportionment and taxation as there shall be members to be elected. Nothing contained herein shall be construed so as to prevent any voter from writing upon the ballot in the place provided by law, the name of any person for such office. In every election of the members of the board of apportionment and taxation the political party having the largest total vote for all five members who shall have been nominated and whose names shall have been filed as provided for in this act, shall be entitled to five of the members of said board, and the political party having the next largest total vote for the five members who shall have been so nominated and whose names shall have been so filed shall be entitled to five members.

SEC. 36. Said board shall have authority to require different city officers to furnish all the information which they may possess and to exhibit all books, contracts, reports, papers and documents in their respective departments or in their possession requisite, in the opinion of said board, to enable it to discharge the duties imposed upon it by this act. Said board shall lay such taxes as may be required upon the grand list of the city which shall have been made according to law next before the laying of such tax. Each board of the city government and each officer of the city under whose control money is expended shall, on or before the first day of December in each year, submit to said board an estimate of the amount of money required by such board or such officer for the next ensuing year, giving details as far as practicable. Said board, at a meeting thereof to be held in December in each year, shall prepare an estimate of the amounts required by each department of the city government for the ensuing year, giving particulars as far as possible, and recommending appropriations for all the city expenses for said year and shall cause such estimates forthwith to be published in a newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city. Said board shall hold a meeting in December in each year, and may adjourn the same from time to time to a day not later than the last business day of the succeeding January, and at said meeting or any adjournment thereof, it shall hear all parties who may desire to be heard relative to any alterations in such estimates and appropriations, and may make any alterations in such estimates or appropriations, and may make such additional appropriations as it shall deem proper. Said board, having made such alterations as it may determine, shall prepare a statement of appropriations and tax rates which it proposes to make and levy, and cause the same to be published in a newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city, not later than three days after the last business day in January in said year. Said

board is authorized to make appropriations and lay taxes for all city purposes and for all other purposes required by law and may fix the time when any tax laid by it shall become due and payable. The board of apportionment and taxation shall have no authority to make appropriations in excess of the revenues of the city for any year, and in no case shall the expenses of the city exceed its revenue for any year, except in cases and for purposes for which the city is authorized by special act of the general assembly to issue bonds and when bonds are in fact so issued. No money other than that appropriated as aforesaid shall be expended for any purpose unless a special appropriation therefor shall first be approved by seven votes taken by yeas and nays of the members thereof, but said board shall have no authority to make any such special appropriation unless the unappropriated revenues of the city are sufficient for the purpose. If a special appropriation in excess of the unappropriated revenues of the city is required for any purpose, an estimate of the same shall be prepared by the mayor and submitted to the board of apportionment and taxation at a special meeting called for that purpose; and said board, at said meeting, or any adjournment thereof, shall have authority to make any such appropriation and to lay a special tax to meet the same; but no such appropriation shall be made unless a special tax is laid sufficient to cover the amount by which such appropriation exceeds the unappropriated revenues of the city. Any appropriation, regular or special, so made, for any specific purpose shall not be expended for any other purpose, and, if unexpended shall be covered back into the treasury within fifteen days after the expiration of the fiscal year for which it is made. All appropriations thus made shall remain on the city clerk's books to the credit of the specific purposes respectively for which they are made, not exceeding fifteen days after the expiration of the fiscal year for which they are so made for the purpose of paying bills lawfully contracted during such fiscal year and which are properly chargeable to said appropriations, and said appropriations shall remain applicable to such specific purposes and be applied thereto, during said period.

Sec. 37. Said board of apportionment and taxation shall annually appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for the Griffin hospital of said city and shall annually appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for the Derby Neck Library Association, and may appropriate for any charitable or civic purpose such sum as it may determine.

Sec. 38. When any appropriation shall have been made and for any reason such appropriation or any part thereof, shall not be used, excepting any appropriation made for any school purpose, such appropriation, or any unused part thereof, as the case may be, shall, upon the unanimous vote of the entire board of aldermen and of the entire board of apportionment and taxation and with the approval of the mayor, become unappropriated revenue of the city.

SEC. 39. No official of said city shall, either directly or indirectly, incur any expense or obligation on behalf of the city in excess of the amount appropriated for the use of the department for which such official is charged; and in case any official of said city shall contract any debt or obligation in the name of the city in excess of the appropriation made to be expended by such official, such official shall be liable upon his bond for the excess beyond the appropriation properly applicable thereto, and said city shall not in any case be liable for such excess.

CITY CLERK.

SEC. 40. The city clerk shall hold office until the same shall become vacant by his removal from the city, his resignation or death, or until removed or suspended from office by the mayor for cause. He is authorized to administer oaths or affirmations for any purpose incident to the discharge of his duties. He shall keep the records of the city and shall make a correct record of all votes and proceedings of the board of aldermen and of each other board or committee of which he may be clerk. He shall issue notices of all meetings of said board and shall serve all notices or orders passed by the board of aldermen, which are required to be served or given, and shall make a record of such service. He shall cause ordinances of said city to be published according to law and record the same, with his certification of such publication. He shall issue such licenses and permits as shall be prescribed by the charter and ordinances of said city or granted by the board of aldermen, and shall make a record thereof. He shall collect all fees therefor and pay the same to the treasurer of the city every thirty days. All records of such city clerk shall be, either by themselves or certified copies under the seal of said city, evidence in all courts of the matters therein contained. He shall keep the office of the city clerk open at such hours as the board of aldermen may direct. He shall be the clerk of the board of aldermen, board of apportionment and taxation, board of assessors, board of relief, finance committee, board of education and city court, and he shall perform the duties incident to such positions and any other duties required of him by any vote or ordinance of the board of aldermen. The mayor may remove or suspend the city clerk for cause, and whenever so removed or suspended, he shall file a copy of the order of removal or suspension with the city clerk, which copy or order shall contain the reasons for such removal or suspension and the time when the same shall take effect. The city clerk so removed or suspended may, within six days after the filing of such copy or order, appeal to the superior court within and for New Haven county, or to any judge of said court, for a review of such order of removal or suspension and of the cause or causes therefor, and in case of such appeal such order of removal or suspension shall not be in effect until the same shall have been approved or confirmed by such court or judge. The mayor may appoint an assistant city clerk who shall take the same oath of office

as prescribed for the clerk and who shall assist the city clerk, and in the absence or inability or at the request of the city clerk, perform the duties and exercise the authority of the city clerk. In case of vacancy in the office of the city clerk the assistant city clerk shall have the same authority and perform the same duties as the city clerk until such vacancy shall be filled by the mayor.

SEC. 41. The city clerk shall keep, in books provided for that purpose, accounts of each of the city departments with such city officers as may be designated by the mayor, and such other accounts as the ordinances may provide for. He shall prescribe the form of all accounts and shall keep a separate account of each item of the appropriations and shall require all orders to state specifically against which appropriation the order is drawn. He shall not allow any appropriation to be overdrawn or an appropriation for one object or purpose to be drawn upon for any other object or purpose or by any department other than that for which the appropriation was made. No order shall be issued unless sufficient funds to pay the same shall be in the treasury. If he shall draw any order in payment of any bill, contract or claim in excess of the appropriation properly made therefor, the city shall not be liable for such excess but he shall be personally liable therefor, and the sureties upon his bond shall also be liable therefor to the amount of his bond.

SEC. 42. Each claim or account against the city shall be verified by the oath or affirmation of the claimant or his authorized agent, if required by the city clerk, and also certified to be correct and due by the officer or board by whom or under whose authority the same was contracted if contracted under the authority of any officer or board. Such claim or account shall then be transmitted to the city clerk who shall carefully examine the same and upon finding it correct, he shall so certify and submit the same to the finance committee for approval. No bill shall be paid until approved by the finance committee in writing. If any claimant shall be indebted to the city, the city clerk shall report such indebtedness to said committee, together with the claim. Said city clerk shall number the several claims when approved by the finance committee and enter them in books kept by him for that purpose, and when any such claim shall have been so numbered and entered, the city clerk shall draw his order on the treasurer for the amount due and prepare a receipt in accordance therewith. No order shall be issued or delivered in payment of any claim until the same has been countersigned by the mayor, or in his absence, inability or at his request, by the president of the board of aldermen, provided, in case of any interest for which the city is legally liable upon its bonds, the city clerk may draw his order upon the treasurer for the amount thereof, upon which order when countersigned by the mayor, such interest shall be paid. When the identity of any claimant is doubtful, such claimant may be required to make oath or affirmation or furnish other evidence satis-

factory to the city clerk that he is the person or the legal representative of the person in whose favor such claim is made.

SEC. 43. The city clerk shall keep a correct account, under the supervision of the mayor, of all receipts and expenditures of the city during each fiscal year in proper books of account, arranged in such manner and under such heads or departments as to exhibit accurately and completely the financial condition of the several departments of the city, and he shall report monthly to the mayor the amount expended up to the period of such report by each head or department.

HEALTH OFFICER.

SEC. 44. The health officer shall exercise within said city all the authority and shall be subject to all the duties conferred upon and required of town health officers, boards of health or health committees of towns. An appeal from any order he may make may be taken as provided by law in the case of town health officers. Such health officer shall hold office until the first Monday of January next succeeding the next biennial city election, and until his successor is appointed and qualified. Any vacancy shall be filled by the mayor for the unexpired term. The compensation of such health officer shall be such reasonable amount as may be allowed by the board of aldermen for his services and expenses.

TAX COLLECTOR.

SEC. 45. The tax collector of said city shall hold his office until the first Monday in January following the next biennial city election and until his successor is appointed and qualified; he shall have all the authority and be subject to all the duties imposed by law on the tax collectors of towns, and shall annually, on the first Monday of November, render to the board of aldermen a report in writing, showing the amount of taxes for that year that is uncollected, and the names of the persons from whom the same is due, with such information, concerning the ability of such delinquents to pay such overdue taxes, as he may have. The board of aldermen shall investigate such report within thirty days after the same is filed with the city clerk, either by themselves or by a committee by them appointed for the purpose, and said board of aldermen shall, at the succeeding meeting of the board, abate all such unpaid taxes as it may find for any cause should be abated, and the tax collector shall, within ten days thereafter, pay into the city treasury the amount of the unpaid taxes which are not so abated and the city clerk shall transfer and assign to him all such unpaid taxes, and he may enforce payment and collection of the same to the same extent and in the same manner that collectors of town taxes may enforce the payment of town taxes. If the tax collector shall neglect or refuse to conform to the provisions of this section, the mayor

shall forthwith institute suit against him and his bondsman for the collection of the amount of such unpaid taxes. Any vacancy in the office of tax collector shall be filled by the mayor for the unexpired term.

STREET COMMISSIONER.

SEC. 46. The street commissioner shall give his entire time and attention to the duties of his office. He shall not be engaged in any other business or occupation while he is acting as such commissioner. Said commissioner shall have general superintendence, management and control over all streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, bridges, sewers and gutters within said city; shall cause the same at all times to be kept in good condition and repair; shall have supervision of the opening and excavating of streets, gutters or walks for putting in or taking out gas pipes, water pipes and public and private sewers, and connecting private sewers with the public sewers; he may employ such persons as may be necessary for the performance of the duties imposed upon such commissioner. Said commissioner shall, on or before the first day of December in each year, make and present to the mayor an estimate of the expense of keeping all of said streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, bridges, sewers and gutters in proper condition and repair for the year next ensuing; he shall, before entering upon any public work or improvement other than ordinary repairs, make a report thereof to the board of aldermen, with an estimate of the probable cost of the same, and no such work other than ordinary repairs shall be commenced by said commissioner until the same shall have been approved by a vote of the board of aldermen and ordered to be done and the money therefor shall have been appropriated.

SEC. 47. The street commissioner shall be the tree warden in said city. He shall have the care and control of all public shade trees in said city, shall expend all funds appropriated for the setting out and maintenance of the same and shall enforce all provisions of law relating to the preservation of such trees. His compensation as street commissioner shall include his compensation for services as tree warden.

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

SEC. 48. Within thirty days after the passage of this act the mayor shall appoint a board of police commissioners, consisting of two members who shall be members of the two leading opposing political parties, one of whom shall hold office for two years and one for four years from the first Monday in January, 1921, and in January, 1923, and biennially thereafter within thirty days after the mayor shall assume the duties of his office, he shall appoint a member of said board, who shall hold office for the term of four years from the first Monday in January next succeeding the preceding biennial election. Such biennial appointment

shall be made from the two leading political parties so as to insure representation upon said board from each of such parties. Said board of police commissioners shall prescribe the duties of the officers and members of said department, and shall make all rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of the state, this charter or the ordinances of said city, for the government and control of said department. It shall appoint all officers and members of said department, and fix, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, the compensation to be paid to each officer and member of said department, excepting the chief of police and lieutenant of police. Every officer and member of said department shall hold his office and membership in said department until he shall resign or be removed or suspended by said board of police commissioners for cause. Whenever any officer or member of said department shall be removed or suspended by said board it shall file a copy of the order of removal or suspension with the city clerk, of said city, who shall within three days thereafter lodge a copy of such order of removal or suspension with such officer or member, or forward such copy by mail, postage prepaid, letter registered, and addressed to such officer or member at his last known postoffice address. Any such order of removal or suspension shall contain the reasons for such removal or suspension and the time when the same shall take effect. Any officer or member aggrieved by any such order of removal or suspension may, within six days after the lodging of a copy of such order of removal or suspension with, or the mailing of the same to him, appeal to the superior court within and for New Haven county, or to any judge of said court, for a review of such order of removal or suspension and of the cause or causes therefor, and in case of such appeal such order of removal or suspension shall not be in effect until the same has been approved or confirmed by such court or judge.

SEC. 49. The police department in said city shall consist of one chief, one lieutenant and such number of policemen as the board of aldermen of said city may from time to time designate, and not more than twenty-five supernumerary policemen. Members of the supernumerary police may be called into service by the chief of police whenever in the opinion of the board of police commissioners the services of such supernumerary police or of any of them may be required. All appointments to the regular force of policemen shall be made from the supernumerary police. The police commissioners may appoint any janitor of any school, church or public library and any sexton of any cemetery within the city a special policeman, and such policeman may be called into service by the chief of police whenever in the opinion of the board of police commissioners the services of such policeman or any of them may be required. No person shall be appointed a member of the supernumerary police who has attained the age of forty years, and membership in the supernumerary police shall terminate upon the attaining of such age. The board of police commissioners shall issue to any super-

numerary policeman attaining such age an honorable discharge from the police department of said city. No officer or member of the regular police department shall engage in any business, work or employment which is not included in the business or employment of said department or incidental thereto, and no member of the regular police department shall solicit any person to vote at any election for or against any candidate, nor challenge any elector at any election, nor be a delegate or candidate for delegate to any political convention, nor urge the selection or rejection of any candidate for public office, nor be a member of any political committee. Violation by any officer or member of the regular police department of any of the provisions of this section shall be a cause for removal or suspension from said department as the board of commissioners may determine, which cause shall not be subject to review by any court or judge as herein provided.

SEC. 50. The police commissioners of said city shall assign one or more policemen to act as truant officers who shall enforce the provisions of the general statutes relating to truancy.

FIRE COMMISSIONER.

SEC. 51. The fire commissioner shall not be a member of any hose, chemical or hook and ladder company composing the fire department of said city; he shall have entire supervision and control over the fire department, shall purchase all necessary apparatus, appliances and equipment, subject to the approval of the finance committee. He shall appoint a chief engineer, one or more assistant engineers and a superintendent of the fire alarm telegraph. He shall make all rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of the state or the charter and ordinances of said city, for the government and control of said department. He may remove or suspend any officer or member of said department for cause, and whenever any person shall be suspended or removed from office or membership in said department he shall give written notice thereof within three days to the city clerk of said city. Whenever the fire commissioner shall suspend or remove any officer or member of said fire department he shall file with such officer or member a copy of the order of suspension or removal, which order and copy shall contain the commissioner's reasons for such suspension or removal and the time when the same shall take effect; and the person so suspended or removed may, within six days after receiving such notice, apply to the superior court for New Haven county or to any judge of the superior court for a review of such order and the reason or reasons therefor, and in such case said order of suspension or removal shall not be effectual to suspend or remove such person until the same has been approved or confirmed by said court or judge. The said commissioner shall, on or before the first day of December in each year, make and present to the mayor an estimate of the expenses necessary for the

fire department for the year next ensuing. The mayor shall, upon the request of the state forest fire warden, and with his concurrence, appoint a town fire warden who shall act for the term of one year under the instructions of said state warden. The fire department shall consist of the three companies namely: Hotchkiss Hose Company No. 1, which shall be a combined hose and chemical company; the Storm Engine Company No. 2, which shall also be a combined hose and chemical company, and the Paugasset Hose Company No. 4, which shall be a hook and ladder company. The different hose and hook and ladder companies comprising the fire department may elect their own members and officers, but they shall all be subordinate to the fire commissioner and the officers appointed by him. No person shall be elected to said fire department unless he is an actual resident of said city.

COMMISSIONER OF CHARITIES.

SEC. 52. The commissioner of charities shall have the general superintendence, management and control of the affairs of said city relative to poor persons, insane persons and imbeciles. He shall be overseer of the poor, and shall, at the expense of the city, provide all articles necessary for the subsistence of all paupers, and shall possess all authority vested in and perform all the duties imposed upon selectmen relative to the support, control and removal of paupers; to the giving and receiving of notices to and from other towns relative to paupers; to the appointment of conservators; to the appointment of guardians; to the appointment of overseers of spendthrifts; to the confinement of habitual drunkards, dipsomaniacs and persons addicted to the intemperate use of narcotics or stimulants; to the care of insane paupers and indigent persons; to commitments to and removals from the industrial school for girls; to temporary homes for dependent and neglected children, and to the school for imbeciles; to contracting for the care of the insane poor; to the burial of paupers; to delivering bodies for dissection; to the burial of deceased soldiers and sailors; to the giving of directions to whom money for soldiers' orphans shall be paid; to returning lists of soldiers' orphans to the comptroller; to the visitation and inspection of boarding houses for infants; to making returns in regard to deaf, dumb and blind persons; to giving foundlings in adoption; to indenturing apprentices and to proceedings for the release of apprentices from service; to bastardy proceedings; to forbidding the gift, sale or delivery of intoxicating liquors to persons addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors. Said superintendent shall also have authority, with the approval in writing of the mayor, to contract with any other town or city for the support of such poor of the city as shall be required to be supported wholly at the expense of the city, but no such contract shall be for a longer period than two years. All applications for warrants for the removal of paupers shall be made by said commissioner of charities to the judge or deputy judge of the city court of said city, and said war-

rants shall be directed to and executed by any policeman of said city, and the lawful fees for the service of the same at the rate allowed for service of criminal process shall be paid by the town to which said paupers shall belong, to said city; provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the validity of any action or notice of the selectmen of any other town relative to paupers. On or before the first day of December in each year said commissioner of charities shall submit to the mayor an estimate of the amount of money required to meet all his expenses for the year next ensuing, specifying as far as possible the purposes for which each part is required.

SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS.

SEC. 53. There shall be a board of sinking fund commissioners in said city, composed of two members, who shall be electors of said city. They shall be appointed by the mayor, and the appointment of the members of said board shall be made in such manner as to divide the membership of said board equally between the two leading political parties for the time being and whenever any vacancy shall occur in said board, it shall be filled for the unexpired term in the manner hereinbefore provided for the appointment of members. During the month of January, 1922, one person shall be appointed a member of said board for the term of four years, and during the month of January, 1924, one person shall be appointed a member of said board for the term of four years from the date of said appointment, and until their successors are respectively appointed and qualified; and thereafter, during the month of January, biennially, one person shall be appointed as aforesaid a member of said board for the term of four years from the date of said appointment and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified. The members of said board before entering upon the discharge of their duties shall be sworn to a faithful performance thereof. Said board of sinking fund commissioners shall have the care and management of any sinking fund that may be established to provide for the payment of the principal or interest of any bonds issued by the city of Derby. Said board of sinking fund commissioners shall invest the several sums which may be under its control in the manner provided by the statute laws of this state for the investment of trust funds or in the purchase of any outstanding bonds or evidences of indebtedness of the city of Derby, the town of Derby or the borough of Birmingham.

SEC. 54. The sinking fund commissioners, in the presence of the city treasurer, shall cancel all bonds of the city or town of Derby or the borough of Birmingham and interest coupons attached thereto, or orders of the town of Derby, that may come into their hands as a part of the sinking fund of said city, except that any bonds chargeable to the second taxing district and purchased on account of the general sinking fund shall be held as other investments by the sinking fund commissioners

until paid for from the money specially appropriated for their payment. The manner of such cancellation shall be determined by the sinking fund commissioners and the city treasurer, and it shall be of such a nature that will evidence that such bonds, coupons or orders have been cancelled and have no force as an obligation upon said city. All funds in the hands of the sinking fund commissioners may be used to retire any indebtedness of the city of Derby as the same shall become due, unless such funds or a part of them have been by specific vote of the city appropriated for the payment of some particular indebtedness of said city, and in such case said funds shall be invested separately by said sinking fund commissioners, and shall be applied only to the particular purposes provided for in the vote or votes appropriating said sums.

SEC. 55. Said city may annually provide a sinking fund of not less than one thousand dollars on each issue of bonds of said city outstanding, for the purpose of retiring and paying said bonds at their maturity.

ASSESSORS.

SEC. 56. The assessors shall be men of good judgment, owners of property and well versed in the value of property in said city. They shall hold office for the term of four years from the date of their appointment, and shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties. In the month of January, 1923, and biennially thereafter in the month of January, the mayor shall appoint one person to act as assessor for the term of four years from the date of his appointment.

SEC. 57. Any vacancy occurring in the office of assessors shall be filled for the unexpired term. The board of assessors, board of relief and collector of taxes of said city shall possess all the authority and shall perform all the duties in said city imposed by law upon assessors, boards of relief and collectors of taxes of towns, respectively.

SEC. 58. The assessors of said city shall, annually, before the first Monday of January, make a correct assessment list of all the real estate situated in said city and all personal estate of the inhabitants thereof liable to be set in the list by assessors of towns, and shall assess all property at its true and just market value and not its value at a forced or auction sale. On the completion of the assessment list, the assessors shall sign and deposit it with the city clerk, who shall forthwith give notice thereof by publication in some newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city. In case the assessors cannot agree as to the valuation to be placed on any particular property in said city, they shall notify the mayor thereof, and the mayor, acting with said assessors, shall determine the valuation of such property, and the valuation so determined shall be its valuation for the purposes of assessment for that year.

BOARD OF RELIEF.

SEC. 59. The mayor, president of the board of aldermen, and the city treasurer shall constitute the board of relief, and may exercise the same duties and powers as are conferred upon town boards of relief by the general statutes, except as is herein provided. Notice of meetings of said board of relief shall be given by publication in a newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city at least five days before the first meeting of said board, and the first meeting shall be held within seven days after the assessment list is lodged with the city clerk. Said board of relief may adjourn from time to time to a day not later than the last business day of January, on or before which date said board shall complete the duties imposed upon it. The board of relief shall not have authority to reduce any assessment unless the party aggrieved shall make a written request to said board for such reduction, but nothing herein contained shall prevent said board from raising any assessment or adding thereto any property omitted from the list, for the purpose of making a just and equitable grand list for said city.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

SEC. 60. There shall be a finance committee in said city which shall consist of two electors who shall be appointed by the board of apportionment and taxation in the month of December, 1922, and biennially thereafter, who shall hold office from the first Monday in January succeeding their appointment and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Such appointments shall be made so that not more than one member of said committee shall belong to the same political party. Any member of said committee may be removed at any time by the vote of at least seven members of the board of apportionment and taxation, which board shall not be required to disclose the cause of such removal, and its action shall not be subject to review by any court or other tribunal. Any vacancy occurring in said committee shall be filled by said board for the unexpired term. Said committee shall hold such meetings as may be necessary for the transaction of business, and said committee shall carefully examine and consider all claims and accounts against the city submitted for its examination and approval, and no claim or account against said city shall be paid until approved in writing by both members of said committee.

SEC. 61. Whenever in any department, excepting the street department, any work, undertaking or contract is required to be executed, or supply or supplies furnished, the cost of which work, undertaking, contract or supplies shall exceed three hundred dollars and whenever any expenditure required by the street department shall exceed one thousand dollars, a written contract for such work, undertaking, supply or supplies or expenditure shall be made under such regulations as the board

of aldermen may establish, which contract shall be based upon sealed bids or proposals made after public notice advertised by publication in a newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city, at least five days before the time fixed for the opening of such bids or proposals. Upon the unanimous vote of the entire board of aldermen and of the entire board of apportionment and taxation and with the approval of the mayor, the provisions of this section may be waived.

SEC. 62. The finance committee shall have charge of advertising for such proposals and shall open such bids in public, and if said finance committee shall not deem it for the interest of the city to reject all bids, said committee shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder; provided, if said committee shall not deem it practicable or for the best interests of the city to proceed as above required for any particular work, or the obtaining of any particular supply, said committee may reject such bids. The form of each contract, which shall include the specifications, shall be approved by the corporation counsel, and the contractor shall give security, to the satisfaction of the mayor, for the faithful performance of his contract. If the lowest bidder shall neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded, according to his bid or proposal, or if he fails to execute his contract, or to give proper security, such contract shall be readvertised and let in the manner above provided, or, with the written approval of the mayor, filed for public record with the city clerk, said contract may be awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder. If any work shall be abandoned by any contractor, it may be readvertised and relet in the manner herein provided for, or said committee, with the written approval of the mayor, may cause such work to be finished under a new contract without readvertising therefor, and the original contractor shall be liable to the city for any excess in the cost of such work over the amount of the original contract. No bid shall be accepted from or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the city upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter upon any obligation to the city. Three copies of every contract shall be executed and one of the original copies thereof shall be filed in the city clerk's office.

SEC. 63. Whenever proposals for furnishing supplies or doing any work are advertised for by the finance committee, said committee shall require as a condition precedent to the reception of any proposal the deposit with such board of a check drawn to the order of the treasurer and certified by the bank upon which drawn. Such check shall accompany the proposal and shall be for an amount of not less than five per centum of the amount required by such proposal to be paid by the city for the proposed work to be done or supplies to be furnished. Within seven days after it shall have been decided to whom such contract shall be let, the treasurer shall return all other checks to the persons respec-

tively depositing the same; and if such bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after due notice that the contract has been awarded to him to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by said city as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall be paid into the treasury of said city; but if said lowest responsible bidder shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit shall be returned to him.

SEC. 64. Before the finance committee shall approve any bill, claim or payment for work performed for the city for which an assessment may be levied by the board of aldermen, the city clerk shall certify in writing to said board that the contractor or the city engineer has filed in his office a statement, approved in writing by the street commissioner, of the entire cost of doing such work. In case any such work is done under a written contract, the final payments shall not be made to the contractor until the contractor shall have filed with the city clerk a statement of the total cost of the work, approved in writing by the city engineer.

SALARIES.

SEC. 65. The salaries and compensation of the several city officials shall be as follows: That of the mayor shall be one thousand dollars per annum; that of the city clerk, three thousand dollars per annum and a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars per annum for such clerical assistance as he may deem necessary; that of the assistant city clerk two hundred and fifty dollars per annum; that of the corporation counsel six hundred dollars per annum; that of the tax collector fifteen hundred dollars per annum; that of the commissioner of streets sixteen hundred dollars per annum; that of the police commissioners fifty dollars each per annum; that of the fire commissioner fifty dollars per annum; that of the commissioner of charities six hundred dollars per annum; that of the auditors twenty dollars each per annum; that of the judge of the city court nine hundred dollars per annum, and five dollars per day for each day engaged in the civil business of said court; that of the deputy judge four hundred dollars per annum; that of the city attorney nine hundred dollars per annum, and there shall be taxed in his favor on each case brought by him concerning the violation of the laws regulating the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, the same fees as are now allowed prosecuting agents in like cases; that of the assistant city attorney four hundred dollars per annum; that of the chief of police two thousand six hundred dollars per annum; that of the lieutenant of police two thousand three hundred dollars per annum; and all fees which shall be taxed in favor of the chief of police or the lieutenant of police in any civil or criminal proceedings in which the city is a party shall be paid into the city treasury for the use of said city; that of the treasurer three hundred dollars per annum; that of each assessor two hundred and fifty dollars per

annum; that of the chief engineer of the fire department fifty dollars per annum. The salary and compensation of all other city and town officials and employeés shall be fixed by the board of aldermen. The members of the board of aldermen and the board of apportionment and taxation and of the finance committee and the sinking fund commissioners shall serve without compensation or salary. The mayor may determine the compensation or salary of any person holding more than one salaried office at the same time in said city, provided the amount of compensation or salary fixed by the mayor shall not exceed the salary or compensation regularly fixed for such offices.

BONDS OF CITY OFFICIALS.

SEC. 66. The following named officers shall give bonds in the following amounts: The city clerk, five thousand dollars; the assistant city clerk, five thousand dollars; the treasurer, twenty thousand dollars; the tax collector, twenty thousand dollars; city sheriffs, each, one thousand dollars; the chief of police, one thousand dollars; the commissioner of charities, three thousand dollars; the town clerk, five hundred dollars; the city attorney, five hundred dollars; the assistant city attorney, five hundred dollars; the sinking fund commissioners, each, five thousand dollars.

SEC. 67. The bonds of all city officials shall be taken to the city of Derby, and shall be conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of the office according to law. The form of each bond and the surety thereon shall be approved by the mayor, and no corporation shall be accepted by the mayor as surety on such bond except a corporation authorized by the laws of this state to transact business in this state. The expense of all bonds of city officials receiving or paying out money for the city shall be paid by the city. In all other cases the expense shall be paid by the party giving such bond. The office held by any person refusing or neglecting to give any bond required under the provisions of this act or any ordinance of said city shall be vacant and such vacancy shall be filled in the manner provided by law.

SCHOOL DISTRICT.

SEC. 68. Said city shall be a consolidated school district, and shall exercise all the authority and assume all of the obligations of a consolidated school district.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEC. 69. The board of education shall consist of a chairman and six members who shall be elected and hold office as hereinbefore provided. The board of education shall have all the authority vested in and shall perform all the duties relating to schools and education im-

posed upon town school committees, selectmen and boards of school visitors.

SEC. 70. Vacancies in said board shall be filled from the same political party by the remaining members of said board from the political party in which the vacancy occurs until the same shall be filled by the voters of the ward in which such vacancy occurs, and in case it is filled by the voters of said ward it shall only be for the unexpired term.

SEC. 71. Said board shall audit and approve all bills for the ordinary current expenses of its department, and the clerk shall, if the appropriation is sufficient, upon the approval in writing by the finance committee, draw his order for the same upon the city treasurer in favor of the persons entitled to payment thereof. Said board of education shall submit to the mayor on or before the first day of December in each year, an estimate of the amount required for the support and maintenance of the public schools of said city for the ensuing fiscal year.

HIGHWAYS.

SEC. 72. The city of Derby shall make and keep in repair all public highways, streets and roads within the limits of said city, and the board of aldermen shall have all the authority necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, and shall have exclusive authority and control over all the streets and highways and all parts of the same within said city including the authority to lay out, open, make, improve, maintain, repair, grade, drain, alter and discontinue all highways and streets within said city, and no person shall open any public or private street or way within said city, except under an order of said board of aldermen. Before any street or way shall be opened by any person within said city such person shall secure from the board of aldermen permission to open such street or way and shall pay to any adjoining property owner any damage or expense that may be sustained by such owner by reason of the opening of such street or way. Such damage may be recovered in an action brought by any person whose property is damaged thereby. The city may enjoin the opening of any street or way in said city. Before the board of aldermen shall determine to lay out, alter, extend, grade, improve or discontinue any highway, street, avenue or public walk, or designate any building or veranda line in said city it shall cause a notice, signed by the mayor or clerk of said city, describing in general terms such proposed action, and specifying a time and place when and where all persons whose land is proposed to be taken therefor, or who may be interested therein, may appear and be heard in relation thereto, which notice shall be published not less than twice in some newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city at least five days before the time fixed in such notice for such hearing, and such publication shall be sufficient notice to all persons and corporations interested therein or whose land is affected thereby. At the time and place mentioned in such notice, and at any

meeting adjourned therefrom, said board of aldermen shall hear all parties in interest who may appear and desire to be heard in relation thereto. If, after such hearing, said board of aldermen shall determine to lay out, alter, extend, grade, improve or discontinue such highway, street, avenue or walk, or designate any such line, it shall appoint a committee of its own body which shall determine such layout, alteration, extension or grade, of such highway, street, avenue or walk, or designate any such line, and report the same to said board of aldermen, which report shall embody a descriptive survey of such highway, street, avenue, walk, line or lines designated or grade established. Said board of aldermen shall estimate and appraise the benefits or damages, as the case may be, resulting from or accruing to any person or persons from the taking of such land for public use as aforesaid or from such layout, alteration, extension, grade, improvement, discontinuance or designation, and upon neglect or refusal of any person or persons to accept the estimate of said board of aldermen respecting the damages sustained by or benefits accruing to him or them, or both, as the case may be, within thirty days after written notice of such estimate, the board of aldermen, if it shall be of the opinion that it will not be for the best interest of said city to make said proposed improvement, may, unless work on said improvement has been actually begun, discontinue proceedings in regard to such improvement without liability to any person interested therein, and no right of action shall accrue to said city in case of such discontinuance to recover any benefits assessed in said report except for actual costs. The mayor of said city may, with the advice and consent of the board of aldermen, appoint three judicious and disinterested freeholders of this state who, being sworn, shall assess such benefits and appraise such damages. Such freeholders shall give notice of the time and place for a hearing thereon by publishing the same in a newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city, at least five days prior thereto, or by causing a true and attested copy of such notice to be left with or at the place of abode of all the parties in interest, at least five days prior thereto, and in case of non-resident owners, with the agent or person having the property in charge, or by sending by mail, postage prepaid, notice directed to his or their last known address. At the time and place of said hearing, or at any duly adjourned meeting, said freeholders, having heard those parties who may appear, and having duly examined the location of the proposed layout, alteration, extension, discontinuance or change of grade of any such highway, street, avenue or walk, or designation of any such line, shall appraise the damage to and assess the benefits against the proper parties, or land or other property specially benefited or damaged, and shall report the same in writing to said board of aldermen, who may accept and adopt the same or return the same to said freeholders for reconsideration; provided that if, after said report has been returned to said board of aldermen, said board of aldermen

shall be of the opinion that it will not be for the best interest of said city to make such proposed improvement, it may, unless work upon such improvement has been actually begun, accept said report and discontinue proceedings in regard to such improvement without liability to any person interested therein, and no right of action shall accrue to said city in case of said discontinuance to recover any benefits assessed in said report, except for actual costs. The mayor of said city upon being authorized to so act, by a vote of the board of aldermen, may enter into a written agreement with the persons interested in such proposed layout, alteration, extension, grade, discontinuance or designation, to submit the question of such damages or benefits, as the case may be, arising therefrom, to arbitration, in which case the mayor shall select one arbitrator, and the other parties interested shall select the other arbitrator, and if the mayor and other parties interested cannot agree upon the third arbitrator, the two arbitrators selected shall, in writing, appoint the third arbitrator. Any award made by said arbitrators, or a majority of them, shall be binding upon all of the parties thereto and no appeal shall be allowed to either party from such award. Said arbitrators, after having been duly sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties, shall hear and determine said matter so submitted to them in the same manner as is hereinbefore provided for the freeholders appointed by the mayor. Upon the acceptance and adoption of the report of such arbitrators the city clerk shall record the same, and cause a notice signed by the mayor or clerk of said city, containing the names of the persons thus assessed, with the amount of their respective assessments, to be published not less than three times in a newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city, or by causing a true and attested copy thereof to be left with or at the place of abode of each of said parties therein named. The board of aldermen shall order the damages thus assessed to be paid to the persons to whom they are appraised, or their authorized agents, from the city treasury, within sixty days thereafter, and in case any person shall refuse or neglect to receive the same, it shall be retained in the city treasury subject to his order, and said board shall order the benefits thus assessed to be paid into the city treasury within such time as they shall limit; provided the whole amount of the benefits assessed for any layout, alteration, extension, grade, discontinuance or designation, shall not exceed the whole amount of damages appraised on account of said layout, alteration, extension, grade, discontinuance or designation, with the estimated cost of constructing and completing said improvements.

SEC. 73. An appeal shall be allowed to any person aggrieved by any appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits made by the city in the layout, construction, alteration, grading or paving of any street, highway or sidewalk, or the designation of any building or veranda line in said city, made under and pursuant to the provisions of this charter, except in any case of arbitration provided for in the preced-

ing section, which appeal shall be taken within thirty days after such aggrieved party shall have received written notice of such appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits, to the superior court for New Haven county, to be held on the first Tuesday of the month next following the expiration of said thirty days, and said appeal shall be proceeded with by said court in the same manner as in civil cases brought to said superior court.

SEC. 74. Whenever said city shall lay out any street, or change the grade thereof, or enter upon any public improvement in said city, and any person affected thereby shall make any claim upon said city for damages resulting therefrom, no board or official of said city shall make any agreement with such property owner to do any work on his or her property or to furnish any materials to be used thereon, in settlement or payment of any such claim for damage.

SEC. 75. The board of aldermen may macadamize or otherwise improve any street or highway when any appropriation therefor shall have been made and it may assess such part of the expense of macadamizing or other improvements of each of such streets except the intersections of streets or parts of streets improved against the property abutting upon the street or part thereof improved as in the judgment of said board shall be reasonable and in accordance with the benefits to such abutting property in the manner provided for the assessment of damages and benefits resulting from the layout or improvement of streets or highways in said city.

SIDEWALKS, CURBS AND GUTTERS.

SEC. 76. The board of aldermen shall have authority, as public convenience and necessity may require, to order sidewalks, curbs and gutters to be laid upon the streets and highways in said city according to the course, width, height, level and grade, and of such material as it shall determine, and may, at the expense of said city, lay out, construct, raise, flag, pave or make in any suitable manner any crosswalk in said city.

SEC. 77. Whenever any sidewalk, curb or gutter shall be ordered laid by the board of aldermen, the commissioner of streets shall execute such order in a thorough and workmanlike manner, and as economically as possible, and shall report in writing the expense thereof to the board of aldermen, who shall investigate the same and approve of it for such amount as it deems proper. Said board of aldermen shall then assess two-thirds of the expense thereof against the persons and property specially benefited thereby in the judgment of said board. Said sums so assessed shall be ordered paid into the city treasury within such time as said board shall order. The publication of such assessment twice in a newspaper published in New Haven county and having a circulation in said city shall be sufficient notice to all parties in interest.

SEC. 78. Said board may compel the property owners to provide such safeguards thereon as public safety may require, and may limit such time as it may deem reasonable for the carrying out of such orders, notice of which shall be given by leaving a true and attested copy of such order personally with, or at the usual place of abode of such owner, within five days after the passage of the same; and if such owner be a non-resident of said city, a true and attested copy of said order deposited in the postoffice at said Derby, postage paid, addressed to him at his last known place of residence, or a like true and attested copy left with his agent or the person having charge of said property or occupying the same shall be sufficient notice to such owner. The width, height, courses and levels, certified by the city engineer, shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk; and whenever any sidewalk, curb or gutter has been laid by order of the board of aldermen in accordance with the grade established and recorded as herein prescribed, and it is deemed necessary by said board of aldermen, at any time thereafter, to alter or change said grade, or relay said sidewalk, curb or gutter, such change, alteration or relaying shall be done at the expense of said city; provided, where such an alteration or change of grade or relaying of any sidewalk or gutter is made necessary by the change or alteration of any street line, the expense thereof shall be chargeable as is hereinbefore provided. All necessary repairs to sidewalks, curbs and gutters shall be made by said city, and two-thirds of the expense thereof shall be paid by the property owners where such work is done, in the same manner as hereinbefore provided for the laying of sidewalks, curbs and gutters.

SEC. 79. Any structure or obstruction which shall be erected, placed or left in or upon any highway, street, avenue, public park, sidewalk or gutter in said city in violation of any ordinance of said city, and any nuisance continued or existing or anything causing any nuisance in violation of any ordinance of said city, shall be removed at the expense of the person or persons erecting, placing or leaving any such structure, obstruction or nuisance. If such person shall neglect or refuse to pay the same, it may be recovered in an action brought against him by the corporation counsel of said city.

SEWERS.

SEC. 80. The board of aldermen is authorized to lay out, build, construct, maintain and repair sewers and drains through and along the streets, highways and public or private grounds in said city, and to assess the expenses thereof, or such part thereof as said board of aldermen shall deem just and reasonable, upon the property abutting such streets and highways through which such sewers or drains are laid and which may be in any way benefited or improved thereby, subject to the same notice and manner of assessment and appeal therefrom as is pro-

vided in relation to assessments of benefits and damages resulting from the layout of streets and highways.

SEC. 81. Whenever said board shall lay out or cause to be laid out any drain or sewer in said city, it may proceed in the same manner and to the same extent, including the rights concerning liens and relating to appeals, as is provided in relation to the layout of streets and highways.

SEC. 82. The mayor may, with the approval of the board of aldermen, contract with the owners of any private property or properties for the right to construct and for the use of any drain or sewer, or any part of a drain or sewer, through or across any private land or lands.

SEC. 83. No person shall construct any drain or sewer of any kind upon or from any premises in said city or use or permit any such sewer or drain to be used without a permit from the board of aldermen; and any person constructing any sewer or drain or using or permitting it to be used without such permit shall forfeit and pay to said city a fine of seven dollars for such construction, and a fine of five dollars for each day that such drain or sewer is used or permitted to be used without such permit.

ASSESSMENTS.

SEC. 84. The board of aldermen shall, upon the completion of any work or public improvement which shall require an assessment of damages or benefits, forthwith cause such assessment to be made according to the provisions of this charter, and any such assessment shall be due and payable within sixty days from the date when made. The city clerk shall immediately cause such assessment to be recorded in a book of the city kept for such purpose, and shall deliver to the tax collector a warrant signed by the mayor authorizing and directing such tax collector to collect such assessments. The tax collector shall collect such assessments and shall make a report in writing to the board of aldermen within ten days after the time limited for the collection of such assessments has expired, showing the assessments collected, the uncollected assessments, and the names of the persons from whom the same are due, with such information concerning the matter as he may have. The board of aldermen shall investigate such unpaid assessments, either by itself or by a committee appointed by it, and may, at the succeeding meeting of the board, abate any unpaid assessments that it finds for any good cause should be abated and cancelled, and the tax collector shall, within thirty days thereafter, pay into the treasury the amount of the unpaid assessments which are not abated or cancelled by the board of aldermen, and the city clerk shall transfer and assign to said collector all such unpaid assessments and said tax collector may enforce payment and collection of the same to the extent and in the same manner that the collector of town taxes may enforce the collection of town taxes.

SEC. 85. If the tax collector shall neglect or refuse to conform to the provisions of the preceding section, the mayor shall forthwith institute suit against him or his bondsman, for the collection of the amount of such unpaid assessments. The board of aldermen, after an assessment has been made, shall not vary, change or cancel such assessment except by the unanimous vote of all the members of said board.

SEC. 86. All benefits assessed under any of the provisions of this act shall be a lien upon the land or other property upon which such benefits are respectively assessed, and shall take precedence over all other liens or incumbrances thereon except taxes due the state, and may be foreclosed in the same manner as if such lien were a mortgage on such land or other property in favor of said city, to secure the amount of such assessment; provided such lien shall not continue to exist for a period of more than ninety days after such assessment is due, unless within that period a certificate, signed by the mayor or clerk of said city, describing the premises on which such lien exists and the amount claimed by said city as a lien thereon, shall be lodged with the town clerk of said town of Derby, and such lien shall cease to exist whenever a certificate of discharge thereof signed by the mayor or clerk shall be filed with said town clerk. All such certificates shall be recorded by said town clerk upon the land records of said city of Derby, and the legal fees for recording such lien shall be added to such assessment.

SEC. 87. If any appeal be taken from the appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits, or both, the right to file such certificate of lien shall continue to exist for a period of sixty days after the passage of the final decree of the court having jurisdiction of such appeal.

SEC. 88. All amounts due said city for assessments made under any of the provisions of this act may be collected by warrant under the hands of the mayor of the city, directly to the duly appointed collector thereof, who may enforce the collection of the same in the same manner in which tax warrants are collected. Every such amount shall be and remain a lien upon the land or other property with reference to which it was made; and said lien shall have the same validity and effect and be enforced in the same way as provided in this act for the enforcement of assessments.

SEC. 89. In assessing benefits for any public improvements as prescribed in this act, the authority making the same shall not be limited to property abutting on said improvements, but may assess benefits upon any person whose property, in its sound discretion and judgment, is thereby benefited. No public improvement of any kind shall be undertaken by the board of aldermen or other authority having power to authorize the same until an appropriation for said improvement has been duly made.

PUBLIC PARKS.

SEC. 90. The board of aldermen shall have charge of the care and maintenance of all public parks and may procure by gift, purchase, lease, exchange or by other contract, or by condemnation, land for public park purposes or for the improvement of or to enlarge any public park or for playground or other public purposes, but no land shall be secured for any such purpose by said board of aldermen when such land shall cost the city in excess of two hundred and fifty dollars unless the acquisition of such land shall have been authorized by a vote of the board of aldermen, approved by the mayor and the board of apportionment and taxation of said city, and in the event the cost of such land to the city shall exceed the sum of two thousand dollars, then the purchase of the same shall first be authorized by a vote of the electors of said city at a meeting called for such purpose.

ISSUING BONDS.

SEC. 91. Whenever said city shall desire to make any public improvements which shall have been approved by the board of aldermen and the board of apportionment and taxation, it may issue its bonds, serial in form, payable at such times and at such annual rate of interest, not exceeding five per centum, as said city may direct, and it shall designate the manner in which said bonds shall be issued and negotiated and the persons by whom they shall be signed, and when and where said bonds shall be payable; and said city may issue bonds to fund whatever debts of the city of Derby may be outstanding, provided the total indebtedness of said city shall not at any time exceed five per centum of the grand list of said city at such time, and no such bonds shall be issued or reissued except in pursuance of a vote by ballot of the legal voters of said city at a meeting duly warned and held for that purpose. In ascertaining the amount of indebtedness of said city, all indebtedness created or bonds issued for the purchase or extension of a waterworks system for said city and any sinking fund of said city shall be deducted from the then existing debt of said city.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

SEC. 92. The city of Derby may maintain a public library with a reading room and an audience room connected therewith, with such kindred and incidental conveniences as it may deem proper, the use of which under proper regulations shall be free to its inhabitants. The public library shall be under the management and control of a board of nine library directors who shall serve without pay. No person shall be ineligible by reason of sex to serve on said board. Said board of directors shall have charge of all the property of said city used for the purposes of said library and shall direct the expenditure of all money placed at its disposal by the city from whatever source derived and

of all money and property which may be donated by private individuals to said library. Six of said nine directors shall be residents of said city and shall be appointed by the mayor as hereinafter provided. The remaining three of said directors may be non-residents of said city and shall be appointed by the mayor in accordance with any agreement therefor which shall have been approved by the mayor and board of aldermen of said city, and said mayor and board of aldermen are authorized to enter into any such agreement with reference to the appointment of said three directors, and for such length of time, whether determinable or in perpetuity, as they may deem advisable. In the absence of any such agreement or upon the expiration of same, the mayor shall appoint such three directors, and may in his discretion appoint residents or non-residents of said city. The present board of directors shall hold their offices for the terms to which they have been appointed and until their successors are appointed. In April, 1923, and biennially thereafter, in the month of April, the mayor shall appoint three directors to hold office for six years from the first Monday of May next following and until their successors are appointed, two of whom shall belong to said group of six directors, and one to said group of three directors. The mayor shall fill any vacancy in said board caused by death, resignation, removal or otherwise, for the unexpired term.

SEC. 93. Said board of directors shall make and enforce such by-laws, rules and regulations as it may deem proper for the management, protection and preservation of the property of said library and the management and use of the rooms thereof, and shall have all the rights and powers and be liable to the performance of all the duties and obligations belonging by statute to directors of public libraries in cities of this state and not inconsistent with this act. They shall have authority, with the consent of the mayor and board of aldermen, to make a contract or contracts on behalf of and in the name of said city with the Derby Neck Library Association for the use and occupation of any property of said Derby Neck Library Association in furtherance of the purposes of a free public library. Said board of directors may also from time to time make such arrangements with reference to the use of books with the free public library of Ansonia and the free public library of Shelton as may be agreed upon and may be deemed advisable in furtherance of the purposes of a free public library; but no such arrangement involving the expenditure of additional money shall be made unless the same is approved by the mayor and board of aldermen of said city of Derby. Said board of library directors shall annually report in writing to the mayor of said city the condition of said library, the circulation of books, and generally the operation of said library for the preceding year.

SEC. 94. Said board shall, by ballot, biennially, at such time and place as may be prescribed by the by-laws, elect one of its number, who shall be a resident of said city, to be president, who shall hold office

until his successor is elected; and said board shall elect a secretary, a treasurer and such other officers as it may deem necessary, all of whom shall serve without pay, and shall appoint and remove such librarian or librarians and other employees as it may deem necessary for the proper management of said library and reading room and shall fix the duties and compensation of such librarian and employees. The offices of secretary and treasurer may be held by the same person.

SEC. 95. The board of apportionment and taxation of the city of Derby shall annually appropriate a sum of money not less than five thousand dollars for the care, maintenance and support of said public library, and five hundred dollars for the purchase of books, and may from time to time appropriate in addition thereto sums of money for building purposes, repairs or improvements in real estate and fixtures, not exceeding two thousand dollars in any five years. All moneys which have been or shall be appropriated by said city for library purposes shall, by the treasurer of said city, be paid over to the treasurer appointed by the board of library directors on the first Monday in May in each year. No payment shall be made by said treasurer appointed by said board of library directors except upon bills or orders approved in such manner as may be provided in the by-laws and all bills and vouchers for expenses incurred shall be kept on file as may be provided in the by-laws and shall be subject to inspection by the mayor, the city treasurer, the corporation counsel and any member of the board of directors of said library. The board of directors of said library shall not, on account of city appropriations or as chargeable thereto, expend any money in excess of the money therefor appropriated by said board of apportionment and taxation for the use of said library, except that any funds not derived from such city appropriation may be expended to such an amount and for such purposes as said board of directors shall deem that the interests of said library may require.

SEC. 96. Said board of directors may make rules, under such conditions as it may deem best, extending all the privileges of said library to any or all of the following classes of persons, viz.: First to non-residents attending school within the limits of the city of Derby; second, to non-residents doing business in said city of Derby who pay taxes therein; third, to all non-residents on the payment of such sum as may be fixed by the board of directors. The audience room and any other available room of said library may be used for all such scientific, literary, historical and other educational purposes, lectures and meetings as may be approved by the directors, and for such other purposes and meetings as the directors may deem to be expedient, and for the use of said rooms said directors may charge such reasonable price as they shall deem proper, except that when said room shall be used for scientific, literary, historical or other educational lectures or meetings, any charge therefor shall be at the discretion of the directors, but shall in no case exceed the reasonable expense attendant upon such use. Any fees received for

the use of said rooms as aforesaid shall be applied to the general purposes of said library. The mayor and board of aldermen of said city are authorized in the name and in behalf of said city to accept any real estate which may be donated to said city for any of the purposes mentioned in this act under such terms, conditions, agreements and stipulations with reference thereto and the management thereof and the name of said library as they may deem to be to the advantage of said city and not inconsistent with this act. All money, books and other personal property donated to said city for library purposes, or to said library, may be accepted by said board of directors under such conditions, restrictions and stipulations as they shall deem advantageous to said library and said city.

SEC. 97. The board of sinking fund commissioners of said city shall be a board of trustees of any permanent fund or any trust for said public library, and shall receive, hold, manage, invest and reinvest, in the manner provided by law with reference to the investment of trust funds in this state, any money or other property which by devise, bequest or donation shall be given for the establishment of any permanent fund, or in trust for the benefit of said public library. Such fund shall be kept as a separate fund, and said commissioners shall annually report in writing the condition of such fund, its disposition and the manner of its investment, to the mayor of said city. The income of said fund shall semi-annually be turned over to said board of directors for the use of said library, or as specified in the terms of any devise, bequest or donation. Should any income of said fund not be expended in any one year, such unexpended income shall be subject at any time to the order of said board of directors. Any and all absolute donations of money or other personal property, whether by gift, bequest or devise, shall be held, managed and used as said board of directors may deem expedient.

BIRMINGHAM WATER COMPANY.

SEC. 98. The city of Derby is authorized to buy the stock, property, franchise and waterworks of the Birmingham Water Company, for a sum to be agreed upon by said city and said company. If unable to agree, the city may apply to any judge of the superior court, upon giving at least twelve days' notice to said company, for the appointment of a committee of three judicious and disinterested electors of the state to estimate and appraise the amount that shall be paid by said city for said stock, property, franchise and waterworks of said company. The members of said committee shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties, and they shall give notice to the parties in interest of the time and place when and where they will hear them in relation thereto. Any award made by said committee, or a majority thereof, shall be binding upon said city and upon said company, and said city shall purchase and said company shall sell its waterworks system to said city for

the price and upon the terms named in said committee's award, such award shall be returned by said committee to the judge by whom it was appointed, who may return the same for further consideration for any cause that he may find sufficient. Said city shall, within ninety days after said award has been accepted by such judge, pay to said company the amount named in said award; and said city shall thereafter have the right, and it is authorized to conduct the business of supplying the inhabitants of said city with pure and wholesome water for public and domestic purposes. Said city shall, for said purpose, exercise the rights, privileges and immunities granted to said company, its charter and amendments thereto, with the right to elect officers of said company, and maintain the corporate existence of said company, and conduct the business thereof separate and distinct from the business of said city, or to appoint a board of water commissioners with authority to conduct the business of supplying water to the inhabitants of said city. Said city, for the purpose of paying for said waterworks, and adding to and improving the same when purchased, may issue its bonds to an amount equal to its expenditure in purchasing, adding to, and improving said waterworks systems, such bonds to be issued in such denominations, for such sums, for such length of time and at such rate of interest as said city shall direct. No purchase of said waterworks system shall be made by said city until the same shall be authorized and directed by the vote of the electors of said city, in a meeting specially warned and held for such purpose; and the vote at such meeting shall be by ballot, and the polls shall remain open from six o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon.

CITY COURT.

SEC. 99. There shall be, within and for the city of Derby, a court to be known as the city court of Derby, which shall have jurisdiction of all crimes and misdemeanors committed within said city, the punishment for which may be by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Said court shall also impose fines, penalties and forfeitures for the violation of any of the laws wherein the fine, penalty or forfeiture does not exceed in amount the sum of two hundred dollars, or imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months. Said court shall exercise all the jurisdiction, powers and authority which justices of the peace in the several towns in this state exercise in all matters of a criminal form or nature arising within said city, and may proceed thereon in the same manner as justices of the peace. Said court may proceed to trial, render judgment and grant warrant of execution to carry into effect and to enforce any order or judgment which it may render. It may commit any person brought before it to any proper institution, under the same provisions and limitations as justices of the peace, pro-

vided the accused may, in all cases of conviction by said court, appeal from the judgment of said court to the next court of common pleas having criminal jurisdiction to be holden at New Haven within and for the county of New Haven, and upon such appeal such accused shall give a recognizance, with surety to the state, in such sum as said city court shall determine, conditioned that such accused shall appear before said court of common pleas to answer to the complaint and abide the judgment and order of said court of common pleas thereon. Upon the failure of such accused to give such recognizance, said city court shall order such accused to be committed to the county jail in said county until the next session of said court of common pleas, to answer to said complaint, and until he shall be discharged in due course of law.

SEC. 100. Said court shall take cognizance of and hear any criminal case brought before it which is beyond the jurisdiction of said court, and on finding probable cause for the support of the complaint, in cases where the offense charged is, in the opinion of said court, of so aggravated a nature as to require a greater punishment than is within the jurisdiction of said court, shall, if the offense is bailable, order the accused to enter into recognizance, with surety to the state, in such sum as said court shall determine, conditioned that such accused shall appear before the next superior court to be holden at New Haven within and for the county of New Haven, for criminal business, to answer to the complaint and abide the order and judgment of the superior court thereon. Upon failure to enter into such recognizance, if the offense complained of be not bailable, such accused shall be committed by said court to the county jail in and for said county until the next criminal session of the superior court, and until he be discharged by due course of law.

SEC. 101. Said court shall be held to be a police court, and said court and the judge thereof shall have all the powers in cases within its jurisdiction by law conferred upon police courts and the judges thereof.

SEC. 102. No grand juror shall make complaint, either to said court or to a justice of the peace, of any criminal matter whereof said court has jurisdiction or may take any recognizance, as hereinbefore provided; nor shall any justice of the peace take cognizance of any action or complaint of a criminal form or nature whereof jurisdiction or cognizance is conferred on said court by this act, except as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 103. Said court shall proceed in all cases of a criminal form or nature brought before it, without a jury, and the judge or deputy judge thereof may issue subpoenas, warrants of capias for witnesses, warrants of arrest, commitment and search, and all other criminal process, and said court shall administer justice in all matters of a criminal form or nature whereof this act gives jurisdiction. Said court may adjourn any criminal case brought to it, from time to

time, and require a recognizance for the appearance of the accused, and when the court may have final jurisdiction of the case such recognizance shall be taken to the city of Derby. In all other cases and upon appeals and binding over, the bond or recognizance shall be taken to the state.

SEC. 104. All causes of action at law, wherein the matter in demand does not exceed the sum of three hundred dollars, between parties one of whom is a resident or is located within said city of Derby or has estate in said Derby which is attached in said action, may be heard and determined by said court, subject to the right of appeal to the court of common pleas for New Haven county, except in actions of summary process, as is provided by law for appeals from justices of the peace. If any answer shall be filed in any action pending before said court, wherein the defendant claims judgment in his favor for a sum not exceeding that fixed as the highest pecuniary limit of the jurisdiction of said court, or wherein equitable relief shall be demanded, or an equitable defense interposed, and a sufficient bond, with surety to the adverse party, is offered by such defendant filing such answer, conditioned for the transfer of said action as hereinafter provided, and that he shall prosecute his answer to effect and pay all costs in case he fail to make his plea good, said court shall without proceeding further in said action, take such recognizance, and thereupon copies of the files and records in said action shall be by the defendant transmitted to the court of common pleas to be held at New Haven within and for said county, on the first Tuesday of the succeeding month, or to the superior court to be held at New Haven within and for said county, on the first Tuesday of the succeeding month, which would have original cognizance of an action brought to recover the demand or relief claimed in said answer. Such copies being filed with the clerk of said court to which they may be transmitted, and said clerk having entered said case upon the docket of said court, the same shall operate as a transfer of said action to said court, which shall thereupon have jurisdiction to hear and determine it in the same manner as if it were or might have been brought before it by original process or appeal. No bond, attachment or other security in favor of either party shall be impaired by such transfer. If the defendant does not furnish such recognizance or withdraw such answer, he shall be deemed to have waived any claim for any greater sum or any other relief than said city court has jurisdiction to award and said city court may thereupon proceed to take cognizance of the claim set up in such answer, and may render judgment in favor of the defendant if the same be established, for a sum not exceeding that fixed as the highest pecuniary limit of its jurisdiction. Such judgment shall be a bar to any future claim by such defendant against the plaintiff for the whole or any part of the demand claimed in such answer, excepting such claim or demand as may be of an equitable nature. If the plaintiff, in answer to any pleading of the defendant,

shall interpose any equitable defense or ask for equitable relief, he shall be required to give a recognizance as is hereinbefore provided for, and the cause shall thereupon be proceeded with in the manner above provided for in case of such interposition by the defendant. If either party, having entered into such recognizance, shall fail to enter the cause in the court to which it is removable within three days after the return day, the other party may enter it in said court, and it shall be proceeded with and disposed of in the same manner as if it had been originally brought to said court. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed as prohibiting justices of the peace for said county, residing in the city of Derby, from exercising the jurisdiction and authority which they now have by law, in the hearing and determination of civil actions or from discharging any ministerial duty or office by law imposed upon them.

SEC. 105. All civil causes returnable to said city court shall be made returnable to the first or third Monday of any month, provided, the return day be not more than six weeks from the date of the process. All process returnable to said city court shall be served at least six days before the return day thereof, except in case of foreign attachment, in which case said process shall be served upon the garnishee at least twelve days before the return day, and shall be returned to said court by the officer serving the same, on or before Friday of the week preceding the return day, and such actions, when returned to said court, shall be by the clerk thereof entered upon a docket to be kept for that purpose, and such actions may be continued until finally disposed of. Nonsuits or defaults may be granted on the return day of any action or thereafter, in case of the nonappearance of either party, provided, said court may, at any time within thirty days from the granting of any such default or nonsuit, for cause shown, and upon such terms as to the payment of costs as it may order, reopen such case in which such default or nonsuit may have been granted, order a stay of execution, if already issued, and thereafter proceed with such case in the same manner as though no such nonsuit or default had been granted. Upon the continuance or adjournment of any cause, civil or criminal, said court may make such orders in relation to recognizances, bonds or answers as it may find proper.

SEC. 106. A session of said city court shall be held in said Derby on the first and third Mondays of each month, at such place as shall be provided as hereinafter directed for the holding of such court. Said court may sit at such other times and places in said city as it may find necessary or proper for the disposition of the business before it. Said court shall be legally constituted for the exercise of all or any of the powers or jurisdiction conferred by this act whenever the judge or deputy judge thereof shall be present.

SEC. 107. There shall be a judge and a deputy judge of said city court, each of whom shall be appointed by the general assembly; they

shall take the oath provided by law for judicial officers, and shall hold their respective offices for two years, commencing on the first Monday of July next following their appointment. The deputy judge shall, in case of the absence from said city, or disqualification, inability or at the request of the judge act as the judge of said court, and shall, while so acting, have all the powers of said judge. In the event of the absence, disqualification or disability of the judge and the deputy judge of said court, the clerk of said court may request in writing the judge or deputy judge of any city, town or borough court in New Haven county, or any justice of the peace for New Haven county residing in the city of Derby, to act in the place of the judge of the city court, and such judge, deputy judge or justice of the peace, while so acting, shall exercise all the authority and jurisdiction conferred upon the judge of said court. Any judge, deputy judge or justice of the peace so called upon shall receive the sum of five dollars for each day of actual service in said court, which amount shall be deducted from the salary of the judge and the deputy judge proportionately, when such request shall be made necessary by reason of the absence of the judge and deputy judge of said court, but in all other cases such sum shall be paid by the city of Derby.

SEC. 108. The judge of said city court shall appoint a city attorney, and an assistant city attorney to act in the absence from said city, inability, or at the request of the city attorney, and such court interpreters as he shall determine. They shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties, and shall hold their respective offices for two years next following their appointment and until others are appointed in their stead. The assistant city attorney shall, when acting as aforesaid, have all the powers of the city attorney. Within the cognizance and jurisdiction of said court, and as may be provided and restricted by this act, said city attorney shall exercise the same authority and perform the same duties as now provided by law for state's attorneys in the several counties, but he shall not compromise with or discharge any offender on payment of costs or other sum without the advice of the judge or deputy judge of said court. Said city attorney shall further have the same powers and authority as are now conferred by law upon grand jurors. The judge of said city court may, in case of the death or resignation of said city attorney or assistant city attorney, appoint a city attorney or assistant city attorney, to hold office for the remainder of the term.

SEC. 109. The city attorney shall diligently inquire after and make due presentment and complaint to said city court of all crimes, misdemeanors and other criminal matters whereof said court has jurisdiction or cognizance, whether committed before or after said city attorney's appointment to said office; but in case of urgent necessity said city attorney may make such presentment or complaint to any justice of the peace for New Haven county in said city of Derby, who may issue

a warrant for the arrest of the accused and bring him before said city court, and the accused shall be by said court dealt with in the same manner as though presentment or complaint had been made to said court and such warrant issued thereby.

SEC. 110. Said attorney shall collect, in the name of the city of Derby, and by suit when necessary, all forfeited bonds payable to said city, and by the advice of said judge or deputy judge may compromise and settle such forfeited bonds for less than the full amount thereof, and shall pay all sums received by him into the treasury of said city. Said attorney and assistant city attorney may each issue subpoenas for witnesses to appear before said court in criminal cases. They shall each give bond, with surety to the city of Derby, to the acceptance of the mayor thereof, in the sums hereinbefore provided, conditioned for the faithful discharge of their duty.

SEC. 111. The city clerk shall be clerk of said court. He shall keep the records thereof and certify to the same and copies thereof, and shall, subject to the approval of the court, tax in each case, entry, docket and appeal fees provided for in this act, and such other fees as are provided for in the general statutes for clerks of courts. He shall receive all fines and costs paid before commitment, and all fines and costs paid after commitment to the keeper of the jail, workhouse or other place where the offender is confined shall be paid by such keeper to said clerk on demand. Said clerk shall also draw from the superior court and the court of common pleas all sums taxed by said city court for costs in cases brought before said superior court and said court of common pleas from said city court, by appeal, binding over or otherwise, including all costs in cases before said city court when the accused shall be discharged for want of probable cause when the offense charged is beyond the jurisdiction of said city court. Said clerk shall draw orders on the city treasury for all such costs and fees as may be taxed by said court in any criminal case and payable from the city treasury, and costs and fees shall be paid only to those persons in whose favor they may have been taxed.

SEC. 112. No fees for attendance at court, keeping a prisoner or for assistance in making an arrest shall be taxed or allowed to any officer serving criminal process unless said city court shall find that such assistance, keeping or attendance was necessary; but said court may tax and allow legal fees, at its discretion to any officer making an arrest when the accused is apprehended in the act or on the speedy information of others, but no fees shall be taxed for arrest when the offender is already under arrest and in the custody of a constable or police officer, or in the lockup. No fees shall be allowed any officer or bystander as a witness before said court, nor shall any person be entitled to receive any fees unless demand shall be made therefor within thirty days after the same shall become due, or the clerk thereof shall have drawn his order on the city treasurer for the same.

SEC. 113. The clerk of said court shall account to the treasurer of said city monthly, under such regulations as the board of aldermen shall prescribe, for all moneys by him received under the provisions of this act, and shall pay the same at the time of accounting into the treasury of said city.

SEC. 114. The judge of said court, the deputy judge, the city attorney and the assistant city attorney shall each receive the salaries provided in this act, which salaries shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said city, upon the order of the clerk of said court.

SEC. 115. The same costs shall be taxed in said city court, in all cases of a criminal form or nature, as are taxed in similar cases before justices of the peace, except that two dollars docket fee, two dollars for the trial of each case, and one dollar on each appeal shall be allowed, and if actually engaged more than one day in the trial of such case, two dollars additional shall be taxed for each day after the first day that said court is so engaged. All copies in cases going to the superior court or court of common pleas from said city court by appeal, binding over or otherwise shall, with the addition last mentioned, be taxed the same as in similar cases going to the said courts respectively in the same manner from justices of the peace. All costs for service of criminal process and witness fees taxed under the provisions of this act and not paid by the accused, or otherwise received, shall be paid from the treasury of said city on the order of the clerk of said court.

SEC. 116. Said city court may reduce or disallow fees taxable by said court in cases where the negligence of any officer, or the insufficiency of the service rendered, or other circumstances, shall render such reduction or disallowance expedient in the judgment of said court.

SEC. 117. All process issued by said court shall be signed by the judge or deputy judge thereof. All bonds and recognizances may be taken by said judge, deputy judge or clerk and bonds for appearance at said court may be taken by the chief of police of said city except in cases punishable by imprisonment in the state prison. The authority taking any such bond or the clerk shall note in writing on the complaint the name of the surety, the amount of the bond, and the date and hour at which the accused is to appear before said court, and all other clerical duties pertaining to said court shall be performed by said clerk. All process issued by said court shall be served by any proper officer or an indifferent person when specially directed to such, in the same manner as process issued by any justice of the peace, or any other court, and shall be obeyed by any and all persons and officers to whom the same shall be directed or whom the same may concern. Neither said judge nor deputy judge shall be disqualified to sit in any case from which money by penalty or otherwise may accrue to the treasury of said city, by reason of his being a resident or taxpayer of said city.

SEC. 118. Whenever any person shall be arraigned before said city court for assault, intoxication, vagrancy, disorderly conduct, breach of

the peace or other misdemeanor said court may suspend the execution of any judgment concerning such person for a specified time or indefinitely whenever such suspension may seem to the court reasonable.

SEC. 119. Sureties for the peace and good behavior may be required by said court in such cases and in such manner as justices of the peace are now authorized by law to require the same. Said court may require sureties for the peace and good behavior in addition to or in lieu of any penalty imposed by said court in cases brought by said city attorney, as provided by this act, whenever a prayer therefor shall be inserted in the complaint and the interests of justice require such sureties to be given.

SEC. 120. The board of aldermen shall provide a suitable court room in said city, and such other accommodations for said city court as the judge thereof shall deem necessary. The clerk thereof shall provide for the use of said court such record books, blanks, stationery and suitable means and accommodations for the safekeeping of the files and records of said court as he shall deem reasonable and proper, and the clerk shall draw an order upon the treasurer of said city for the expense thereof.

SEC. 121. In case of a vacancy in the office of judge or deputy judge of said city court, any justice of the peace for said county in said city may, during the continuance of such vacancy and in such cases as requested in writing by the clerk of said court, exercise the same authority as the judge or deputy judge, and when so acting he shall be paid at the rate of five dollars per day by said city.

SEC. 122. In all civil causes whereof said city court shall have jurisdiction, and whenever any party thereto shall file with the clerk of said court, on or before the return day of such cause, a written request therefor, said cause shall be entered on the jury docket of said court, and said clerk shall cause a jury of six persons to be summoned for the trial of such cause in the same manner as justice jurors are summoned, the members of which shall be paid in like manner, provided the party requesting or moving for a jury shall enter into a recognizance with surety to the adverse party in such sum as said court shall order, conditioned for the payment of all costs in case final judgment is rendered against him. Each party shall have the right in any such jury trial to challenge peremptorily one juror without showing any cause therefor. All provisions of law concerning the summoning of talesmen before justices of the peace shall apply to said city court. Whenever a trial by jury shall be had in said city court in any cause, no appeal shall be allowed to the court of common pleas, but either party to said cause may appeal the same to the supreme court of errors, as in cases provided for in the manner prescribed in the general statutes. All writs of error from said city court and all petitions for a new trial of causes determined before said city court shall be brought to the court of common pleas for said county.

SEC. 123. Said city court shall have jurisdiction over complaints for summary process and of bastardy suits, and may proceed therein and therewith in the same manner and to the same extent as justices of the peace.

SEC. 124. Said city court may, on motion, order bonds or additional bonds for prosecution in any civil cause pending before it, in such sum as it may deem reasonable, motions for which shall be made on the return day of such cause, or written motions for which may be filed with said court at any time before such return day, but no motion for such bonds shall be entertained after said return day unless satisfactory reasons therefor be shown to said court. Said court may make and establish such rules of practice, pleadings and proceedings within the limitations and provisions of this act as it shall deem expedient, which may be printed and a copy furnished to each practicing attorney at law residing within said city; said court shall have the same authority to enforce any order or rule as the courts of common pleas have.

SEC. 125. The judge or deputy judge of said city court may, whenever he shall deem it necessary, appoint an officer to attend any session thereof for the purpose of preserving order or for the purpose of attending upon a jury, and said court may tax reasonable fees for such attendance in the bill of costs of the case for which such appointment was made.

SEC. 126. In all civil actions returnable to said city court, the following fees shall be collected by the clerk and by him paid into the treasury of said city: Entry fee, three dollars; judgment fee, three dollars; execution, twenty-five cents; and copies of files and records, twenty-five cents a page; provided in actions wherein a sum is demanded not exceeding one hundred dollars, such entry fee shall be one dollar and such judgment fee, two dollars. In all civil actions wherein the matter in demand shall exceed one hundred dollars, the same taxable costs to parties shall be allowed as by law are now taxable in the court of common pleas in justice appeal cases, and in all other civil cases the same costs shall be allowed as are now allowed in actions before justices of the peace.

SEC. 127. The entry fee, judgment fee and jury fees provided for herein shall be paid by the plaintiff as follows: The entry fee on or before the return day, and the judgment fee before the judgment shall be rendered in such case, and if judgment be rendered in favor of the plaintiff said fees shall be taxed in his favor; the fees for copies and executions shall be paid, before such copies or executions are delivered, by the party demanding the same.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 105.]

[332.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE FAIRFIELD
COUNTY BAR LIBRARY FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD
ENDING JUNE 30, 1923.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of one thousand dollars is appropriated for the Fairfield County Bar Library at Danbury, for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923, said money to be expended at the direction and within the discretion of the library committee of the Fairfield County Bar Association.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 628.]

[333.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN
EXPENSES OF THE STATE COUNCIL OF DEFENSE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of The Gustave Fischer Company for the sum of two hundred twenty-seven dollars and forty-two cents in payment for material and supplies furnished by said company to the state council of defense.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 668.]

[334.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE TOWN OF
NORWALK WITH THE CITIES OF NORWALK AND SOUTH
NORWALK AND THE EAST NORWALK FIRE
DISTRICT, AND INCORPORATING THE
CITY OF NORWALK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one hundred and sixty of any act consolidating the town of Norwalk with the cities of Norwalk and South Norwalk and the East Norwalk fire district, and incorporating the city of Norwalk, approved June 6, 1913, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sentence: "All notices required by statute to be given to or

by selectmen relative to the foregoing matters, shall be given by or to said board or any member thereof and each member of said board shall have the same powers relative to the aforesaid matters as are given by statute to selectmen."

SEC. 2. Section sixty-nine of said act is amended by striking out the following words in the last sentence thereof: "It shall be the duty of the treasurer to certify on each bill before presenting it to the council for payment, whether or not the appropriation for the department to which such bill is properly charged is sufficient, and," so that said sentence when so amended shall read as follows: No bill shall be ordered paid unless an appropriation shall have been made for its payment.

SEC. 3. Section fifty-five of said act is amended by adding at the end of said section the following: "Provided, if a vacancy occurs in the office of councilman from the first, second or third ward, such vacancy shall be filled by the commissioners of the taxing district in which the same occurs, and provided the manner of filling vacancies as described herein shall not apply to vacancies occurring in the board of education."

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 574.]

[335.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO WILLIAM T. AHERN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by William T. Ahern of Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 656.]

[336.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CONNECTICUT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars is appropriated for the maintenance of the Connecticut Industrial School for Girls or its legal successor for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921, said sum to be expended subject to the approval of the board of control.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 655.]

[337.]

AN ACT CONCERNING MAINTENANCE OF PUPILS OF THE
MYSTIC ORAL SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller, subject to the approval of the board of control, is authorized to draw orders on an appropriation for the education of the deaf and dumb, approved May 13, 1919, for maintenance of pupils at the Mystic Oral School for the Deaf or its legal successor, for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 481.]

[338.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ARSENAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
HARTFORD TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Arsenal school district of the town of Hartford is authorized to issue bonds, in addition to the bonds issued at the time of the passage of this act, to an amount not exceeding the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than five and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. The principal of such bonds shall be paid at some certain time or times not later than thirty-three years from the date of issuing the same, and the funds raised from the sale of such bonds shall be used and expended for the purposes of said district.

SEC. 2. Said district shall, at its first annual meeting, or at a meeting to be specially warned and held for such purpose, prescribe, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, the form, condition and reservations of the same, the rate of interest thereon, not exceeding the rate aforesaid, the time and place of paying such interest and principal and the time and manner in which such bonds may be called in and redeemed and interest thereon made to terminate and the person or persons who shall execute the same for or on behalf of said district. Such bonds, when executed, issued and delivered by said district, and by its officer or officers, agent or agents, duly appointed by said district, shall be obligatory upon said district and upon the inhabitants thereof, according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be issued in serial form and payable in equal amounts of fifteen thousand dollars each, every third year beginning three years after their date, and commencing with bond number one, shall be paid as consecutively numbered, within a period not exceeding thirty-three years from the date of their issue.

SEC. 4. No bonds shall be issued by said district under any authorization heretofore granted.

SEC. 5. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 438.]

[339.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WATERBURY CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF CERTAIN BOARDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section sixty-four of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved June 22, 1895, as amended by section one of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury concerning the appointment of members of certain boards, approved April 26, 1917, is amended to read as follows: On and after the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act, there shall be in said city of Waterbury a board of commissioners of public works, consisting of the mayor, who shall be ex officio chairman of said board, and who shall not vote except in case of a tie, and seven electors of the city of Waterbury, who shall be appointed by the mayor subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, of whom one shall be an alderman. On or before the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act, the mayor of the city shall appoint seven members of said board subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, five members, of whom one shall be an alderman, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members to serve until the first Monday in January, 1924. In the month of January, 1922, the mayor of said city shall appoint one member of said board, who shall be an alderman, for the term of two years from the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members for the term of four years from the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members who shall serve for the term of six years from the first Monday in January, 1922. In the month of January, 1924, and in the month of January biennially thereafter, the mayor of said city

of Waterbury shall appoint three members of said board, one member, who shall be an alderman, to serve for the term of two years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment, and two members to serve for the term of six years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment. Members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified unless removed for cause by the mayor. Said commissioners shall receive such compensation for their services as shall be prescribed by the board of aldermen, and not more than four of said board who hold office by appointment shall at any time belong to the same political party. No member of said board shall have the authority to act on behalf of the board except pursuant to an order of the board regularly made at a meeting thereof. Said board shall elect a clerk who shall not be a member, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the board. His compensation shall be fixed by said board subject to the approval of the board of aldermen. He shall keep a record of the proceedings of the board in books kept for such purpose, and shall file and preserve papers committed to his charge and shall perform such other duties as the board may direct.

SEC. 2. Section sixty-five of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved June 22, 1895, is amended to read as follows: The board of commissioners of public works shall hold regular meetings twice each month and special meetings at such times as it may appoint, or the mayor may call. Said board shall have an office in the city hall, which shall be open not less than eight hours on each business day, at times to be fixed by said board. Four members, exclusive of the mayor, shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of four members shall be necessary for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. Section ninety of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved June 22, 1895, is amended to read as follows: On and after the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act, there shall be a board of finance consisting of the mayor, who shall be ex officio chairman of said board, who shall not vote except in case of a tie, and six electors of the city of Waterbury who shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, and in addition thereto the comptroller and the president of the board of aldermen of the city shall also be members of said board of finance. On or before the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act the mayor of said city shall appoint, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, six members of said board of finance, four to serve until the first Monday in January, 1922, and two to serve until the first Monday in January, 1924. In the month of January, 1922, the mayor of said city shall appoint two members of said board to serve for a term of four years from the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members to serve for a term of six years from the first Monday in January, 1922. In the month of January, 1924, and biennially thereafter, the mayor of said city of Waterbury shall ap-

point two members of said board to serve for a term of six years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment. Members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified unless removed for cause by the mayor. Members of said board of finance shall serve without compensation. Not more than three of them who hold office by appointment shall at any time belong to the same political party.

SEC. 4. Section ninety-one of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved June 22, 1895, as amended by section two of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury concerning the appointment of members of certain boards, approved April 26, 1917, is amended to read as follows: Said board of finance shall meet on the first Thursday of every month and may hold a special meeting at any time on reasonable personal notice to the members thereof or on written or printed notice sent to the residence of each member or mailed to him by the clerk of said board, at least twenty-four hours before the time of holding such meeting. It shall be the duty of said board to examine claims and accounts against the city submitted for its approval and to approve by the signatures of a majority of its members such claims or accounts as it finds to be justly due.

SEC. 5. Section ninety-nine of an act revising and amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved June 22, 1895, as amended by section three of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury concerning the appointment of certain boards, approved April 26, 1917, is amended to read as follows: On and after the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act, there shall be a board of commissioners of public safety, consisting of the mayor, who shall be ex officio chairman of said board and who shall not vote except in case of a tie, and seven electors of the city of Waterbury, who shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, of whom one shall be an alderman. On or before the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act the mayor of said city shall appoint seven members of said board, five members, of whom one shall be an alderman, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members to serve until the first Monday in January, 1924. In the month of January, 1922, the mayor of said city shall appoint one member of said board who shall be an alderman to serve for the term of two years from the first Monday in January, 1922, two members to serve for the term of four years from the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members to serve for the term of six years from the first Monday in January, 1922. In the month of January, 1924, and in the month of January biennially thereafter, the mayor of said city of Waterbury shall appoint three members of said board, one member, who shall be an alderman, to serve for the term of two years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment, and two members to serve for the term of six years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment. Members shall serve until their successors are

appointed and qualified unless removed for cause by the mayor. Said commissioners shall serve without compensation and not more than four of said board who hold office by appointment shall at any time belong to the same political party. The city clerk shall be clerk of said board. At all meetings four of said commissioners, exclusive of the mayor, shall constitute a quorum and a concurrence of four of them shall be necessary for the transaction of business.

Sec. 6. Section one hundred nine of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury, approved June 22, 1895, as amended by section four of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury concerning the appointment of members of certain board, approved April 26, 1917, is amended to read as follows: On and after the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act, there shall be in said city of Waterbury a board of commissioners of public health, consisting of seven electors of the city of Waterbury who shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, of whom one shall be an alderman and one a practicing physician. On or before the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act the mayor of said city shall appoint seven members of said board, five members, of whom one shall be an alderman, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members to serve until the first Monday in January, 1924. In the month of January, 1922, the mayor of said city shall appoint one member of said board who shall be an alderman, for the term of two years from the first Monday in January, 1922, two members for the term of four years from the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members for the term of six years from the first Monday in January, 1922. In the month of January, 1924, and in the month of January biennially thereafter, the mayor of said city of Waterbury shall appoint three members of said board, one member who shall be an alderman, for the term of two years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment, and two members for the term of six years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment. Members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified unless removed for cause by the mayor. The members of said board shall serve without compensation and not more than four of them shall at any time belong to the same political party. The clerk of the city shall be clerk of said board. Four members of said board shall constitute a quorum. Immediately after said board is organized, and on the first Wednesday of each January thereafter, said board shall elect one of its number president, and may, at any regular meetings fill the vacancy that may occur in the office of president.

Sec. 7. Section twenty of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury and consolidating the governments of the town and city of Waterbury, approved May 21, 1901, as amended by section five of an act amending the charter of the city of Waterbury concerning the appointment of members of certain boards, approved April 26, 1917, is

amended to read as follows: On and after the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act, there shall be in said city of Waterbury a board of commissioners of public charity, consisting of the mayor, who shall be ex officio chairman of said board and who shall not vote except in case of a tie, and seven electors of the city of Waterbury who shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, of whom one shall be an alderman. On or before the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act, the mayor of said city shall appoint seven members of said board, five members, of whom one shall be an alderman, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members to serve until the first Monday in January, 1924. In the month of January, 1922, the mayor of said city shall appoint one member of said board, who shall be an alderman, to serve for the term of two years from the first Monday in January, 1922, two members to serve for the term of four years from the first Monday in January, 1922, and two members to serve for the term of six years from the first Monday in January, 1922. In the month of January, 1924, and in the month of January biennially thereafter, the mayor of said city of Waterbury shall appoint three members of said board, one member, who shall be an alderman, to serve for the term of two years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment, and two members to serve for the term of six years from the first Monday in January of the year of appointment. Members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified unless removed for cause by the mayor. Said commissioners shall serve without compensation and not more than four of said board who hold office by appointment shall at any time belong to the same political party. Said board of charities may elect a clerk for said board whose compensation shall be fixed and determined by the board of aldermen. At all meetings of said board, four commissioners, exclusive of the mayor, shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of four of them shall be necessary for the transaction of business.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect on the fifteenth day of the month following its adoption, and the terms of office of the present members of the boards of public works, safety, charity, finance and health shall terminate on the fifteenth day of the month following the adoption of this act and upon the qualification of the new members of said boards appointed hereunder.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 648.]

[340.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO CLARENCE HEADY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Clarence Heady of Danbury by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[House Bill No. 988.]

[341.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO JOSEPH C. MANNING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Joseph C. Manning of Thompsonville by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[House Bill No. 939.]

[342.]

AN ACT DIVIDING THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN INTO THIRTY-THREE WARDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of New Haven is divided into thirty-three wards, and the boundaries of each are as follows:

FIRST WARD.

Commencing at the point of intersection of the lines of State and George streets, thence continuing northerly through the center of State street to the center of Grove street, thence westerly through the center of Grove street to the center of York street, thence southerly through the center of York street to the center of George street, thence through the center of George street to the point of beginning.

SECOND WARD.

SEC. 2. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Chapel and York streets, thence continuing westerly through the center of Chapel street to the point of intersection of Orchard street,

through the center of Orchard street southerly to the center of Oak street, through the center of Oak street easterly to the center of York street, through the center of York street northerly to the point of beginning.

THIRD WARD.

SEC. 3. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Chapel street and Orchard street, thence continuing westerly through the center of Chapel street to the center of West river, thence following the center of West river to the center of Oak street, through the center of Oak street easterly to the center of Orchard street, through the center of Orchard street northerly to the point of beginning.

FOURTH WARD.

SEC. 4. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Oak street and York street, continuing westerly through the center of Oak street to the center of West river, thence southerly following the center of West river to the center of Congress avenue, thence through the center of Congress avenue to the center of Davenport avenue, thence easterly through the center of Davenport avenue to the center of York street, thence through the center of York street northerly to the point of beginning.

FIFTH WARD.

SEC. 5. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of George and York streets, through the center of York street southerly to the center of Davenport avenue, through the center of Davenport avenue westerly to the center of Baldwin street, through the center of Baldwin street southerly to the center of Congress avenue, through the center of Congress avenue to the center of Hallock street, through the center of Hallock street southerly to the center of Washington avenue, through the center of Washington avenue northerly to the center of Congress avenue, through the center of Congress avenue to the center of George street, through the center of George street westerly to the point of beginning.

SIXTH WARD.

SEC. 6. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Davenport avenue and Baldwin street, through the center of Davenport avenue and the center of Congress avenue westerly to the center of West river, thence through the center of West river southerly to the center of Washington avenue, through the center of Washington avenue northeasterly to the center of Hallock street, through the center of Hallock street northerly to the center of Congress avenue, through the center of Congress avenue to the center of Baldwin street, through the center of Baldwin street northerly to the point of beginning.

SEVENTH WARD.

SEC. 7. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Meadow street and Congress avenue, thence continuing southwesterly through the center of Congress avenue to the center of Washington avenue, thence southwesterly through the center of Washington avenue to the center of Putnam street, thence easterly through the center of Putnam street and along the center line of Punam street extended to a point where it intersects a straight line to the center of Meadow street, thence northerly along said line through the center of Meadow street to the point of beginning.

EIGHTH WARD.

SEC. 8. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Washington avenue and Putnam street, thence along the center line of Washington avenue southwesterly to a point where the center line of Washington avenue extended intersects the center line of Lamberton street extended; thence along the latter line easterly through the center of Lamberton street to the harbor line, thence along said harbor line to the point of intersection of the center line of Meadow street extended southerly; thence along said last-mentioned line to the point of intersection of the center line of Putnam street extended easterly; thence along said latter line through the center of Putnam street to the point of beginning.

NINTH WARD.

SEC. 9. All that part of the city of New Haven lying southerly of the center line of Lamberton street extended westerly to the center of West river and easterly to the harbor line.

TENTH WARD.

SEC. 10. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Chapel and State streets, thence continuing southwesterly through the center of State street to the point of intersection of the center lines of State and George streets, thence northwesterly through the center of George street to the point of intersection with the center line of Meadow street, thence southerly through the center of Meadow street to the harbor line; thence along said harbor line to and through the center of the channel of Mill river to the center line of Chapel street, thence westerly through the center of said Chapel street to the point of beginning.

ELEVENTH WARD.

SEC. 11. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Chapel and State streets, thence continuing easterly through the center of Chapel street to the center of the westerly channel of Mill river, thence

northerly through the center of said channel of said river to the center line of Grand avenue, thence westerly through the center of Grand avenue to the center of State street, thence southwesterly through the center of state street to the point of beginning.

TWELFTH WARD.

SEC. 12. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of State street and Grand avenue, thence continuing easterly through the center of Grand avenue to the center of the westerly channel of Mill river, thence northerly through the center of said channel to the center line of State street, thence westerly and southwesterly through the center of State street to the point of beginning.

THIRTEENTH WARD.

SEC. 13. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Grove and State streets, thence continuing northeasterly through the center of State street to the center of Bishop street, through the center of Bishop street westerly to the center of Whitney avenue, thence south through the center of Whitney avenue to the center of Temple street, thence southwesterly through the center of Temple street to the center of Grove street, thence southeasterly through the center of Grove street to the point of beginning.

FOURTEENTH WARD.

SEC. 14. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Bishop street and State street, continuing easterly through the center of State street to and through the center of the channel of Mill river, to the center of Willow street, through the center of Willow street westerly to the center of Orange street, thence through the center of Orange street southerly to the center of Bishop street, thence south-easterly through the center of Bishop street to the point of beginning.

FIFTEENTH WARD.

SEC. 15. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Bishop and Orange streets, thence through the center of Orange street northerly to the center of Willow street, through the center of Willow street easterly to the center of the channel of Mill river, thence northerly through the center of Mill river to the city line, thence northwesterly along said city line to the center of Whitney avenue, thence through the center of Whitney avenue to the center of Bishop street, thence through the center of Bishop street easterly to the point of beginning.

SIXTEENTH WARD.

SEC. 16. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Winchester avenue and Ivy street, thence westerly through the center

of Ivy street, through the center of West Ivy street six hundred feet westerly of the center line of Dixwell avenue, thence northerly on a line parallel with and six hundred feet westerly of the center line of Dixwell avenue to the boundary line of the town of Hamden, thence easterly along said boundary line to the center of Winchester avenue, thence southerly through the center of Winchester avenue to the point of beginning.

SEVENTEENTH WARD.

SEC. 17. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Henry and Munson streets, thence westerly through the center of Henry street to the center of Crescent street, thence northerly through the center of Crescent street to a point two hundred feet northerly of Munson street, thence easterly along a line two hundred feet northerly of and parallel with Munson street to a point six hundred feet westerly of Dixwell avenue, thence northerly along a line parallel with and distant six hundred feet from the center line of Dixwell avenue to the center of West Ivy street, thence easterly through the center of West Ivy and the center of Ivy streets to the center of Winchester avenue, thence southerly through the center of Winchester avenue to the center of Munson street, thence westerly through the center of Munson street to the point of beginning.

EIGHTEENTH WARD.

SEC. 18. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Winchester avenue and Munson street, thence northerly through the center of Winchester avenue to the city line, thence easterly along said city line to the center of Whitney avenue, thence southerly through the center of Whitney avenue to the center of Edwards street, thence westerly through the center of Edwards street to the center of Prospect street, thence northerly through the center of Prospect street to the center of Hillside place, thence westerly through the center of Hillside place to the center of Munson street, through the center of Munson street to the point of beginning.

NINETEENTH WARD.

SEC. 19. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Ashmun street and Lake place, thence northwesterly through the center of Ashmun street to the center of Henry street, thence westerly through the center of Henry street to the center of Crescent street, thence southerly through the center of Crescent street to the center of Goffe street, thence southeasterly through the center of Goffe street to the center of Dixwell avenue, thence northwesterly through the center of Dixwell avenue to the center of Lake place, thence easterly through the center of Lake place to the point of beginning.

TWENTIETH WARD.

SEC. 20. Commencing at the point of the intersection of the center lines of Ashmun street and Lake place, thence northwesterly through the center of Ashmun street to the center of Henry street, thence through the center of Henry street to the center of Munson street, thence easterly through the center of Munson street to the center of Hillside place, thence easterly through the center of Hillside place to the center of Prospect street, thence southerly through the center of Prospect street to the center of Edwards street, thence easterly through the center of Edwards street to the center of Whitney avenue, thence southerly through the center of Whitney avenue to the center of Temple street, thence southerly through the center of Temple street to the center of Grove street, thence westerly through the center of Grove street to the center of York street, thence southwesterly through the center of York street to the center of Broadway, thence northwesterly through the center of Broadway to the center of Dixwell avenue, thence northwesterly through the center of Dixwell avenue to the center of Lake place, thence easterly through the center of Lake place to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD.

SEC. 21. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Chapel street and York street, thence through the center of Chapel street westerly to the center of Day street, thence through the center of Day street northerly to the center of Edgewood avenue, thence through the center of Edgewood avenue to the center of Garden street, thence through the center of Garden street northerly to the center of Whalley avenue, thence through the center of Whalley avenue southeasterly to the center of Sperry street, thence through the center of Sperry street to the center of Goffe street, thence through the center of Goffe street southeasterly to the center of Broadway, thence through the center of Broadway southeasterly to the center of York street, thence through the center of York street southerly to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

SEC. 22. Commencing at the point of intersection of the lines of Chapel street and Day street, thence through the center of Chapel street westerly to the center of Sherman avenue, thence through the center of Sherman avenue northerly to the center of Goffe street, thence through the center of Goffe street southeasterly to the center of Sperry street, thence through the center of Sperry street southerly to the center of Whalley avenue, thence through the center of Whalley avenue northwesterly to the center of Garden street, thence through the center of Garden street southerly to the center of Edgewood avenue, thence northwesterly through the center of Edgewood avenue to the center of Day street, thence through the center of Day street southerly to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD.

SEC. 23. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Chapel street and Sherman avenue, thence through the center of Chapel street westerly to the center of Ellsworth avenue, thence through the center of Ellsworth avenue to a point two hundred feet northerly of Munson street, thence along a line two hundred feet distant from and parallel with Munson street easterly to the center of Crescent street, thence through the center of Crescent street southeasterly to the center of Goffe street, thence through the center of Goffe street to the center of Sherman avenue, thence southerly through Sherman avenue to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.

SEC. 24. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Chapel street and Ellsworth avenue, continuing through the center of Chapel street westerly to the center of West river, thence northerly through the center of West river to the center of Whalley avenue, thence easterly in a straight line to the center of Ellsworth avenue at a point two hundred feet northerly of the intersection of Ellsworth avenue and Munson street, thence southerly through the center of Ellsworth avenue to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-FIFTH WARD.

SEC. 25. Commencing at the intersection of the center line of Grand avenue and the center of the westerly channel of Mill river, thence continuing southerly through the center of the westerly channel of Mill river to its junction with the main channel of said river, thence southerly through the center of the main channel of said river to its junction with the Quinnipiac river, thence easterly and northerly through the center of the Quinnipiac river to the center of Grand avenue, thence westerly through the center of Grand avenue to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-SIXTH WARD.

SEC. 26. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of the Quinnipiac river and Grand avenue, thence through the center of Grand avenue westerly to the center of Ferry street, thence through the center of Ferry street northerly to the center of Lombard street, thence through the center of Lombard street easterly to the center of the Quinnipiac river, thence through the center of Quinnipiac river southerly to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD.

SEC. 27. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Grand avenue and Ferry street, thence continuing through the center of Grand avenue westerly to the center of the west channel of Mill river,

thence through the center of said channel northerly to Humphrey street, thence through the center of Humphrey street easterly to Lombard street, thence through the center of Lombard street easterly to the center of Ferry street, thence through the center of Ferry street southerly to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-EIGHTH WARD.

SEC. 28. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Lombard street and Quinnipiac river, thence continuing through the center of Lombard and Humphrey streets westerly to the center of Mill river, thence through the center of Mill river northeasterly to the city line, thence following the city line to the center of Quinnipiac river, thence southerly to the point of beginning.

TWENTY-NINTH WARD.

SEC. 29. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of West river and Whalley avenue, thence through the center of Whalley avenue westerly to the intersection of Fountain street, thence through the center of Fountain street westerly to the town line, thence following the town line northerly and easterly to the center of Cherry Ann street, thence through the center of Cherry Ann street easterly to a point six hundred feet westerly of the center line of Dixwell avenue, thence southerly along a line parallel with and distant six hundred feet from said center line of Dixwell avenue to a point two hundred feet northerly of the center line of Munson street, thence westerly along a line parallel with and two hundred feet northerly of the center line of Munson street to the center line of Crescent street, thence in a straight line to the point of beginning.

THIRTIETH WARD.

SEC. 30. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of West river and Whalley avenue, thence westerly through the center of Whalley avenue to the center of Fountain street, thence through the center of Fountain street westerly to the city line, thence southerly and easterly following the city line to the center of West river, thence through the center of West river northerly to the point of beginning.

THIRTY-FIRST WARD.

SEC. 31. All that part of the town of New Haven lying easterly of the Quinnipiac river and northerly of a line commencing at a point in the center of Ferry street where said street joins Quinnipiac bridge, thence easterly through the center of said street to a point where it intersects Quinnipiac avenue, thence in a line running due east to the center of the old Shore Line railway, thence easterly in a line following the center of said railway to a point where it intersects the dividing line between the towns of New Haven and East Haven.

THIRTY-SECOND WARD.

SEC. 32. Commencing at the point of intersection of the center lines of Ferry street and the easterly harbor line, thence following said harbor line to the center line of Fort Hale road extended, thence easterly through the center of Fort Hale road to the center of Munn road, thence through the center of Munn road to the city line, thence northerly following the city line to the center of the old shore line railway, thence westerly along the center line of said railway to the center line of Ferry street extended, thence westerly through the center of Ferry street to the point of beginning.

THIRTY-THIRD WARD.

SEC. 33. All that part of the city of New Haven lying southerly of the center line of Fort Hale road, extended westerly to the harbor line and the center line of Munn road.

Approved, May 31, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 504.]

[343.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE MASONIC TEMPLE
ASSOCIATION OF BRIDGEPORT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of the charter of The Masonic Temple Association of Bridgeport, a corporation chartered in 1889, as amended by resolution approved April 10, 1895, is amended to read as follows: William R. Higby, Henry H. Pyle, Frank J. Hughes, Mark R. Leavenworth, Hugh Sterling, William W. Ingham, Frederick S. Stevens, William E. Seeley and Henry D. Beach, together with such other persons as may hereafter associate with them, are constituted and created a body politic and corporate by the name of The Masonic Temple Association of Bridgeport, and by that name shall be made capable in law to have, purchase, receive, possess and enjoy, to themselves and their successors, real and personal estate of every kind, and the same or any part thereof may sell, grant and alien, may sue and be sued, plead and implead in all courts whatsoever, and may do and execute all things to them appertaining in such corporate capacity.

SEC. 2. Section four of said charter is amended to read as follows: The following persons and their successors are hereby constituted and appointed directors for said association: William R. Higby, Henry H. Pyle, Frank J. Hughes, Mark R. Leavenworth, Hugh Sterling, William E. Ingham, Frederick S. Stevens, William E. Seeley and Henry D.

Beach. In case of the death, resignation or removal for any cause of either of said directors, his successor shall be elected by the directors then remaining, at a meeting specially called for that purpose, within one month after such death, resignation or removal from office, but no person shall be eligible to the office of director except he be a stockholder. Said corporation shall have not less than nine nor more than nineteen directors, the number of the same to be increased as said directors shall deem it necessary and proper, to be elected by the directors as hereinbefore provided for the election of successors in office.

SEC. 3. Section five of said charter is amended to read as follows: The stock of said corporation shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each, which shares shall be transferable. The subscriptions for constituting the capital stock of said corporation shall be opened in said city of Bridgeport, at such time as shall be deemed best by said board of directors, and by them decided upon at a meeting duly called by the officers of said corporation. Members of the Masonic fraternity only shall be qualified to subscribe to said stock.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 326.]

[344.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONCERNING THE NOMINATION OF
CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE AND THE NUMBER.
POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE TOWN OFFICERS
IN THE TOWN OF MANCHESTER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The selectmen of the town of Manchester are authorized and empowered to enact and adopt by-laws, to regulate traffic, to regulate and limit the direction of travel by vehicles to one way upon any highway in said town and to control and regulate the parking of vehicles upon the highways of said town and provide suitable penalties for a breach of any of said by-laws.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 28.]

[345.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF
THE NORWALK LAWYERS TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time within which the Norwalk Lawyers Title Insurance Company, incorporated under the provisions of an act approved May 20, 1915, may organize, is extended to May 20, 1923.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 249.]

[346.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE APPRAISAL, TITLE AND FIDELITY
COMPANY OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Charles W. Cramer and Arthur E. Howard, Jr., of Hartford and Arthur Searles Cramer of Middletown, and all others who may become associated with them hereunder as stockholders, are, with their successors and assigns, made and established a body politic and corporate, by the name of The Appraisal, Title and Fidelity Company, to be located in the city of Hartford, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all courts; may have and use a common seal, and change the same at will; may make and carry into effect all such rules and regulations not repugnant to this act or the laws of this state and the United States, as may be deemed expedient in the management of the affairs of the corporation, and generally may do and cause to be done all such acts and things not repugnant to said act or laws as may seem proper and necessary.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of not less than one hundred shares nor more than five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each, and the number of shares of stock may be increased or diminished within the aforesaid limits from time to time at the will of the holders of more than one-half of the stock. At the time of subscribing for the capital stock one hundred dollars shall be paid in on each share subscribed for, and said company shall not begin its business authorized in this act until its capital stock to the amount of ten thousand dollars, or more, has been subscribed and paid for in money.

SEC. 3. All the affairs of said corporation shall be managed and controlled by a board of not less than three nor more than five directors, the majority of whom shall be residents of this state, and shall be chosen annually by ballot from and by the stockholders, in general meeting, and shall hold their office until their successors shall be elected, unless sooner removed by death, resignation or vote of the owners of a majority of the stock. Any of the directors may be removed at any time, and their successors chosen by the vote, by ballot, of the holders of a majority of the stock at a special meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose. The stockholders, by a majority vote, shall choose one of their number for manager, who shall also be a director, and define his duties and powers, and may remove him at will by a majority vote; and whenever the place of manager or of a director shall become vacant by death, resignation or otherwise, the stockholders may fill the vacancy by choosing by ballot a manager or director from their own number, by a majority vote. The board of directors shall have power to appoint such other officers of the corporation as it shall deem necessary or desirable, and also to appoint such agents as may be deemed necessary or desirable for doing the business of the corporation, within or without this state, and to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the same, and to require at its discretion security to be given by any officer or agent for the faithful performance of his duties, and to determine the nature and amount of such security; to provide for an increase or decrease of the capital stock, within the limits hereinbefore specified, and to determine how many of the board shall constitute a quorum thereof, and shall have power to make by-laws as aforesaid.

SEC. 4. The annual meeting of the stockholders shall be held in the month of July in each year, upon a day to be appointed by the directors, by by-laws or otherwise. Special meetings of the stockholders may be called by the directors in their discretion, but shall be called upon request in writing of holders of more than one-half of the stock. Notice of every stockholders' meeting shall be given at least seven days prior thereto, by written notice mailed to the last known postoffice address of each stockholder.

SEC. 5. Said corporation shall have power to purchase and hold all kinds of property, and the same at pleasure to improve, sell, lease, convey, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of, to take charge of and manage any property belonging to others; collect rents and income therefrom and generally, to do all things pertaining to the care, management, increase and development of the same; to act as agent for any person, firm or corporation in the transaction of any lawful business; to borrow whatever money or funds may be necessary in the proper conduct of said business; to discount, purchase, buy and sell choses in action of all kinds; to own and make loans upon choses in action, bonds or stocks and personal property, and on mortgages and deeds of trust on real estate, wherever located; to sell all such choses in action, and all

notes or bonds so secured by mortgages or deeds of trust of real estate, to act as tax collector of any town or city in this state.

SEC. 6. Said corporation shall have power to act as an appraiser of any and all kinds of property, and may be appointed as an official appraiser by any probate court or by any public official of the state of Connecticut to make an appraisal of any estates in course of settlement or of property for the purpose of an assessment of taxation for public purposes, or otherwise.

SEC. 7. Said corporation shall have the power to guarantee the sufficiency of land titles so as to obligate itself to make good to the purchaser of any real estate the loss sustained by reason of the insufficiency of any such land title; to engage in the business of a real estate and rent-collecting agency; and to engage in the business of a fire and liability insurance agency. Before guaranteeing any title, said corporation shall have a reserve fund of five thousand dollars or more and while continuing in the business of guarantor of titles shall at all times maintain such reserve.

SEC. 8. The persons named in the first section of this act, or a majority of them, are authorized to make and accept subscriptions to the capital stock of said company and to open books for such subscriptions, at such time or times, place or places, and in such manner as shall be appointed by them. Said persons, or a majority of them, are authorized to call a meeting of the stockholders, to be holden at Hartford, within thirty days after the capital stock to the amount of ten thousand dollars shall have been subscribed, for the purpose of choosing a manager and directors, who, when chosen, shall continue in office until the first annual meeting of the stockholders, or until others are chosen in their stead.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 323.]

[347.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CHANGING THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE TOWN OF GREENWICH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The fiscal year for the town of Greenwich shall commence on the first day of January.

SEC. 2. On the first Monday of October, 1921, and biennially thereafter, there shall be elected in the town of Greenwich a board of estimate and taxation, consisting of twelve electors, who shall be taxpayers and who shall hold no other elective office in the town government of Greenwich; of said board four members shall reside in the first or Meeting House school district, one member shall reside in the third or Sound Beach school district, one member shall reside in the second or sixth

school district, known as Cos Cob and North Cos Cob, one member shall reside in the fourth or fifth school district, known as Mianus and North Mianus, one member shall reside in the seventh, eighth, ninth or twelfth school district, known as South Stanwich, North Stanwich, Banksville and North street, one member shall reside in the tenth, eleventh, thirteenth or fourteenth school district, known as Round Hill, North Greenwich, Clapboard Ridge and Peck's land, one member shall reside in the fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth or twentieth school district, known as Riversville, Glenville, King street and Pemberwick, one member shall reside in the eighteenth school district, known as Byram, and one member shall reside in the nineteenth district, known as New Lebanon. Each member of the board shall be sworn, and the term of office of each member so elected shall commence on the date of his election. The board shall fill any vacancy that may occur, and the person selected to fill such vacancy shall reside in the same subdivision of districts and belonging to the same political party as the member succeeded by him, except that if at the time of the filling of a vacancy more than one vacancy exists in said board, the person selected to fill a vacancy in a certain subdivision of districts need not belong to the same political party as the member succeeded by him, provided the other vacancy or vacancies are so filled that after the filling of such vacancies the membership of said board shall contain as many members of the several political parties as existed therein before such vacancies occurred. The members of said board shall serve without pay. No person shall vote for more than six members of said board. In addition to the powers conferred upon said board by this act said board shall have the powers conferred upon the board of estimate and taxation by an act amending an act changing the form of government for the town of Greenwich, approved May 17, 1915.

SEC. 3. Said board shall meet on or before the fifteenth day of October in each election year, at which meeting it shall elect one of its members chairman of the board, and one of its members as clerk. The clerk shall keep a record fully and in detail of the minutes of the meetings of said board, and of all actions taken at its meetings; the same shall be kept as a permanent record of the town, and shall be open at all reasonable times to public inspection, and the accuracy of the minutes so recorded shall be attested by the signatures of the chairman and clerk. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn to a later date. The chairman shall have a vote at the meetings of said board, and in the case of a tie an additional vote for the purpose of dissolving said tie. The board may adopt rules for its meetings, not inconsistent with law and with this act. In the event that the chairman of the board shall not be present at any meeting thereof, the members present shall elect a temporary chairman of said meeting, who shall have the same powers as the chairman when present. Except as otherwise herein provided, the vote of the majority of those present shall be the vote of the board.

SEC. 4. The chairman may call special meetings, and upon the request of any four members shall call a special meeting of the board, in each instance giving reasonable personal notice to the members thereof, or written or printed notice sent to the residence of each, or mailed to each by the clerk of said board, in time to reach his place of residence at least twenty-four hours before the time of such meeting. Whenever any meeting of the board is called, or the board is required to meet by virtue of any rule providing for meetings which it may adopt, and no quorum shall be present, the chairman of the board may issue a warrant, signed by him, directed to the sheriff of the county of Fairfield, his deputy, or any constable of the town of Greenwich, to arrest and bring into such meeting a sufficient number of members of the board to constitute a quorum, and any such officer, upon the receipt of such warrant, shall forthwith serve the same. In the event that any member of said board be so arrested, he shall be discharged immediately upon the adjournment of such meeting.

SEC. 5. Said board shall, at the meeting at which the chairman is elected, appoint a comptroller who shall audit all bills and requisitions drawn against the town by the selectmen, the superintendent of highways, the commissioner of charities, the town school committee, and all other town officials and no requisition shall be honored or paid by the treasurer of the town until the same is countersigned and approved by said comptroller. The comptroller shall have such further duties and powers in the exercise of his powers and duties as comptroller as shall be prescribed by said board. Said board shall fix the salary of said comptroller, which shall be paid out of the general funds of the town upon the requisition of a majority of the selectmen. Said comptroller shall hold office during the pleasure of the board and until his successor has been appointed.

SEC. 6. Said board shall, on or before the thirty-first day of December, 1921, and biennially thereafter, appoint the treasurer of said town to take office on the first day of January next succeeding his appointment and to hold office for two years. Upon charges preferred, the town treasurer may be removed from office by said board, by a vote concurred in by eight members of said board, after notice to such treasurer and a hearing upon such charges. The term of office of the town treasurer now in office shall continue until January 1, 1922. Said board shall fix the salary of the town treasurer. Upon the death, resignation or removal of any town treasurer said board shall appoint a treasurer to fill the vacancy caused thereby. When any town treasurer shall in the opinion of said board, by reason of illness or disability, become unable to discharge the duties of his office, said board may appoint some suitable person as acting town treasurer, at such compensation as said board may fix, who, upon being duly sworn and giving a bond satisfactory to said board, may thereupon exercise all the duties and perform all the functions of the town treasurer until such time as the town treasurer shall be found by said board to have become able to discharge the duties

of his office. The town treasurer shall appoint and may remove the bookkeeper of the town's accounts, and any assistants that may be required, and such bookkeeper and assistants shall be paid such salary or salaries as may be approved by said board. Said board shall prescribe the methods according to which the accounts of the town shall be approved, kept, paid and audited.

SEC. 7. The town treasurer, with the approval of said board, may, in the name of the town, borrow such moneys as may be necessary to meet the temporary financial requirements of said town. The moneys so borrowed shall be evidenced by notes given in the name of the town and signed by the town treasurer and countersigned by the comptroller, and said moneys shall be repaid, so far as may be possible, from the income of the town received during the current fiscal year. If any of the moneys so borrowed shall remain unpaid at the end of the fiscal year, the amount thereof may be included in the estimates and appropriations for the succeeding fiscal year. The town treasurer shall sign and the comptroller shall countersign all checks and other evidences of indebtedness issued by the town.

SEC. 8. The tax collector of said town shall, annually between the first day of October and the thirty-first day of December, mail to each taxpayer against whom any property tax appears unpaid on the books of said collector, a bill for all such tax or taxes. He shall, at such times as may be directed by the said board and at least once a week, pay to the town treasurer all moneys collected by him as taxes and interest thereon, and shall at the same time deliver to the town treasurer a complete list of the names of the persons from whom such moneys were collected, stating therein the amount of principal and interest paid by each person named on said list and the time of such payments. The board of estimate and taxation shall prescribe the methods which shall be employed in keeping the tax records and making payments by the tax collector to the town treasurer, and shall fix the tax collector's salary and the expenses of his office. The comptroller shall examine monthly the books of the tax collector, and shall monthly audit the returns made by said collector to the town treasurer.

SEC. 9. The town treasurer, bookkeeper, assistant bookkeepers, tax collector, superintendent of highways, commissioner of charities, and all other persons receiving or disbursing the town's funds shall, except as otherwise provided by special enactment, each give to said town, upon assuming office and before receiving any town funds, a bond with a surety company of good standing as the surety thereon, approved as to their respective amounts and as to the respective sureties thereon by said board, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of the office of the official giving such bond. The tax collector shall give such bond before he receives any tax warrant. The premiums on such bonds shall be paid by the town treasurer upon order of the selectmen.

SEC. 10. Said board shall from time to time appoint a certified public accountant or a firm of certified public accountants to annually or oftener at the direction of said board examine and verify the town's accounts and all matters appertaining thereto, prepare the same for publication and make sworn report thereon. The elective office of auditors as to said town is hereby abolished.

SEC. 11. All written contracts entered into by any party with the town shall be made in triplicate, one copy of which shall be filed in the office of the comptroller.

SEC. 12. On the third Tuesday of August, 1921, the selectmen, superintendent of highways, commissioner of charities, town school committee and the heads of all other departments, shall furnish said board with a detailed estimate of the amount of money which the town will require to meet its obligations in their several departments and provide for its expenses from September first to December thirty-first, 1921. Within ten days thereafter said board shall file in the office of the town clerk a detailed statement of the appropriations allowed by said board, and thereupon the appropriations so allowed shall be the appropriations for said period.

SEC. 13. On or before the fifteenth day of October, 1921, the selectmen, the superintendent of highways, the commissioner of charities, the town school committee and the heads of all other departments, shall furnish said board with a detailed statement of the expenses of the town for the year ending September 1, 1921, together with an estimate of the amount of money which the town will require to meet its obligations in their several departments and provide for its expenses for the ensuing calendar year. On or before the fifteenth day of October in each year thereafter, the selectmen, the superintendent of highways, the commissioner of charities, the town school committee and the heads of all other departments shall furnish said board with a detailed statement of the expenses of the town for the preceding nine calendar months, together with a statement of the amount of money which the town will require to meet its obligations in their several departments and provide for its expenses for the succeeding period of October first to December thirty-first, inclusive, and shall furnish said board with detailed estimates of the amount of money which the town will require to meet its obligations in their several departments and provide for its expenses for the ensuing calendar year. Said board shall, on or before the twenty-fifth day of October in each year, cause to be published in a newspaper published in the town of Greenwich such detailed last-mentioned estimates furnished as hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 14. On or before the twenty-fifth day of October in each year, said board of estimate and taxation shall appoint the times when and places where it will hold meetings in the town for hearings upon the estimates furnished said board as provided in the preceding section, and shall give notice of such meetings by publication in a newspaper pub-

lished in the town of Greenwich and by giving such other public notice as said board shall deem advisable. At all meetings and at all adjournments thereof, said board shall hear all persons who shall desire to be heard relative to said estimates; after such hearings, and on or before the tenth day of November next ensuing in each year, said board shall make and file in the office of the town clerk a detailed statement of the appropriations which it deems necessary for the expenses and conduct of the affairs of said town for the ensuing calendar year, with its reasons for said appropriations. Seven affirmative votes of said board shall be required to determine the proposed appropriations.

SEC. 15. The board of estimate and taxation shall submit said proposed appropriations to a town meeting to be held on or before November twentieth in each year, which meeting shall take action upon such proposed appropriations and make such appropriations as may appear advisable except that no appropriation shall be made exceeding in amount that for the same purpose recommended by said board, and no appropriation shall be made for any purpose not recommended by said board. The appropriations so fixed by said town meeting shall be the appropriations for the town for the ensuing calendar year. The board of selectmen, superintendent of highways, commissioner of charities, town school committee or any committee or official of said town, or the town in any town meeting shall not incur any liabilities or expense, by contract or otherwise, for which said town shall be responsible, in excess of the appropriations so finally fixed as aforesaid, except as specially provided in section eighteen hereof, and said town shall not be liable upon any such contract requiring an expenditure in excess of said appropriations. Immediately upon the final fixing of the appropriations for any year, the treasurer of the town shall open a separate account of each appropriation and shall pay out moneys thereon only on written requisition of the person or persons responsible for the expenditure, countersigned by the comptroller as hereinbefore provided, and the treasurer shall be responsible for any expenditures made on any account in excess of any appropriation. No check or draft issued by the treasurer in payment of any requisition shall be payable to bearer, but to the order of the person entitled to receive the same. No bill for materials or supplies furnished to any official or department of the town for the use of the town shall be paid unless the same bears a sworn certificate, made by the person furnishing such material or supplies to the effect that the materials or supplies called for by said bill have been actually delivered to the town and for the prices therein named.

SEC. 16. Said board of estimate and taxation, in legal meeting convened, shall have power to levy and lay taxes on the polls and ratable estate within the limits of said town, and all the provisions of the law as to town taxes, except as herein otherwise provided, shall be applicable to taxes levied and laid by said board, in the same way as if said taxes were laid by said town in town meeting assembled. After the fixing of said

appropriations and on or before the twenty-fifth day of November in each year, said board shall determine the tax rate which shall be laid upon the assessment list then last completed, which rate shall yield taxes sufficient with the other estimated income of the town to meet the appropriations of the town for the succeeding calendar year, and said board shall levy and lay a tax at said rate on such list, as the tax for said town for the succeeding calendar year. The chairman and clerk of said board shall forthwith file a certificate of the levying and laying of said tax with the town clerk, who shall record such certificate in the town meeting record book and said tax shall become due and payable on the next succeeding first day of January.

SEC. 17. Section six of an act authorizing the town and borough of Greenwich to construct sewage disposal works, approved May 6, 1915, is amended to read as follows: On or before the twenty-fifth day of November in each year, said joint committee shall present to the board of estimate and taxation, a statement showing the total assessed valuation upon the grand list then last completed of the real estate specially benefited by such sewage disposal works, and said board of estimate and taxation shall, on or before the twenty-fifth day of November, in each year determine the tax rate which shall be laid upon the assessment list of such property so specially benefited, to meet the appropriations for the maintenance and operation of such sewage disposal works and the payment of the interest and principal aforesaid. And said board shall levy and lay a tax at said rate upon the assessment list of such property so specially benefited as the tax for such property so specially benefited for the succeeding calendar year. The chairman and clerk of said board shall forthwith file a certificate of the levying and laying of said tax with the town clerk, who shall record such certificate in the town meeting record book.

SEC. 18. No officer of said town shall expend, or enter into any contract by which the town shall become liable for any sum which, with such contracts as are then in force, shall exceed the appropriations for the several departments, or any of them, except in cases of necessity connected with the repair of highways and bridges and then not to exceed in the aggregate five hundred dollars in any calendar year and except in cases of necessity connected with the care of the town poor, and then not to exceed in the aggregate one hundred dollars in any calendar year. Should any occasion arise whereby more money will be actually needed for any department of town affairs than has been appropriated, as provided for herein, the selectmen or the head of such department shall notify the board of estimate and taxation of such fact, and the chairman of said board shall forthwith call a meeting of the board to consider the matter of an appropriation for such object; and the board may make such appropriation in an amount not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars for such object after due inquiry, but if the amount required shall exceed twenty-five hundred dollars such appropriation shall not

be finally made until, upon the recommendation of said board, the same has been voted by the town at a meeting called for that purpose. If said appropriation is made after the laying of the tax, unless the income for the current year is sufficient to meet the same, the amount of said appropriations shall be included in and made a part of the next tax levy. No appropriation for one object shall be used for any other object, except that said board shall have the power to transfer unexpended balances from one appropriation for a department to another appropriation for the same department. All unexpended appropriations shall be covered back into the town treasury.

SEC. 19. At the annual town meeting to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921, and biennially thereafter, the town shall elect the selectmen and all town officers, except as otherwise specially provided in this act, and except as otherwise provided as to the election of assessors and members of the town school committee, to hold office for the term of two years from the date of their election and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 20. At the annual town meeting to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921, and biennially thereafter, there shall be elected by ballot a superintendent of highways, who shall hold office from the date of his election, and shall hold no other office in the town government. Said superintendent of highways shall have full charge of the maintenance and repair of highways and bridges and the building and opening of new highways and bridges in said town, except as otherwise provided by the charter of the borough of Greenwich. No bill against the town relating to such maintenance or repair of highways or bridges or the building of new highways or bridges shall be paid by the town until it has been approved and certified as correct by said superintendent of highways. Said superintendent shall possess all the powers and shall perform all the duties in and for the said town which are now conferred and imposed by the general statutes upon the selectmen for the care and maintenance of and concerning highways and bridges and the building and opening of new highways and bridges, and all laws of the state conferring powers and imposing duties upon selectmen for the care and maintenance of and concerning highways and bridges and the building and opening of new highways and bridges in the town of Greenwich are amended so as to be hereafter applicable to and operative upon said superintendent of highways in said town of Greenwich in the place and stead of the selectmen of the town of Greenwich; and all acts hereafter passed by the general assembly relative to the duties of selectmen in the care and maintenance of and concerning highways and bridges and the building and opening of new highways and bridges shall, so far as they may affect the town of Greenwich, be held to apply to said superintendent, unless otherwise therein expressly provided. The salary of the superintendent of highways shall be fixed by the town

on the recommendation of the board of estimate and taxation in the same manner as the other appropriations are determined.

SEC. 21. At the annual meeting to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921, and biennially thereafter, there shall be elected by ballot a commissioner of charities, who shall hold office from the date of his election, and shall be an elector of the town and hold no other office in said town government. Said commissioner of charities shall have full charge of all the charities of said town and shall possess all the powers and perform all the duties in and for said town of Greenwich imposed by the general statutes upon selectmen as overseers of the poor of towns and concerning the support of paupers, and all laws of the state conferring powers and imposing duties upon the selectmen of the town of Greenwich as overseers of the poor and concerning the support of paupers are amended so as to be hereafter applicable to and operative upon said commissioner of charities, in said town of Greenwich, in the place and stead of the selectmen of the town of Greenwich, and all acts hereafter passed by the general assembly relative to the duty of selectmen as overseers of the poor and concerning the support of paupers shall, so far as they may affect the town of Greenwich, be held to apply to said commissioner of charities unless otherwise therein expressly provided. No bill against the town relating to charities or the support of paupers or for the poor of the town shall be paid by the town until it has been approved and certified as correct by said commissioner of charities. The salary of the commissioner of charities shall be fixed by the town on the recommendation of the board of estimate and taxation in the same manner as the other appropriations are determined.

SEC. 22. All moneys required by the town school committee, as appropriated for its use during any fiscal year, shall be paid by the treasurer of the town upon the requisition of such persons, in behalf of the school committee, as the committee by law or special vote, certified by the secretary to the town treasurer, may provide, and in the absence of such by-law or special direction upon the requisition of the secretary of the committee, countersigned as provided in section five of this act.

SEC. 23. The terms of office of the assessors of the town of Greenwich now in office shall continue until January first succeeding the expiration of their respective elective terms. Each assessor hereafter elected shall hold office from January first succeeding the date of his election and until his successor is elected and qualified.

SEC. 24. The assessors of the town of Greenwich shall, on or before the first day of June, 1921, and annually thereafter, post on the signposts in said town, or publish in one or more newspapers published in said town, a notice requiring all persons therein liable to pay taxes to bring in written or printed lists of the taxable property belonging to them on the first day of June in that year.

SEC. 25. Each resident of the town of Greenwich liable to give in a list and pay taxes therein shall give in the list required by section

1138 of the general statutes on or before the first day of July annually. When the first day of July comes on Sunday, then said list may be given in on the day following.

SEC. 26. The property of any trading, mercantile, manufacturing or mechanical business, in the town of Greenwich, shall be assessed and valued in all respects as provided by section 1214 of said statutes; provided the average amount of goods kept on hand for sale during the year, or any portion of the year when the business has not been carried on for a year previous to the first day of June, shall be the rule of assessment and taxation in said town.

SEC. 27. The assessors of the town of Greenwich shall give the notice required by section 1144 of said statutes on or before the twentieth day of September next following the making of any addition to the list of any person.

SEC. 28. The assessors of the town of Greenwich shall, on or before the thirtieth day of September, lodge the lists in the town clerk's or assessors' office, and make and lodge the abstracts in the town clerk's office, in the manner prescribed by section 1149 of said statutes.

SEC. 29. The selectmen of the town of Greenwich shall annually make a list of all male persons between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years, residing in said town on the first day of June in each year, and shall, on or before the thirtieth day of November, lodge such list in the town clerk's office for public inspection; and such list shall be in lieu of the list required by section 1155 of said statutes.

SEC. 30. The tax provided for by section 1157 of the general statutes shall in the town of Greenwich be due and payable on January first of each year.

SEC. 31. The board of relief in the town of Greenwich shall meet on the first business day of October, annually, and may adjourn from time to time to a day not later than the last business day of said October, on or before which day said board shall complete the duties imposed upon it; and said board shall give notice of its meetings as prescribed by law.

SEC. 32. No appeal from the doings of the assessors in the town of Greenwich, or application for deduction of amount of indebtedness from the list of any debtor shall be heard or entertained by the board of relief unless preferred to it at its meeting held on the first business day of October, or at some adjourned meeting held within twenty days thereafter.

SEC. 33. The lien for taxes provided by section 1300 of the general statutes shall, as to real estate situated within the town of Greenwich, exist from the first day of June in the year previous to that in which such taxes become due, and the precedence of such lien shall be determined as of the first day of June and not of the first day of October, but in all other respects as provided in said section.

SEC. 34. Section three of an act concerning assessors of the town of Greenwich and amending the charter of the borough of Greenwich, approved May 19, 1915, is amended by substituting therein the word "June" for the word "October" so that said section as amended shall read as follows: The town assessors shall be assessors for the borough of Greenwich. They shall assess the real and personal property of all persons in the borough of Greenwich separately, and shall make lists of the taxable property in said borough, placing therein the same valuations as were approved or fixed by such assessors for the same property in the town lists last completed, as such valuations may have been modified by the board of relief. In cases where ten per centum of the valuation of any property taxable in said borough has been added to the town assessment valuation of such property, ten per centum shall be added in said lists to the valuation of such property in the borough assessment lists. When there has been within said borough the destruction of a building or buildings or the construction, either partial or complete, of a new building or buildings, or addition or additions to any building during the period from June first to the first day of April succeeding, the assessors shall deduct from or add to the list of the land owners suffering or making the same the fair value of such loss, construction or addition, but such assessor shall, on or before the first Monday of May following, give such owner notice thereof in writing; and, if he shall not be a resident of such town, such notice sent by mail and addressed to him at his last known residence, shall be sufficient notice. Said assessors shall also ascertain all transfers of real property in said borough made and recorded between June first and the succeeding April first in each year, and shall set all property so transferred in the list of the person owning the same on the first day of April, and shall deduct such property from the lists of persons owning the same prior to said first day of April. Said assessors shall return their assessment list as completed to the clerk of the borough on or before the second Monday of May in each year for revision by the board of relief, as hereinafter provided. With such assessment list shall be returned a separate list showing all changes made from the town list because of loss, construction or addition.

SEC. 35. The town of Greenwich is authorized to issue its bonds to an amount not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of meeting and paying the expenses of said town from the first day of September, 1921, to the thirty-first day of December, 1921, inclusive, and to be used as working capital for town purposes. Said bonds shall be coupon bonds, payable to holder or, in case of registration, to the person in whose name they are registered. They shall be signed by the selectmen and the town treasurer and countersigned by the comptroller and the coupons shall bear a facsimile of the signature of the town treasurer. The avails of such bonds shall be placed to the credit of said town and withdrawn for the purposes aforesaid,

and for the payment of the expenses incident to the issuance of said bonds upon the orders of the selectmen of said town, countersigned by the comptroller thereof. Wilbur S. Wright, Nathaniel A. Knapp and Edwin N. Chapman are hereby appointed to arrange for the issuance and sale of said bonds, and to designate a bank or trust company at which said bonds, including the principal and interest, shall be paid; to determine the denomination of said bonds, the rate of interest they shall bear, not exceeding six per centum per annum, the date of issuance of same, and any other details relating to said bonds. Said bonds shall be serial bonds, the earliest maturity not to be more than five years from date of issue, as said committee may determine and all of said bonds shall be paid in full and retired at the expiration of not more than fifty years from the date of issuance. Said bonds, when issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said town, and upon all the inhabitants and property thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same. In the event of a vacancy in said committee such vacancy shall be filled by the board of estimate and taxation. Said town shall not incur any indebtedness through the issuance of bonds pursuant to the provisions of this section which, together with its other bonded indebtedness, shall exceed five per centum of its grand list.

SEC. 36. Nothing contained in this act shall apply to or affect the issuance of bonds or other obligations by the town of Greenwich, pursuant to the provisions of the general statutes or of any other special act or acts of the general assembly, or the proceedings of the selectmen, electors or officers of said town in relation thereto, except that no bonds shall be issued hereafter by said town, pursuant to the provisions of the general statutes, unless such issuance be first approved at a meeting of said board of estimate and taxation by a vote of at least seven members of said board.

SEC. 37. An act changing the form of government for the town of Greenwich, approved July 20, 1909, an act amending an act changing the form of government for the town of Greenwich, approved June 13, 1911, an act amending an act changing the form of government for the town of Greenwich, approved April 3, 1913, and an act concerning the form of government of the town of Greenwich, approved May 21, 1919, are repealed.

Approved, May 31, 1921.

[House Bill No. 738.]

[348.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO JACOB GREENBERG.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by Jacob Greenberg of Hartford by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 189.]

[349.]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TOWN COURT OF FAIRFIELD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. There is established in the town of Fairfield a court to be called the town court of Fairfield, which shall have jurisdiction of all crimes and misdemeanors committed within said town, and of all by-laws and regulations of said town, punishable by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment; also for the recovery of all fines, penalties and forfeitures, for the violation of any of the laws of this state, of which said court has jurisdiction, or of the by-laws or regulations of the town of Fairfield, wherein the fine, penalty or forfeiture does not exceed in amount the sum of two hundred dollars, or imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months, or both; and shall further have all jurisdiction, powers and authority that may belong to justices of the peace within towns in all matters of a criminal form or nature, and concurrently with the prosecuting agent for Fairfield county shall have jurisdiction over all proceedings under the liquor laws of this state arising within the corporate limits of said town; and said court shall have power to proceed to trial, render judgment and grant warrant of execution to carry into effect, and to enforce any order or judgment of said court; and may commit boys to the Connecticut School for Boys and girls to the Connecticut Industrial School for Girls, under the same provisions and limitations as justices of the peace in the several towns, and may commit children to temporary homes for dependent and neglected children; provided the accused in all cases may appeal to the next session of the court of common pleas for Fairfield county having criminal jurisdiction, and upon such appeal he shall give a recognizance, with surety, to the state, conditioned that

he shall appear before said criminal court of common pleas to answer to the complaint and abide the order and judgment of said court thereon; and, on his failure to enter into said recognizance, said court shall order him to be committed to the county jail in said county until the next session of said criminal court of common pleas, there to answer to said complaint and abide the order and judgment of said criminal court of common pleas thereon.

SEC. 2. Said town court shall take cognizance of and hear all complaints for criminal offenses committed within said town of Fairfield which shall be brought before said town court, and, in all cases in which punishment may be greater or less than a fine of two hundred dollars and imprisonment in a common jail or workhouse for six months, said town court may try the same, and if, in the opinion of the judge of said court, no greater punishment ought to be imposed, it may render judgment therein for a fine of not more than two hundred dollars and imprisonment for not more than six months, as aforesaid; but in all cases in which, in the opinion of the judge of said town court, such offense is of so aggravated a nature as to require a greater punishment than is within the jurisdiction of said court, and in all cases which are beyond the jurisdiction of said town court and in which probable cause is found by said town court for the support of the complaint, said town court shall, if the offense be bailable, order the accused to enter into a recognizance, with surety, to the state, in such sum as said town court shall determine, conditioned that the accused shall appear before the next criminal term of the superior court to be holden in Fairfield county to answer to the complaint and abide the order and judgment of said superior court thereon; and, on the failure of the accused to enter into such recognizance, or if the offense complained of be not bailable, said accused shall be committed by said town court to the county jail in and for said county until the next criminal session of said superior court and until he be discharged by due course of law.

SEC. 3. Said town court shall be held to be a police court, and said town court and the judge thereof shall have all the powers in cases within its jurisdiction and cognizance, as aforesaid, by law conferred upon police courts and the judges thereof.

SEC. 4. No grand juror shall make complaint, either to said court or to a justice of the peace, of any criminal matter arising within the town of Fairfield, nor shall any justice of the peace in said town take cognizance of any criminal action or complaint arising within the town of Fairfield, except as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 5. Said town court shall proceed in all cases without a jury, except in actions of summary process; may issue subpoenas and warrants of capias for witnesses, warrants of arrest upon complaints made to it of crimes, and all other criminal process, and administer justice in all criminal matters whereof this act gives jurisdiction according to

law, and may hold the accused for trial in the superior court for Fairfield county in cases beyond the jurisdiction of said town court, or in cases where, in the opinion of the judge of said court, the offense charged against the accused is of so aggravated a character as to require a greater punishment than said town court can impose. Said court may adjourn any case to a future time, and require a recognizance for the appearance of the accused, or, in default thereof, may commit him to jail to await the time of trial. When the court may have final jurisdiction of the case, the recognizance shall be to the town of Fairfield, and in all other cases, and upon appeals and binding over to the superior court, the recognizance shall be to the state.

SEC. 6. All causes of action at law wherein the matter in demand does not exceed the sum of three hundred dollars, between parties one of whom is a resident or is located within said town of Fairfield, or has estate in said town which is attached in said action, may be heard and determined by said town court, subject to the right of appeal to the court of common pleas for Fairfield county, except in actions of summary process, as is now provided by law for appeals from justices of the peace. If any answer shall be filed in any action pending before said town court, wherein the defendant claims judgment in his favor for a sum not exceeding that fixed as the highest pecuniary limit of the jurisdiction of said town court, or wherein equitable relief shall be demanded, or an equitable defense interposed, and a sufficient bond, with surety, to the adverse party is offered by such defendant filing such answer, conditioned for the transfer of such action as hereinafter provided, and that he shall prosecute his said answer to effect and pay all costs in case he fail to make his plea good, the said town court shall, without proceeding further in said action, take such recognizance; and thereupon copies of the files and records in said action shall be by the clerk of said court transmitted to the court of common pleas or superior court next to be held within and for said county, which would have original cognizance of an action brought to recover the demand or relief claimed in said answer; and said copies being filed with the clerk of said court to which they may be transmitted, and said clerk having entered said case upon the docket of said court, the same shall operate as a transfer of said action to said court of common pleas or superior court, which shall thereupon have full jurisdiction to hear and determine it in the same manner as if it were or might have been brought before it by original process or appeal; and any bonds, attachments or other security in favor of either party shall not be impaired by such transfer; but if the defendant does not offer or furnish such recognizance, or withdraw said answer he shall be deemed to have waived any claim for any greater sum or any other relief than said town court has jurisdiction to award, and said town court may thereupon proceed to take cognizance of the claim set up in said answer, and may render judgment in favor of the defendant if the same be established, for a sum not

exceeding that fixed as the highest pecuniary limit of its jurisdiction; and such judgment shall be a bar to any future claim by said defendant against the plaintiff for the whole or any part of the demand specified in said answer, excepting such claim or demand as may be of an equitable nature. If the plaintiff, in answer to any pleading of the defendant, shall interpose any equitable defense or ask for equitable relief, he shall be required to give the same recognizance as is hereinbefore provided for, and the cause thereupon shall be proceeded with in the manner above provided for in the case of such interposition by the defendant. If either party, having entered into such a recognizance shall fail to enter the cause in the court to which it is removable within three days after the return day, the other party may enter it in said court, and it shall be proceeded with and disposed of in the same manner as if it had been originally and legally brought to said court. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed as prohibiting justices of the peace for said county, residing in said town of Fairfield, from exercising the jurisdiction, power and authority which they now have by law, in the hearing and determination of civil actions, or from discharging any ministerial duty or office now by law imposed upon them, except as hereinafter contained. Whenever any cause or action for any cause or demand whatsoever shall be brought before any justice of the peace residing in the town of Fairfield, either party to the action may, at any time previous to the trial thereof, file with said justice before whom such action is pending a written motion that such cause be removed to the town court of Fairfield; and upon the filing of such motion said justice shall forthwith, and without proceeding further in said action, file with the clerk of said town court all of the original files and motions in said cause or action; and said clerk of said town court shall thereupon enter said cause upon the docket of said court, and this shall operate as a transfer of said cause or action to said town court, which shall thereupon have full jurisdiction to hear and determine it at the next return day of said court, or at any time thereafter, in the same manner as if it had been brought before said town court by original process; nor shall any bonds, attachments or other security in favor of either party be impaired by such transfer; and when said motion above provided for shall have been filed with said justice, any further order, judgment, execution or proceeding by said justice shall be null and void; and said justice shall indorse such transfer on the original file and shall be allowed a record fee of fifty cents therefor.

Sec. 7. All civil causes returnable to said town court shall be made returnable to the first or third Monday of any month; provided the return day be not more than six weeks from the date of the process, and all process returnable to said town court shall be served at least six days before the return day thereof, except in case of foreign attachment, in which case said process shall be served upon the garnishee at least twelve days before the return day and shall be returned to said

court by the officer serving the same on or before Friday of the week preceding the return day; and said actions, when returned to said court, shall be by the clerk thereof entered upon a docket to be kept for that purpose, and said actions may be continued until finally disposed of; nonsuits or defaults may be granted on the return day of said action in case of non-appearance of either party; provided said court may, at any time within thirty days from the granting of any such default or nonsuit, for cause shown and upon such terms as to payment of costs as it may order, reopen such cases in which such nonsuit or default may have been granted, order a stay of execution, if already issued, and thereafter proceed with said case in the same manner as though no such nonsuit or default had been granted. Upon the continuance or adjournment of any cause, civil or criminal, said court may make such orders in relation to recognizances, bonds or answers as may be deemed proper.

SEC. 8. Said town court shall be legally constituted for the exercise of any of the powers or jurisdiction conferred by this act whenever the judge or associate judge thereof shall be present at such place as shall be provided as hereinafter directed for the holding of such court; and said court may, by adjournment, sit at such other places within said town as may be deemed necessary or proper for the disposition of the business before it; but the judge of said court shall enter in the records of said court a memorandum of every such adjournment and of the reasons for the same, and of the place to which such adjournment was had.

SEC. 9. There shall be a judge of said town court to be appointed by the general assembly. He shall take the oath provided by law for judicial officers, and shall hold his office for a term of two years from the first day of July next following his appointment and until another is appointed and sworn in his stead.

SEC. 10. There shall be an associate judge of said town court to be appointed by the general assembly, who shall take the oath provided for judicial officers, and who shall hold his office for the term of two years from the first day of July next following his appointment and until another is appointed in his stead. Said associate judge shall, in case of a vacancy in the office of said judge, or in his absence from the town, disqualification, inability or at his request, act as the judge of said court, and shall, while so acting, have all the powers of said judge. In case of a vacancy in the office of associate judge during the term for which he may be appointed, the judge of said court may by appointment fill such vacancy for the remainder of such term.

SEC. 11. The judge of said court shall appoint a prosecuting attorney, and an assistant prosecuting attorney to act in the absence, inability or at the request of the prosecuting attorney, who shall have all the powers of the prosecuting attorney while acting in his stead, each of whom may be removed by said judge for cause, and each of whom shall hold office during the term of the judge appointing him, unless sooner

removed, and until his successor is duly appointed and has qualified, and each of whom shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of his duties; and in case of the death or resignation of said prosecuting attorney, or of the assistant prosecuting attorney, the judge of said town court shall appoint his successor to hold office for the remainder of the official term herein provided. Within the cognizance and jurisdiction of said town court, and as may be provided and restricted by this act, said prosecuting officer shall exercise the same authority and perform the same duties as are now provided by law for state's attorneys in their several counties, but shall not compromise with nor discharge any offender on payment of costs or other sum without the written approval of the judge or associate judge of said court, and said prosecuting officer shall further have the same powers and authority as are or may hereafter be conferred by law upon grand jurors by the general statutes.

SEC. 12. It shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney diligently to inquire after and make due presentment and complaint to said town court of all crimes, misdemeanors and other criminal matters whereof said court has jurisdiction or cognizance, or wherein said court may proceed, whether committed before or after his appointment to office; and said attorney shall, exclusively, except when his proper substitute shall act in his stead, have and perform all the duties and exercise all the powers within the limits of said town and of the cognizance of said town court that are by law assigned to and conferred upon grand jurors; provided nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting said court from taking cognizance of any warrant signed by the prosecuting agent or county health officer for Fairfield county and duly returned to said court, covering an offense committed within said said town of Fairfield and over which said officers have jurisdiction; and the right of said officers to appear and prosecute shall not be abridged.

SEC. 13. Said prosecuting attorney shall collect, in the name of the town of Fairfield, and by suit when necessary, all forfeited bonds payable to said town, and, by the written consent of said judge or associate judge, may compromise and settle said forfeited bonds for less than the full amount thereof, and shall pay all sums received by him into the treasury of said town of Fairfield. Said attorney and assistant attorney may issue subpoenas for witnesses to be sworn before said court in criminal cases. Each shall give bond to the town of Fairfield, with surety, to the acceptance of the first selectman of said town of Fairfield, in such sums as he shall fix, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties.

SEC. 14. Said prosecuting attorney of said town court, or said assistant prosecuting attorney when acting in his stead, shall act as clerk of said town court, and as such clerk he shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties, and keep the records of said court, and certify the same and copies thereof under the seal of said court, and shall receive all fines and costs paid before commitment, and all fines and costs

paid after commitment to the keeper of the jail or other place where the offender is confined shall be paid by such keeper to the clerk on demand. Said clerk shall also draw from the superior court or court of common pleas all sums taxed in such courts for costs in said town court, in cases coming before said superior court from said town court by binding over process, and in cases coming before said court of common pleas from said town court by appeal or otherwise, including all costs in cases before said town court when the accused shall be discharged for want of probable cause and the offense charged is beyond the jurisdictions of said town court. All fines, costs and other sums coming into his hands shall be paid by said clerk into the town treasury; provided said clerk may pay to persons entitled to costs in any proceedings in said court such costs as of right have accrued to them and have been taxed in their favor, taking their receipt therefor, but shall not pay any costs to any persons who shall not demand the same within six months after the same are taxed; and said clerk may draw orders on the town treasury aforesaid for such sums as are necessary to pay all such costs and fees as may be taxed by said court in any criminal case and payable from the town treasury, or may pay the same out of the funds of the town in his hands, and costs and fees shall be paid only to those persons in whose favor they may have been taxed, or on their written order.

SEC. 15. No fees for attendance at court, keeping a prisoner, or for assistance in making an arrest, shall be taxed or allowed to any officer serving criminal process, unless said town court shall find that such attendance, keeping or assistance was necessary; but said court may tax and allow legal fees at its discretion, to any officer making an arrest, when the accused was apprehended in the act or on the speedy information of others, but no fees shall be taxed for arrest when the offender is already under arrest and in the custody of a constable or police officer or in the lockup. No fees shall be allowed a bystander as a witness before said court, nor shall any person be entitled to receive any fees, unless demand shall be made therefor, or the clerk thereof shall have drawn his order on the town treasury for the same, within thirty days after the same shall become due.

SEC. 16. The clerk of said town court shall account to the treasurer of said town of Fairfield, monthly, under such regulations as the selectmen of said town shall prescribe, for all moneys received by him under the provisions of this act, and shall pay to said treasurer, within ten days after the time of accounting, any unexpended moneys in his possession belonging to said town. He shall execute a penal bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, with a surety or sureties satisfactory to the first selectman of said town, payable to said town, and conditioned for the faithful performance of his duty in the care, custody and accounting for all moneys received by him under the provisions of this act. Said assistant clerk shall execute a penal bond in the sum of five hundred dollars, with a surety or sureties satisfactory to the first select-

man of said town, payable to said town, and conditioned for the faithful performance of his duty in the care, custody and accounting for all moneys received by him when acting as clerk under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 17. The judge of said town court shall receive a salary of one thousand dollars per annum and the associate judge shall receive a salary of three hundred dollars per annum. The prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of eight hundred dollars per annum and the assistant prosecuting attorney shall receive a salary of three hundred dollars per annum. The salaries and compensation provided for in this section shall be in lieu of all fees whatsoever for the services of said officers arising from their proceedings in said town court, and shall be paid monthly from the treasury of said town of Fairfield upon the order of the judge of said court.

SEC. 18. The same costs shall be taxed in said town court in all cases of a criminal form or nature as are taxed in similar cases before justices of the peace, except that two dollars docket fee, three dollars for the trial of each case and one dollar on each appeal shall be allowed, and, if actually engaged more than one day in the trial of such case, two dollars for each day after the first day that said town court is so engaged; but in cases under the liquor laws there shall be added to the items of costs above provided for, the amount of the fees of prosecuting agents as now fixed by law. In all cases brought by said prosecuting agent said fees shall be taxed by the judge of said court and paid to said prosecuting agent in the same manner as other court expenses. All copies in cases going to the court of common pleas or superior court from said town court by appeal, binding over or otherwise, shall, with the additions last mentioned, be taxed the same as in similar cases going to the court of common pleas or superior court in the same manner from justices of the peace. All costs for service of criminal process and witness fees taxed under the provisions of this act and not paid by the accused or otherwise received shall be paid from the treasury of said town of Fairfield on the order of the clerk of said court. Said court may reduce or disallow fees taxable by said court.

SEC. 19. All process issued by said town court shall be signed only by the judge, associate judge or prosecuting attorney, or assistant prosecuting attorney duly authorized; subpoenas to procure the attendance of witnesses before said court may be signed by the judge, associate judge, prosecuting attorney or assistant prosecuting attorney; bonds or recognizances on the continuance of any case, or on binding over to the superior court, or on appeal to the criminal court of common pleas shall be take by the judge or associate judge; and bonds for appearance at said court to answer may be taken by the judge, the associate judge, the prosecuting attorney or the assistant prosecuting attorney, but the authority taking such bond for appearance shall note on the file in

each case the name of the surety, the amount of the bond and the date and hour at which the accused is to appear before said court, which entry shall be a part of the file and record of said case. All process issued by said town court shall be served by any proper officer, or an indifferent person when specially directed to such, in the same manner as process issued by any justice of the peace or any other court, and shall be obeyed by any and all persons and officers to whom they shall be directed, or whom they may concern. Neither said judge nor associate judge shall be disqualified to act in any case from which money by penalty or otherwise may accrue to the town of Fairfield by reason of his being a resident or taxpayer of said town.

SEC. 20. Whenever any person shall be arraigned before said court for drunkenness, vagrancy, disorderly conduct or breach of the peace, said court may suspend execution of any judgment concerning him for a specified time or indefinitely, whenever such suspension shall seem to the court reasonable.

SEC. 21. Sureties of the peace and good behavior may be required by said town court in such cases and in such manner as justices of the peace are now authorized by law to require the same. Said court may also require sureties of the peace and good behavior in addition to and in lieu of any penalty imposed by said court in such cases brought by said prosecuting attorney, as provided by this act, whenever a prayer therefor shall be inserted in said complaint and the interests of justice require it.

SEC. 22. The selectmen of said town of Fairfield shall provide a suitable court room, which shall be within said town, and such other accommodations for said town court as the judge thereof shall deem necessary. The judge thereof shall provide for the use of said court such record books, blanks, stationery and suitable means and accommodations for the safe keeping of the files and records of said court, as he shall deem reasonable and proper, and the expense therefor shall be paid by said town on an order drawn by said judge upon the treasurer of said town.

SEC. 23. The judge or associate judge of said town court may, whenever he deems it necessary, appoint an officer to attend any session thereof for the purpose of preserving order, and the court may tax reasonable fees for such attendance in the bill of costs for the case for which said appointment was made.

SEC. 24. In case of a vacancy in the office of either the judge or associate judge of said town court by reason of absence from the town of Fairfield, or by reason of inability to act from sickness or from any other cause, or by reason of disqualification from any cause whatsoever, said judge of said town court may designate in writing any judge or associate judge of any city, police or town court within said county to act as judge of said town court, with all the powers given to said judge of said town court by this act, during such absence from town, sick-

ness or such disqualification to act. Any judge or associate judge, while acting under such appointment as judge of said town court, shall receive a compensation therefor of five dollars per day for each day so employed.

SEC. 25. Said town court shall have jurisdiction over complaints for summary process, bastardy suits and actions in rem, and may proceed therein and therewith in the same manner and to the same extent that justices of the peace may do.

SEC. 26. Said town court shall have power, on motion, to order bonds or additional bonds for prosecution in any civil cause pending before it, in such sums as it may deem just and reasonable, motions for which shall be made on the return day of such cause, or written motions for which may be filed with said court at any time before such return day; but no motion for such bonds shall be entertained after said return day unless satisfactory reason therefor be shown to said court; said court shall have full power to make and establish such rules of practice, pleading and proceedings within the limitations and provisions of this act as it shall deem expedient; and said court shall have the same authority and power to enforce its orders and rules as courts of common pleas have.

SEC. 27. In all civil actions returnable to said town court the following fees shall be collected by the clerk: An entry fee of three dollars, a judgment fee of two dollars on judgments for less than one hundred dollars, a judgment fee of five dollars on all judgments exceeding one hundred dollars, execution, twenty-five cents, and copies of files and records, twenty-five cents per page; provided, in actions wherein a sum is demanded not exceeding one hundred dollars, such entry fee shall be two dollars. In all actions of summary process the entry fee shall be two dollars and the judgment fee, two dollars. In all civil actions wherein the matter in demand shall exceed one hundred dollars, the same taxable costs to parties shall be allowed as by law are now taxable in the court of common pleas, and in all other civil cases the same taxable costs to parties shall be allowed as by law are now taxable in the court of common pleas in justice appealed cases.

SEC. 28. The entry fee, judgment fee and jury fee, which shall be either six or twelve dollars, provided for herein shall be paid for as follows: The entry fee, by the plaintiff on or before the return day, the judgment fee, by the plaintiff before the judgment shall be rendered in the case, and the jury fee, by the party moving for the same before a jury shall be summoned, and if judgment be rendered in favor of the plaintiff, said fee shall be taxed as costs in his favor; the fees for copies and executions shall be paid, before such copies or executions are delivered, by the party demanding the same.

SEC. 29. Should a borough be established within the town of Fairfield, said town court shall have jurisdiction over all prosecutions for violations of the ordinances or by-laws of said borough, punishable by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars or by imprisonment in a com-

mon jail or workhouse for a term not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Said court shall proceed in such cases in the same manner as in other criminal prosecutions within its jurisdiction, except that all bonds required by said court for the appearance of the accused in said court shall be to the borough, and the prosecuting attorney shall have power to collect such bonds by suit in the name of the borough if necessary. All fines and forfeitures received by the prosecuting attorney in such cases shall be accounted for at the same time and in the same manner as provided in this act for money in his hands belonging to the town of Fairfield, and the selectmen of said town shall, annually, account for and pay to the treasurer of said borough the amount of such fines and forfeitures less such part thereof as the selectmen of said town and the warden of such borough shall agree is the fair proportion of the total expense of said court which said borough should bear.

SEC. 30. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority vote of the electors of the town of Fairfield at any annual or special meeting of said town. If said vote shall be in favor of the approval of this act, it shall thereupon take effect and a certificate of said vote signed by the town clerk of said town shall be filed in the office of the secretary of the state, and in the event that the general assembly shall fail to appoint the judge and deputy judge of said court at any time after the taking effect of this act, the governor shall appoint the judge and deputy judge thereof.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 623.]

[350.]

AN ACT DIVIDING THE TOWN OF WINDHAM INTO VOTING
DISTRICTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Windham is divided into four voting districts, designated and described as follows: The first voting district shall consist of and include the first ward of the city of Willimantic as now established; the second voting district shall consist of and include the second ward of the city of Willimantic as now established; the third voting district shall consist of and include the third ward of the city of Willimantic as now established and all that part of the town of Windham outside the limits of the city of Willimantic and lying easterly of the Natchaug and Shetucket rivers; the fourth district shall consist of and include the fourth ward of the city of Willimantic as now established and all that part of the town of Windham outside of the limits of the city of Willimantic situated westerly of the Shetucket river.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall not take effect until the same shall have been approved at a town meeting duly warned and held for that purpose.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 248.]

[351.]

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE GALEN HOSPITAL MAY FILE ITS CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Galen Hospital, incorporated by an act approved April 15, 1919, may organize and file its certificate of organization with the secretary of the state at any time prior to the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 36.]

[352.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD TO CONSTRUCT SEWERS AND AUTHORIZING SAID TOWN TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The board of selectmen of the town of Wethersfield with four electors of said town, chosen as hereinafter provided, shall constitute a commission to lay out and construct public sewers and drains in said town.

SEC. 2. Said commission may lay out and construct, alter and repair sewers or drains in any of the public highways or elsewhere in said town; may enter upon and take land of any person or corporation outside of the highways in said town for the purpose of constructing any sewer or drain; may agree with any owner of land or interest therein for the right of way for the same, and for the payment therefor; and may also agree with any person or corporation for the privilege of connecting any sewer or drain to be constructed in said town with any existing sewer or stream, and for obtaining such right of way outside of said town as may be found necessary to make proper outlets for sewers in said town. Said commission may assess the cost of the same against the persons and property specially benefited thereby, in the same manner as is hereinafter provided for assessments for special bene-

fits for the layout and construction of sewers and drains; and such assessments shall be a lien upon the properties and shall be continued in the same manner and to the same extent as is hereinafter provided.

SEC. 3. Whenever said commission shall lay out, or cause to be laid out, any public sewer or drain in said town in whole or in part through or across lands not used as public highways, and cannot agree with the owners of said lands and persons having interests therein as to the damages to be paid for taking lands and interests therein for said purposes, said commission shall appraise the damages to be paid to the owners thereof caused by taking the right of way for such sewer or drain, subject to the right of appeal as is hereinafter provided.

SEC. 4. Before constructing any sewer or drain, said commission shall cause a map, drawing or written description to be made clearly showing the layout of such sewer or drain, the adjoining land and the owners thereof, and shall lodge a copy of said map, drawing or written description in the town clerk's office of the town of Wethersfield for public inspection.

SEC. 5. Said commission is authorized to apportion and assess upon the lands and buildings in said town, which shall in its judgment be specially benefited thereby whether they abut on the sewers and drains or not, and upon the owners of such lands and buildings, subject to the right of appeal as provided in this act, a proportional or reasonable part of the expense of laying out, constructing, altering and repairing any sewers or drains which it may vote to construct in said town, and of procuring rights of way, outlets and privileges therefor, and of the notices by publication or otherwise provided for in this section, and, in estimating such expense, said commission may take into consideration the cost of construction, including interest paid by the town of Wethersfield thereon, and of previous maintenance of any main or trunk or connecting sewer or drain into and through which any lateral, connecting or other sewer or drain, the cost of which is being estimated, is to be discharged, provided the amount of the assessment shall not in any case exceed the benefits conferred upon the property by the improvement for which the assessment is levied. Said commission, after voting to lay out and construct any sewer or drain, shall estimate the expense of such layout and construction, and of procuring such rights of way, outlets and privileges therefor, and of such notices by publication or otherwise, including the cost and previous maintenance, including interest paid as aforesaid, of any main, trunk or connecting sewer or drain, into and through which the sewer or drain, the cost of which is being estimated, is to be discharged, and shall assess the proportion of such expense which any person or corporation, including railroad corporations, occupying streets with their tracks, or any lands or buildings specially benefited thereby, whether they abut on the sewer or drain or not, should respectively defray. In making assessments, upon the property benefited, the commission may divide the total territory to be

drained by said system into districts and may assess the property benefited in each district separately, those receiving immediate benefits being assessed first, and the less congested districts at such time or times as in the opinion of the commission the growth and development of such districts warrant. In making the assessments upon the property in the several districts as aforesaid, if such plan of assessment be adopted by the commission, said sewer commissioners in each case shall add to the cost of the sewers or drains located in the district being assessed the proportionate share of the cost of the trunk or main sewer or drain which the property in such district should bear, including the cost of rights of way, outlets and privileges therefor, the proportionate share of the interest which the town shall be required to pay for the use of the money spent in constructing the main or trunk sewer or drain, and such other expenses as are necessary and incidental thereto.

SEC. 6. Said commission shall, on the written request of any person against whom or whose property an assessment is levied made at any time within one year after such assessment becomes due and payable, apportion such assessment or charge into such number of equal annual payments or installments not exceeding five, as such person shall designate in such request. Interest at the rate of six per centum per annum shall be added to each of such installments or charges until it is paid. Nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the payment in full, at any time, in one payment, notwithstanding its prior apportionment, of any balance of any assessment or charge then remaining unpaid. Said commission may in its discretion extend the time for the payment of a portion or all of any assessments upon unimproved land, and such extended assessment shall become due and payable at such time as shall be fixed upon by said commission. Such portion of the total expense incurred under the provisions of this act in connection with the construction of such drains, sewers or sewer system or systems, and in acquiring rights of way, outlets and privileges therefor, as is not immediately assessed against the persons and property specially benefited, shall, in the first instance, be paid by the town of Wethersfield, from the proceeds of bonds or notes issued therefor. An accurate account shall be kept of all moneys paid by the town under the foregoing provision, and the amount of such expense shall be taken into consideration in making later assessments for special benefits on account of sewers and drains. All moneys thereafter received by the town of Wethersfield, on account of sewer and drain construction, either as special benefits or otherwise, in excess of the actual cost of subsequent extensions to said system, shall be kept in a fund separate from the general funds of the town, and shall constitute a sinking fund for the retirement of the bonds issued in aid of sewer construction.

SEC. 7. Whenever any lands abutting upon any sewer or drain constructed under authority of this act are so situated, either by reason of grade, elevation or otherwise, as to be incapable of being drained

by such sewer or drain, and therefore not benefited thereby or assessed therefor at the time of the original construction, but shall thereafter become capable of being so drained, said commission may assess said lands as provided in this act. The owners, lessees or occupants of such lands and structures shall not thereafter make any connection with such sewer or drain or lay any sewer or drain to be connected therewith without obtaining permission in writing from said commission and paying such assessment therefor as such commission shall deem just. No person shall make any connection with the public sewers or drains of said town or lay any sewer or drain to be connected with such sewers or drains or open any street or public way for the purpose of laying or repairing any sewer or drain in connection with such sewers or drains, unless he shall obtain permission in writing from said sewer commission. Said commission may make a proper charge for such connection or other use of such sewers or drains, and may include a reasonable proportional charge for prior costs and expenses of trunk or lateral sewers or drains.

Sec. 8. In case land is divided prior to the time when the final payment is due and payable, said commission, upon request, may divide said assessments and apportion the payments still due upon separate parcels of land and each parcel thereafter shall be liable for only that portion of the unpaid assessment levied thereon.

Sec. 9. After making said appraisal and assessment a public hearing shall be given to all parties in interest and reasonable notice of such hearing and of the time and place of holding the same shall be given by said commission by causing a certificate signed by said commission or a majority of them, setting forth the damages appraised and benefits assessed on account of said sewer or drain, to be deposited in the town clerk's office of said town of Wethersfield and to be published at least once in each of two daily newspapers published in Hartford and a notice thereof sent by registered mail, letter postage prepaid, to all persons in whose favor damages are appraised or against whose lands benefits are assessed. At the time set for such hearing the parties interested may appear and be heard thereon and said commission shall, if it see fit, revise such appraisal and assessment with reference to such objections, and said commission shall thereupon make a final appraisal and assessment on such benefits as aforesaid and shall cause the same to be published as a final appraisal and assessment in two daily newspapers published in Hartford and shall deposit a certificate thereof in said town clerk's office.

Sec. 10. In case any appraisal or assessment is for any reason invalid and unenforceable a new appraisal and assessment may be made and the same shall be valid and enforceable, and said new appraisal and assessment may be made subsequently to the commencement of the construction of said sewer or drain. In case any assessment is made which is not sufficient to cover the entire cost of any particular sewer or drain

together with the proportionate share of the cost of the main or trunk sewer or drain including the cost of rights of way, outlets and privileges therefor, with interest and incidental expenses, as provided by this act, a supplementary assessment may be made against those properties previously assessed and the then present owners thereof, to the end that a sum sufficient to pay the costs of such sewers or drains and all other costs as hereinbefore recited may be obtained, provided no such supplementary assessment together with the original assessment shall exceed the benefits conferred.

SEC. 11. Any person aggrieved by such appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits may, within twenty days after said final certificate is filed in the town clerk's office, and publication made, appeal from such appraisal or assessment to the judge of the court of common pleas for Hartford county, and such judge shall hear and determine said appeal. Such appeal shall be by a suitable petition in writing, setting forth the whole of said appraisal or assessment and asking for a reappraisal of damages or reassessment of benefits, with a citation attached thereto signed by any authority authorized to sign writs, and returnable before said judge at two o'clock in the afternoon on the day four weeks subsequent to the day on which said certificate was filed in said town clerk's office, and said citation directed to said commission shall be served upon the members thereof at least four days before the return day.

SEC. 12. Such appeals may be heard by said judge, but may, upon the motion of any party thereto or person interested therein, or at the discretion of said judge, be referred by said judge to a committee, which shall hear the same and report the facts and its conclusions to said judge.

SEC. 13. If, upon the hearing of any appeal, the judge or committee shall find cause to alter said appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits, then said judge or committee shall reappraise the damages to the appellant or appellants, or reassess the benefits which said appellant or appellants or their lands or buildings should respectively defray.

SEC. 14. If the judge or committee hearing said appeal shall be of opinion that persons, other than those who appear upon the record, are interested in the subject-matter of said appeal, said judge or committee shall cause the appellants to give notice of the pendency of the proceedings to such other persons in such manner as said judge or committee may direct. Said judge shall have all necessary power for the purpose of disposing of said appeal and may render judgment therein, may apportion and tax the costs of appeal or tax them in favor of any party and may issue execution therefor.

SEC. 15. Upon the completion of said appraisal of damages and assessment of benefits and the payment of damages awarded to those persons whose lands or interest in land is taken, or upon depositing the same with the treasurer of said town to be paid by him to said

persons on their demand, said commission may proceed to construct such sewer or drain and may make contracts for the construction of the same, provided in case an appeal is taken, as authorized by this act, such appeal shall not necessitate delay in the action of the commission in laying out, altering or making such public sewer or drain or in the actual execution thereof, and provided no such contract shall be executed until the contractors shall give a bond, with surety acceptable to said commission for the due and proper fulfillment by said contractor of such contract.

SEC. 16. Upon the completion of such sewer or drain said commission shall give notice thereof, and shall give notice that the benefits assessed are due and payable by publication at least once in each of two daily newspapers published in said Hartford, and all benefits assessed shall be due and payable to the treasurer of the town within fifteen days after said publication, and all assessments remaining unpaid after they become due and payable as herein provided shall draw interest at the rate of six per centum per annum.

SEC. 17. Said benefits shall be a lien upon the land on account of which they were assessed, which lien shall begin and attach to said land from the date of filing of the first certificate by the commission with the town clerk as required in section nine of this act, provided the same shall not remain a lien thereon for more than six months from the final completion of the work, unless said commission shall file with the town clerk of Wethersfield within said six months a certificate signed by them, or a majority of them, describing the premises assessed, the amount of the assessment, and the work for which the assessment was made. If appeals are taken and pending at the time of such completion the benefits appealed from shall remain a lien upon the land upon which they were assessed for not more than six months from the final decision of the courts in said cases unless a certificate is filed as provided herein.

SEC. 18. Said liens may be foreclosed in the name of the town of Wethersfield in the manner provided by law for the foreclosure of judgment liens, and the court having jurisdiction may limit a time for redemption, or order the sale of the property, or pass such order or decree as it shall deem proper, and the town may maintain a civil action in its name against the person assessed to recover the amount of said assessment.

SEC. 19. Said town is authorized to supply capital for laying out, constructing, maintaining, altering and repairing sewers and drains and for procuring rights of way, outlets and privileges therefor pursuant to the provisions of this act, and for such purpose is authorized to issue under its corporate name and seal, from time to time, bonds to be known as "Sewer Construction Bonds of the Town of Wethersfield," the avails of which bonds shall be expended solely for the purposes aforesaid, and for the purpose of paying off and discharging bonds theretofore issued for the same purposes, subject to the limitations and

restrictions hereinafter imposed. Said town is authorized to issue notes for the same purposes to be denominated "Sewer Construction Notes of the Town of Wethersfield" the proceeds of which notes shall be used solely for the same purposes as the bonds aforesaid, provided the total amount of said bonds and notes outstanding at any time shall not exceed two hundred thousand dollars, including all advancements theretofore made. Said bonds and notes shall be general obligations of said town of Wethersfield to the holders thereof and to the payment of which, with interest thereon, the full faith and credit of said town stands pledged.

SEC. 20. No bond and no note issued under the authority of this act shall obligate the town of Wethersfield or its inhabitants, unless the legal voters of said town, at a meeting legally warned and held for the purpose, shall have authorized its issue. In the case of bonds the legal voters at said meeting shall also prescribe the rate of interest and the term and denomination of said bonds, provided no bond shall run for a longer term than thirty years or exceed one thousand dollars in amount. Every note and every bond of said town issued for sewer or drain purposes under the provisions of this act shall be signed by the three selectmen and town clerk and countersigned by the treasurer.

SEC. 21. Before constructing any sewers or drains under the provisions of this act the treasurer of said town of Wethersfield shall open a set of books of accounts in which he shall keep a complete record of the financial operations of said town in connection with the construction and maintenance of sewers and drains. The proceeds of all sewer construction bonds and notes issued under the authority of this act, all money received by said treasurer from assessment for benefits and from liens for benefits in pursuance of the provisions of this act, shall be deposited by the treasurer in a special bank account, or accounts, separate from other money of said town, and all disbursements made by said treasurer, under the provisions of this act, shall be made from said special account.

SEC. 22. The board of selectmen of said town and their successors in office shall be the trustees of all bonds issued under the provisions of this act. They shall determine the particular form, superintend the issue and conduct the sale thereof.

SEC. 23. The bonds authorized by this act shall not be sold without public advertisement, setting forth when and where bids therefor will be received and opened, and specifying the amount and kind thereof to be sold. The bids of responsible parties which will yield to the town the largest aggregate amount for the bonds offered shall be accepted, but if, in the opinion of the board of selectmen of said town, such amount is inadequate, all bids shall be rejected. The provisions of this section shall not prevent the negotiation of said bonds at private sale for an adequate price after the failure to obtain such price upon public advertisement.

SEC. 24. Within sixty days after the approval of this act, the selectmen of the town of Wethersfield shall warn a special town meeting to determine whether the town will accept the provisions of this act. The vote at said meeting upon the question of accepting the provisions of this act shall be by ballot, and those in favor of such acceptance shall bring in ballots on which shall be written or printed the word "Yes." Those opposed to such action shall bring in ballots on which shall be written or printed the word "No." Notice of said special meeting shall be given by advertising the call therefor twice in some daily newspaper published in Hartford, and by posting a notice upon the public signpost in said town, at least five days before the date of said special meeting. If said special meeting shall vote to accept the provisions of this act it shall thereupon choose four electors of said town to serve as sewer commissioners from the date of their election until the first Monday in March, 1922. The annual town meeting in said town to be held on the first Monday of October, 1921, at its adjourned session for the transaction of town business, shall choose two electors of said town to be sewer commissioners for one year from the first Monday in March, 1922, and two for two years from said date. The annual town meeting in said town held in October, 1922, and annually thereafter, at its adjourned session for the transaction of town business, shall choose two electors of said town to be sewer commissioners for the term of two years from the first Monday in March next succeeding their election. Each commissioner shall hold office until his successor is chosen and qualified and said sewer commission shall have authority to fill any vacancy in the commission which may arise, for the balance of the term only. Said commission shall choose its own chairman and clerk, and its members and clerk shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. Said commission shall be substituted for the commission at present holding office. Said commissioners shall receive no compensation for their services, but said town shall make suitable appropriations for the expenses of said commission, and no expenses shall be incurred by said commission in excess of such appropriations.

SEC. 25. The amount of bonds herein authorized to be issued by the town of Wethersfield is in excess of the legal limit restricting bond issues as defined in chapter 108 of the public acts of 1919, and the special emergency which makes this bond issue necessary is the imperative need for the construction of a sewer system in the town of Wethersfield. The provisions of chapter 108 of the public acts of 1919, or any amendment to said chapter passed by the general assembly at its January session, 1921, restricting bond issues to a certain per centum of the grand list of the municipality, shall not apply to the provisions of this act, which are herein expressly exempted from the requirements of the existing statute or any statute relating to the same subject enacted by the general assembly at its January session, 1921.

SEC. 26. Said commission may from time to time prescribe rules and regulations for connecting lands and buildings with sewers and drains and for the inspection of materials, the construction, alteration and use of all connections and drains entering into such sewers or drains and may require the owner of any lands or buildings abutting on a street or way in which there is a public sewer or drain to connect the same therewith by a sufficient sewer or drain and may require connecting sewers or drains to be maintained in good repair. Said commission may, either by agreement with the owner or on his failure to make such connections or repairs, after notice, make such connections or repairs and assess the same against such owner and land as provided in this act.

SEC. 27. The city of Hartford may, by vote of its common council, permit the town of Wethersfield, or said commission, to connect any of its sewers with any sewer which is or may hereafter be constructed by said city.

SEC. 28. No such permission shall be granted until the board of street commissioners of the city of Hartford and said commission shall fix and determine the amount to be paid to said city of Hartford therefor, including the proportion of the cost of any new sewer in said city to be borne by said town, and no connection with any sewer or sewers of said city shall be made under such permission until the amount so agreed upon shall have been paid to said city or the payment thereof secured to the satisfaction of said board of street commissioners.

SEC. 29. The invalidity of any section or provision of this act shall not render invalid or affect the remaining provisions thereof.

SEC. 30. An act authorizing the town of Wethersfield to construct sewers, approved April 9, 1901, and an act amending an act authorizing the town of Wethersfield to construct sewers and authorizing said town to issue bonds, approved May 7, 1917, are repealed, but said repeal shall not invalidate any assessments or proceedings heretofore made under the provisions of said acts.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 653.]

[353.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section nine of an act creating a board of finance for the town of Orange, approved July 13, 1911, is amended to read as follows: A tax shall annually be laid upon the inhabitants and property within said town, for the purpose of meeting the general obligations and expenses of said town, but all money required to be expended for the fire department, or for any public work or purpose which is for the exclusive benefit

or use of the inhabitants or property within the first taxation district shall be raised by taxation upon the inhabitants and property within said district only; provided the board of finance of said town shall have power to include in the annual tax so levied such an amount as shall be necessary to be paid into any sinking fund lawfully created for the purpose of retiring any bond issue, or for the payment of any other indebtedness incurred for the repair of sewers, or for the reconstruction or repairs of any disposal plant or outfall line appurtenant to the same within said district. The portion of said tax so levied for such sinking fund shall be levied against such property only as shall be benefited by such repairs or reconstruction. In all cases where sewers connected with the sewerage system in said first taxation district extend into territory located within the second taxation district the board of finance shall have power to include in the tax rate levied against property located in said second taxation district and benefited by such repairs or reconstruction as aforesaid the same proportionate amount as that levied for said purposes against property so benefited within the bounds of said first taxation district.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 486.]

[354.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING AN INCREASED ISSUE OF BONDS OF
THE WOLCOTT HILL FIRE DISTRICT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. In addition to the serial bonds issued by the Wolcott Hill Fire District in the town of Wethersfield in accordance with the provisions of an act approved April 17, 1917, said Wolcott Hill Fire District is authorized to issue its serial bonds or serial notes to an amount not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; the first installment of such bonds to mature within three years from the date of issue and the remainder of the principal thereof to be payable at some certain time or times not later than fifteen years from the date thereof. No such bonds shall be sold at less than par. The proceeds from the sale of such bonds shall be used for the extension or improvement of the water system of such fire district or for uses directly incidental thereto. Such bonds shall not be issued except upon a majority vote of the legal voters of said district present and voting at a meeting specially warned and held for such purpose.

SEC. 2. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the dis-

trict, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 622.]

[355.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE TOWN OF
NORWALK AND THE CITIES OF NORWALK AND SOUTH
NORWALK AND THE EAST NORWALK FIRE
DISTRICT, AND INCORPORATING THE
CITY OF NORWALK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section 54 of an act consolidating the town of Norwalk and the cities of Norwalk and South Norwalk and the East Norwalk Fire District, and incorporating the city of Norwalk, approved June 6, 1913, is amended to read as follows: The council of said city may make ordinances to regulate such meetings and elections and to provide for holding and conducting the same, and shall fix the compensation of the registrars and their assistants, and of the presiding officers, box tenders, check clerks and counters, provided each registrar of the first and second voting districts shall receive not less than two hundred dollars annually and each registrar of the third voting district not less than one hundred and twenty-five dollars annually, as compensation for their services as such registrars.

SEC. 2. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority vote of the electors of said city of Norwalk, at the biennial election held the first Monday of October, 1921. If said vote shall be in favor of the approval of this act it shall thereupon take effect, and a certificate of said vote, signed by the clerk of said city, shall be filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 664.]

[356.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE BOROUGH OF
NAUGATUCK CONCERNING VOTING DISTRICTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section three of an act amending the charter of the borough of Naugatuck, approved June 1, 1897, is amended to read as follows: At

all electors' meetings hereafter held in the town or borough of Naugatuck on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, the electors thereof shall be warned in the manner provided by law to meet at six o'clock in the forenoon, and the polls in each ward shall be open from six o'clock in the forenoon and remain open until five o'clock in the afternoon on the day of such election.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 435.]

[357.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD CONCERNING PUBLIC WORKS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section six of an act to alter the charter of the city of Hartford, and to combine sundry public statutes relating thereto, approved June 24, 1859, as amended by section four of an act amending the charter of the city of Hartford, approved June 6, 1913, as amended by an act amending the charter of the city of Hartford, approved April 19, 1917, is amended to read as follows: There shall be a court of common council of said city which shall consist of one branch, to be known as a board of aldermen, in which shall be vested the government, control and management of said city, its property and its affairs, subject to the exceptions otherwise set forth. The board of aldermen shall be composed of all the aldermen of said city, and shall be the final judge of the election returns and validity of elections and qualifications of its members. Neither the mayor nor any member of said board of aldermen shall be chosen or appointed to any other office by such court of common council. Every vote, resolution, ordinance or by-law, except as otherwise expressly provided in the charter of said city, in the passage of which a majority of said court shall have concurred, shall be submitted to the mayor for his approval; and if not by him disapproved, the same shall become valid and effectual as a corporate act of said city; if disapproved, the same shall be by him returned to the next court of common council, which shall thereupon reconsider the vote, resolution, ordinance or by-law, and if said court shall thereupon, by a majority vote, again adopt or enact the same, it shall thereupon become a valid corporate act; it being expressly provided that no vote or resolution of said common council, or any branch of said city government, ordering a public work or improvement which shall require an expenditure of more than twenty-five thousand dollars, shall be valid and effectual unless approved by a majority vote of a city meeting, duly warned and held for that purpose, which vote shall be by ballot or voting machines.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[House Bill No. 975.]

[358.]

AN ACT CONCERNING INDEXING THE SPECIAL LAWS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The secretary of the state is directed to appoint some skilled attorney who shall, within one year from the date of his appointment, prepare a complete index of all the volumes of special laws, acts and resolutions passed by the general assembly and such index shall include the special acts, laws and resolutions passed at this session. Upon certification by the secretary that the work has been satisfactorily done within the time specified, the comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of the person so appointed for such sum as the board of control may determine, in full compensation for the services rendered in preparing such index.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

 [House Bill No. 993.]

[359.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section three of an act amending the charter of the city of New Haven, approved May 13, 1909, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Provided said board shall have power, in anticipation of the future avails of the one and one-half mills tax referred to in the section next preceding, to make contracts to be fulfilled not later than three years from the date thereof estimating the amount of such future avails on the average income from said tax for the period of three years next prior to the date of any such contract."

SEC. 2. Section two of an act amending the charter of the city of New Haven, approved June 5, 1907, is amended to read as follows: In the months of August and September in each year the board of finance shall make estimates of the moneys necessary to be appropriated for the expenses of said city for the year next ensuing, beginning January first, and of the rate of taxation required to meet the same, and shall classify the said expenses under appropriate heads and departments. In the preparation of said estimates said board of finance shall give notice to each board or department, of a definite time and place where they will meet to consider the needs of such board or department; said board of finance shall recommend such tax upon the polls and ratable estates within the limits of said city as it shall deem necessary to meet such expenses. Said estimates and the rate of taxation recommended

shall be submitted to the board of aldermen on or before the third Monday of said month of September and, within five days after said submission, shall be published once in each of the daily newspapers in said city; and after such publication and on or before the first Monday of October next succeeding, said board of aldermen shall proceed to consider and act upon said estimates, and said appropriations and rate of taxation, so reported by the board of finance to said board of aldermen shall be final, and the appropriations and rate of taxation shall be the legal appropriations and the legal rate of taxation for said city, unless changed by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen; but said board of aldermen shall not have power to increase the appropriations, or any item thereof, or the rate of taxation as recommended by the board of finance, nor shall said board of aldermen reduce any item fixed by said board of finance for the payment of interest or principal of the municipal debt, but the total amount of such annual appropriations for any one year shall not exceed the estimated income for that year, nor shall any city or department officer or board of commissioners of said city make any expenditures except for the objects and purposes specified by said board of aldermen, nor shall any city or department officer or board of commissioners of said city incur any liability or expense by contract or otherwise for which said city shall be responsible in excess of the appropriations so made by said board of finance and said board of aldermen. In estimating the receipts of the city for any fiscal year, neither the board of finance nor the board of aldermen shall include in the item of unpaid taxes to be collected an amount greater than the average amount actually paid as back taxes for the ten years last preceding. The board of finance, upon the recommendation of the board of aldermen, shall have power to make appropriations for public receptions, parades, concerts and celebrations to an amount not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars for any one of said purposes in any one year. No amount appropriated for any one purpose, whether general or special, shall be used or appropriated for any other purpose except the same be authorized by the board of finance.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 456.]

[360.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The town of Middletown, at any special, regular or annual town meeting, may consolidate all of the school districts into one school district, exclusive of the Middletown city school district.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 647.]

[361.]

AN ACT CLOSING A PORTION OF THE HIGHWAY ESTABLISHED
BY THE GENERAL COURT IN THE TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The portion of the highway established by the general court in what is now the town of East Hartford, in the year 1692, running from the Connecticut river to the upland, now included between Connecticut boulevard on the east and Darlin street on the west and called Ash street, is hereby discontinued.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 645.]

[362.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ROCKVILLE-WILLIMANTIC LIGHT-
ING COMPANY TO ISSUE FIRST AND REFUNDING
MORTGAGE BONDS AND PREFERRED STOCK.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The Rockville-Willimantic Lighting Company is hereby authorized to issue its bonds to an amount not to exceed one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars in all, and secure the same by a first and refunding mortgage upon its property and franchises now owned or hereafter to be acquired, for the purpose of, from time to time, caring for its maturing mortgage indebtedness and debentures, and also such bonds may from time to time be issued for the purpose of financing future extensions and improvements to its property and caring for floating indebtedness. It is also authorized to issue its preferred and common stock to an amount not exceeding the face value of the bonds outstanding. Such first and refunding mortgage bonds shall run for such period of time and bear such rate of interest and contain such terms and conditions, and the preferred stock shall have such preferences as to dividends and security as the directors of the company may deem to be for the best interests of the corporation.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 642.]

[363.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF PONEMAH MILLS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Ponemah Mills, a corporation located in the town of Norwich, shall have all the powers and rights granted or permitted to corporations organized under the provisions of the general statutes as to the issue, increase, reduction, retirement, withdrawal and distribution of capital stock of whatever class, or the shares thereof; as to converting any class of stock into another; as to acquiring, purchasing or holding its own stock of any class and as to fixing or changing the kinds, par value, classes, voting powers and any other rights of its capital stock or the rights, preferences and provisions of any class thereof; provided, in exercising such rights, said corporation shall comply with and conform to the procedure and conditions specified in like cases by the general statutes.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

 [Substitute for Senate Bill No. 295.]

[364.]

AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN HIGHWAYS AFFECTING THE STATE PIER IN THE CITY OF NEW LONDON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The following-described highways in the city of New London are hereby discontinued: Sixteenth street, from near the foot of Winthrop street, beginning at a line across said Winthrop street at right angles to Winthrop street distant one hundred twenty-two and four-tenths feet southerly from the center of the sewer manhole at the intersection of the sewers on Harrison and Winthrop streets; said line being also about seventy-two and five-tenths feet southerly from a bolt driven in the ground at the southwest corner of the property now or formerly owned by the James Halpin estate, to the division line between the land of the state of Connecticut and the Nameaug boat club; Sixth street, from the westerly side of the tracks of the Central Vermont Railway Company to its easterly terminus; Twelfth street, from Congdon street to the easterly line of the property of the state of Connecticut where it intersects the northerly line of said Twelfth street; Eighth and Tenth streets, from Congdon street to the easterly line of the property of the state of Connecticut; Congdon street, for its full length; provided

such discontinuance shall not impair the right of the city of New London, its successors or assigns, to construct and maintain sewer and water pipes, with all necessary or convenient appurtenances thereto, in, through and over said discontinued streets, or the right of said city, its successors and assigns, by its servants and agents, to enter upon said discontinued streets at any and all times, in a reasonable manner, according to the needs of said city, to maintain, repair, relay, enlarge and extend such sewers and water pipes and appurtenances or to substitute others therefor and to make connections therewith; provided, if there shall, at any time be constructed in or over any of said discontinued streets, any tracks, buildings or structures of any kind, and the doing of any work by said city in connection with its sewer or water pipes or their appurtenances as herein provided for, shall reasonably necessitate the removal, alteration, repair, replacement or protection of any such tracks, buildings or structures, any expense in connection therewith in addition to the sum it would have cost said city for such work had not such tracks, buildings or other structures been in or on the land within said discontinued streets, shall be paid by the commissioners of rivers, harbors and bridges, which expense may be recovered by said city from said commissioners by a civil action brought to the superior court for New London county, in the same manner provided hereinafter for any landowner sustaining special damage.

SEC. 2. Any landowner sustaining special damage to his property through the discontinuance of any of the aforesaid highways may bring a civil action to recover damages sustained, against the commissioners of rivers, harbors and bridges, to the superior court for New London county. No such action shall be brought except within one year from the taking effect of this act. The complaint in such action shall be served upon the chairman of the commissioners of rivers, harbors and bridges, and upon the attorney general, who shall represent the commissioners and the state of Connecticut in such action. Such action shall be tried to the court, and if the court shall find for the plaintiff, the amount of the judgment rendered therein, with costs, shall, upon the filing with the comptroller of a certified copy of such judgment, be paid by the state out of the contingent fund, but no costs or judgment fee in any such action shall be taxed against the defendants as individuals nor shall the defendants be liable as individuals on said judgment.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 644.]

[365.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
CONCERNING THE LAYOUT OF PUBLIC WORKS
AND APPEALS THEREFROM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of an act in relation to appraisals and assessments in the city of Hartford, approved March 19, 1877, as amended by an act amending the charter of the city of Hartford concerning the layout of public works and appeals therefrom, approved May 7, 1917, is amended to read as follows: Before any public work or improvement, for the cost of which in whole or in part the city of Hartford under its charter may assess benefits, shall be laid out or constructed, the cost of the same, including damages to be paid, shall be ascertained by the court of common council of said city, and all benefits to be paid by the persons benefited thereby, shall be ascertained as follows: The vote or resolution proposing the laying out or construction of such work or improvement shall be, by said court of common council, referred to the board of street commissioners of said city, who shall first estimate the cost of the construction of such work or improvement, and shall also appraise the damages to be paid to any person for land, or any interest therein, taken for such improvement, and shall also assess the cost of construction, and the amount of said damages upon the persons benefited thereby in the manner now provided by the charter and ordinances of said city, and from the proceedings of said board any party claiming to be aggrieved by the award of damages or assessment of benefits may take an appeal to the judge of the court of common pleas for the county of Hartford, in the time and manner now by law provided, but such appeal shall not necessitate delay in the action of the court of common council in laying out, altering or making such public work or improvement, or in the actual execution thereof, and said judge, on appeal, may inquire into the validity of all the proceedings on which said assessment is based, and may review and set aside, modify or affirm the same, and to facilitate such inquiry may permit or require amendments to the appeals or other pleadings.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall not apply to any appeal taken prior to January 1, 1921, but shall apply to all appeals taken thereafter which are pending at the time of the passage of this act.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[House Bill No. 818.]

[366.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SCOTT INVESTMENT COMPANY
TO CONSTRUCT SEA-WALLS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Scott Investment Company, a corporation existing under the laws of this state and located in the town of New London, its successors and assigns, are authorized to construct and maintain sea-walls or bulk-heads around the island situated in the waters of New London harbor known as White Rock Island, now the property of said The Scott Investment Company, so as to inclose an area bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of White Rock island extending in a line south, twenty-five degrees west, for a distance of one hundred and forty feet; thence at an angle of one hundred and twenty-three degrees in a southeasterly direction for a distance of two hundred and forty-two feet; thence at an angle of eighty-nine degrees in a northeasterly direction for a distance of two hundred and forty-two feet; thence at an angle of eighty-one degrees in a northwesterly direction for a distance of one hundred and eighty feet; thence at an angle of one hundred and fifty degrees in a westerly direction for a distance of one hundred and sixty-five feet to the point of beginning, making an angle of ninety-seven degrees with line extending south, twenty-five degrees west, as first mentioned; and to fill in and grade said area as said The Scott Investment Company, its successors and assigns, shall deem expedient, and the space so filled in or to be filled in as aforesaid is granted to said The Scott Investment Company, its successors and assigns forever; provided said filling in and said sea-walls shall not impede public navigation.

Approved, June 2, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 991.]

[367.]

**AN ACT INCORPORATING THE SACHEM'S HEAD PROPERTY
OWNERS' ASSOCIATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All the proprietors of real estate within and all duly registered electors residing within the limits hereinafter specified in the locality known as Sachem's Head, in the town of Guilford, New Haven county, are constituted a body corporate by the name of The Sachem's

Head Property Owners' Association, and by that name they and their successors shall be a corporation in law, capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, in all courts, and of borrowing money to carry out the purposes of said association, and of issuing bonds either registered or with coupons attached, or other obligations therefor, negotiable or non-negotiable, payable serially and at such annual rate of interest not exceeding six per centum, payable annually or semi-annually, as it shall determine, and if it desire to redeem said bonds or other obligations by the issue of new bonds or other obligations, negotiable or non-negotiable, it shall have power to do so, provided the amount so borrowed, or the amount of bonds or other obligations so issued, shall not exceed five per centum of the total value of the real estate within said association, as shown by the assessment list hereinafter provided for, and said amount shall be obligatory upon said association, and its members, but no such bonds or other obligations shall be issued unless the executive board be so authorized by The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association, by a two-thirds vote of the members present or represented at any annual or special meeting; and also of purchasing or otherwise acquiring, improving, holding and conveying any estate, real or personal. Said association may take any land, easement therein or rights appurtenant thereto, situated within the limits of said association, as hereinafter specified, when required by said association for the purpose of fire protection or for the purpose of establishing, constructing or maintaining sewers or sewage disposal plants, upon paying to the owner thereof just compensation. If said association fails to agree with said owner upon the amount of compensation to be paid therefor, it may bring its petition to the superior court for New Haven county in which said association is situated, praying that such compensation may be determined, and shall proceed in the same manner as provided in section 5186 of the general statutes for the taking of land by towns. Said association shall pay the members of the committee mentioned in said section a reasonable compensation for their services, to be taxed by said court. Said association shall have a common seal, with the privilege of altering it at pleasure.

SEC. 2. The object of said association shall be to provide for the improvement of the lands in said district, and for the health, comfort, protection and convenience of persons living therein.

SEC. 3. The limits and territory of said association are hereby defined and established as follows: Beginning at a point on the east shore of Joshua cove, which point is in a direct line with the north line of the highway leading to Uncas point; thence easterly in a straight line along the north line of said highway to its intersection with the west line of the main road from Guilford to Sachem's Head; thence northerly along the west line of said main road about three hundred and fifty feet to its intersection with the north line of Old Quarry road, this point being opposite the property of Walter B. Davis; thence south-

easterly in a direct line which, if extended, would pass through a point twenty-five feet north of the northeast corner of the dwelling house owned by Imogene and Julia Adele Newhall to the westerly extremity of the land of the said Newhalls at a point marked by a stone monument; thence easterly in a straight line to the highway known as East road at a point thereon about two hundred feet north of the easterly entrance to said Newhall house where said East road is joined by a stone wall which runs westerly therefrom; thence continuing in a straight line across the East road to the east side thereof at a point marked by a stone monument; thence southerly along the east line of said East road to a stone monument at the intersection of said East road with the road to Vineyard point; thence from said monument due south to Long Island sound; thence westerly along the Long Island sound shore line as it bends and turns to the point of beginning on the east short of Joshua cove. Said district is shown on "Map of Sachem's Head, Guilford, Conn., showing the Property Owners' Association District," made by Max J. Unkelbach, C. E., dated March, 1921, to be filed in the office of the clerk of the town of Guilford. The limits and territory of said The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association may be extended at any time so as to include any other land in the town of Guilford adjacent to that above described, upon written application of the owner or owners of such other land, in an instrument describing the same and the terms of such proposed annexation, provided such application is accepted by a two-thirds vote of the members present or represented at any annual or special meeting of said association. If such application shall be thus accepted it shall be recorded on the records of said association and in the land records of the town of Guilford, and thereupon such other land shall be incorporated within the limits and territory of said association and the owner or owners of such other land, while they are owners thereof, shall be a part of said body politic and corporate.

SEC. 4. Every member of the association of the age of twenty-one years or over, so long as he or she continues to own real estate within the limits of said association, or not being an owner of real estate, continues to be an elector of the town of Guilford, residing within the limits of said association, shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of said association, and any person of such age, being a member or holding a proxy from a member, shall be eligible to any office provided for in this act. Any member may, by writing signed and filed with the clerk, authorize any person to act for and vote in his or her place at any meeting, and such writing once filed with the clerk shall hold valid for the year in which it is filed unless earlier revoked in writing.

SEC. 5. The first meeting of said association shall be held between the fifteenth and thirty-first days of July, 1921, inclusive, at such time and place within the limits of said The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association as the following persons, or a majority of them, shall appoint: E. B. Walden, H. C. Noble, Franklin A. Ryan, Warren F.

Goodwin, Robert C. Mitchell, Oscar G. Pouch, Robert B. Seward, Henry Trumbull and Walter S. Schutz. Said meeting shall be held for the purpose of electing an executive board to consist of nine members of said association, or their proxies as provided in section four, who shall hold office until the first day of October, 1922, or until others shall be chosen in their places. Notices of the time and place appointed for said first meeting shall be signed by at least five of the above named persons and shall be sent by mail to each member of the association at least five days before the time appointed for said meeting. Said executive board shall be elected by ballot and the polls for the election of said executive board shall be open at half-past seven in the evening and remain open until half-past eight of the same evening. Annual meetings of the association shall thereafter be held on the Monday after the first Wednesday in August at such hour and place within said district as the executive board shall select, and such executive board shall be elected annually at such meeting. Special meetings of said association may be held and warned in such manner as the by-laws may prescribe; provided the notice shall specify the object for which any such meeting is to be held. Not less than twelve of the members of the association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meeting.

SEC. 6. Notices of the annual and of all special meetings of the association shall be signed by the president or by the vice-president or by two other members of the executive board, and may be given by mail or personally. In case they are given by mail, written notice of the time and place of such meeting shall be sent at least three days before the time appointed, by letter mailed in New Haven county and addressed to each member of said association, at Sachem's Head, or at such address, if any, as may have been registered by such voter with the clerk of the association. If no such address be registered with said clerk, it shall be conclusive evidence that the mailing to such member at Sachem's Head of any notice called for or given under or by virtue of the charter or by-laws of The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association, shall be a sufficient delivery of such notice. Personal notice may be given by leaving with such member a written notice of the time and place of meeting, at least three days before the time appointed.

SEC. 7. The executive board shall hold its first regular meeting in each year on the evening of the Monday next following the annual meeting of the association, and notice of the time and place of meeting shall be given by the clerk of the association in the manner hereinafter provided; and said board shall at said meeting elect by ballot from its own members a president, vice-president, treasurer and clerk of said association, who shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the executive board or until their successors shall be elected, and they shall also be president, vice-president, treasurer and clerk of said executive board. The duties of each of these officers shall be defined by the by-

laws of said association. In case of death or resignation of any member of the executive board or of any officer of the association, such vacancy may be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by ballot of the executive committee at a meeting duly called for the purpose. It shall be the duty of such president or clerk, on the signed written request of any four members of said board, to call a meeting of said board. Notices of such meeting shall be given by leaving with or at the usual place of abode of each member a written notice signed by said president or clerk, specifying the time and place of such meeting, or by sending such notices by mail at least twenty-four hours before said meeting. A majority of said executive board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting thereof.

SEC. 8. The executive board shall have the care, custody and management of all funds and property of the association and, when assembled according to law, shall have power to make regulations for the management and control of such property and its transfer and conveyance; also to make regulations concerning the time and place of meetings of said executive board and of said association, so far as they are not inconsistent with any of the special provisions of this act; also to regulate the method of assessment and collection of taxes for association purposes; and also to prescribe the duties and compensation of all officers and employees of the association. The president, vice-president, clerk and treasurer shall serve without compensation, except that they shall receive their actual expenses; but the executive board may authorize the clerk and treasurer, or either of them, to employ assistants, to whom compensation may be paid. The amount thereof shall be determined by the executive board.

SEC. 9. Said executive board shall possess power, when legally assembled, to pass, amend or repeal by-laws, regulations and ordinances to accomplish the objects specified in section two of this act, and particularly for the purpose of maintenance of a fire department and fire apparatus and for the establishment of wells or cisterns, and water-works for use in case of fire or for domestic use; and for the purpose of establishing, constructing, operating and maintaining piers, wharves, sea-walls, breakwaters and sewage and garbage disposal plants, and establishing, constructing, operating and maintaining sewage and garbage systems, which establishment or construction shall not be undertaken unless said executive board be so authorized by The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association, by a two-thirds vote of the members present or represented at any annual or special meeting, and to make rules for their preservation and safe-keeping; to regulate the erection of all lamp-posts and telegraph, telephone and electric light posts and the wires and fixtures thereof; to provide for the public lighting, oiling and watering of the streets within the limits of said association; to regulate the planting, removal, protection and preservation of trees in the streets, to keep the streets and all public places within the limits

of said association quiet and free from all undue noise and to prohibit the crying of newspapers and other wares on Sunday or at any unusual hours upon the streets of said association; to regulate the parking of vehicles in the streets and public places; to regulate the observance of the Fourth of July and any other holiday, to the end that undue noise may be prevented and the fire hazard diminished; to regulate and prohibit the running of animals at large within said district; to prevent and summarily abate every kind of nuisance and public annoyance; to regulate the handling and storage of inflammable and dangerous liquids and explosives; to regulate the use and construction of cesspools, drains, sewers and privies and the place and method of discharge of the same; to regulate and prevent the use of pig-pens and the deposit of rubbish within the limits of said association; to compel the removal from any place in said association of all nuisances injurious to health or offensive or annoying to the public, at the expense of the owner of the premises where such nuisance exists; to prevent and regulate the removal and manner of removal of any offensive manure, swill, nightsoil, or other substance upon the streets of said association; to prevent and regulate the carrying on within said association limits of any business prejudicial to public health or dangerous to or constituting an unreasonable annoyance to those living or owning property in the vicinity thereof; to regulate the naming of public streets; to establish building lines and regulate the construction of buildings; and said executive board may also prescribe fines and penalties for a violation of any such by-laws, ordinances or regulations, not exceeding ten dollars for any one offense, and the penalties may be recovered, in any proper action brought for that purpose in the name of The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association before any court having jurisdiction, for the use and benefit of said association; and the violation of any such by-law or ordinance imposing a fine shall be a misdemeanor, and may be prosecuted by a grand juror or prosecuting attorney of the town of Guilford, as in other criminal cases.

SEC. 10. The executive board shall have control of all sidewalks, cross-walks and foot-paths in the streets of said association and may order the owner or owners of any land fronting on any highway within the limits of said association to construct or repair sidewalks, curbs or gutters within the highway adjacent to said land, of the kind, in the manner, and in the time specified in said order, at such grade as may have been established in said highway. Notice of such order shall be signed and served in the same manner as prescribed for notices of meetings of the association. In case any land affected by any such order or by any assessment or tax shall be holden by two or more persons jointly, or two or more persons shall have different estates therein, said executive board may apportion between such persons the expense of carrying out such order or the amount of such assessment or tax. If any such owner shall neglect or refuse to comply with such order, said

executive board may cause the work required by said order to be done and the expense so incurred shall, from the time when said work is begun, be and continue a lien in favor of said association upon said land, and may be collected by suit or foreclosure in the name of said association. Said board may pass by-laws in relation to the keeping of said sidewalks free from obstructions, to be enforced in the same manner as provided in section nine.

SEC. 11. Said executive board shall have power to establish building and veranda lines both in front and in rear, outside of which line no building or part of a building shall be permitted after the establishment of such line, but such building line shall not affect permanent structures existing at the time of the passage of this act. Said executive board, before establishing any building line, shall cause notice thereof, and of the time set for a hearing thereon, to be signed and served in the manner prescribed for notices of meetings of said association, upon all owners of land to be affected by said proposed building line. Said board, after hearing, may determine the benefits and damages due to each of said owners by reason of the establishment of such building line, and, in case the damages shall exceed the benefits, such excess of damages shall be paid by said association. If the benefits shall be found to exceed the damages, said excess of benefits over damages shall be paid by said land owner to said association. The amount of said excess shall be a lien in favor of said association upon the land affected by said order from the time of the determination of said amount and the service of notice thereof upon said owners in the manner hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 12. Any party who may be aggrieved by any order of the executive board, making any assessment of benefits or damages, or requiring the construction of any sidewalk, curb or gutter, or the payment of any part of the expense thereof, may appeal therefrom in the manner prescribed in sections 475, 476, 477 and '478 of the general statutes, and with like effect.

SEC. 13. Said executive board shall constitute and be a board of health of said association, and shall have, within the limits of said association, all the power given by law to town, city and borough health officers, except in relation to contagious diseases, and may appoint a health officer, who shall serve without pay and who, under the direction of said health board, shall have the authority given by law to, and shall discharge all duties imposed by law upon, health officers of towns, except in relation to contagious diseases. Said executive board or said health officer may order any person, boat, vessel or vehicle which he has reasonable grounds to believe to be infected with or to have been exposed to any malignant, infectious or contagious disease, into confinement in a place to be designated by him, there to remain until examined or inspected by the health officer of the town of Guilford and until such order be revoked by said Guilford health officer. Within a reasonable

time after any such order has been issued, said executive board or said health officer shall report in writing to said Guilford health officer that such order has been issued, the reasons therefor, and, if known, the names and local addresses of the persons so ordered, and the names and local addresses of the persons owning or in charge of, and a brief description of, any such boat, vessel or vehicle. Said board of health may make and cause to be executed orders necessary for the promotion of health of the inhabitants of said association, provided such orders shall not be inconsistent with the laws of this state or of the United States; and if any person shall fail to obey any order of said board of health, upon receipt of written notice, signed by the health officer, the board of health shall have the right to cause such order to be carried out at the expense of such persons, and for such purpose the members of said board may, personally or by their health officers, or by their duly appointed agent, enter upon and into all lands and buildings in said association; and the expense of carrying out such order may be recovered against such person by any proper action in the name of said association.

SEC. 14. Said executive board may appoint police officers to act within the limits of said association, who shall have all the powers of constables within said district, for the purpose of making arrests for violation of law or of the regulations and by-laws of said association, and said executive board may fix the compensation of such police officers.

SEC. 15. Said executive board shall establish a public sign-post within the limits of said The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association, and may make, establish and adopt forms of orders and notices to be used under this act.

SEC. 16. No by-law or ordinance shall take effect or be enforced until the same has been posted for at least three days on the public sign-post of said association; nor shall any by-law or ordinance take effect until fifteen days after its passage. A certificate of the clerk of said association of the due posting of any by-law or ordinance shall be prima facie evidence of such posting.

SEC. 17. Said executive board shall not, within any year, incur any pecuniary liability exceeding in amount six mills on the dollar of the assessed value of the real estate within said The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association, as appears by the assessment list hereinafter provided for. Nothing contained in this section shall prevent said association from borrowing money and issuing bonds or other obligations, as set forth in section one hereof.

SEC. 18. It shall be the duty of the clerk of said board, on or before the first day of June of each year, to prepare an assessment list of all the real estate in said district, including therein the value of the houses, buildings and improvements thereon, placing in the name of each member of the association such land, buildings and improvements as are assessed to such member on the last assessment list of the town

of Guilford, at the value at which they stand assessed on said assessment list. Where any piece of land so assessed on the list of the town of Guilford shall be partly within and partly without said district, said clerk shall assess said part within the district in the proportion which the part within the district bears to the whole tract so assessed, using his best judgment as to such value. Said clerk shall, on or before the fifth day of June, report said list to the executive board, which shall revise said list, and if said board shall find in any particular it does not correspond with the last assessment list of the town of Guilford, or if said board shall find that there are any errors in the proportional valuation of such parts of any piece of property as are partly within and partly without the territory of said The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association, said board shall correct the same, and said list, when so revised and if necessary corrected, shall be adopted by said executive board and shall then be and constitute the assessment list for said The Sachem's Head Property Owners' Association. Said list shall be so revised and completed and recorded by the clerk in the books of the association, on or before the fifth day of July, and said assessment list shall be open to inspection by any member of the association.

SEC. 19. Any person claiming to be aggrieved by any such proportional valuation by said board may appeal to the superior court in the manner provided by the general statutes for appeals from boards of relief.

SEC. 20. The executive board, on or before the fifteenth day of July, annually, may lay a tax, for the purposes hereinbefore specified, not exceeding six mills on the dollar of the total value of said real estate as shown by the assessment list hereinbefore provided for, and shall appoint a collector to collect such tax, and rate bills shall be made out and signed by two of the officers of said board, and warrants may be issued for the collection of money due on such rate bills, pursuant to the provisions of section 1278 of the general statutes.

SEC. 21. Written notice of the rate of such tax and of the amount apportioned to each member of the association shall be sent by the clerk of the executive board within ten days from the laying of said tax, and said tax shall be due and payable within thirty days from the sending of such notice, and if such tax be not paid when due, it shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from the date when it was so payable. The collector shall have all the power of collectors of town taxes and shall be accountable to the executive board in the same manner as town collectors are accountable to selectmen, and shall pay over the taxes as soon as collected to the treasurer of the association. Every such tax shall be a lien upon the property upon which it shall be laid for one year from the time of the laying of said tax, and may be collected by suit in the name of said association, or by foreclosure of said lien. Said lien may be continued by certificate to

be recorded in the land records of the town of Guilford, pursuant to the provisions of section 1308 of the general statutes.

SEC. 22. The executive board may, by a two-thirds vote of those present at any meeting, abate the taxes assessed as aforesaid upon any such person or persons as, in the opinion of said board, are not able to pay the same, or whose property is not benefited by the objects for which said taxes are assessed, causing a proper entry of such abatement to be made upon the records of the executive board.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 998.]

[368.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF
STRATFORD TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION
OF TRUNK SEWERS AND A SEWAGE
DISPOSAL PLANT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of an act authorizing the town of Stratford to issue bonds for the construction of trunk sewers and a sewage disposal plant, approved May 16, 1917, is amended to read as follows: The town of Stratford, acting by its board of finance, is authorized, in the name and upon the credit of the town, to issue, from time to time, in the discretion of said board, serial bonds, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than five and one-half per centum per annum. Said bonds shall be dated July 1, 1921, and beginning July 1, 1924, shall be redeemed at the rate of at least ten thousand dollars per annum.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 995.]

[369.]

AN ACT RAISING A COMMISSION ON UNIFORMITY OF
MUNICIPAL CHARTERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The governor is authorized to appoint a commission of five persons, who shall investigate and report to the next general assembly concerning the advisability of uniform town, borough and city charters, with recommendations and suggestions as to the form of such charter and legislation in connection therewith.

SEC. 2. The members of said commission shall serve without compensation. Said commission shall incur only such expense as the board of control shall authorize, and the comptroller shall draw his order on the treasurer for the payment of such sums.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 985.]

[370.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ELECTION OF A TOWN SCHOOL
COMMITTEE OF MERIDEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. After the first Monday of October, 1921, there shall be a board of education in the town of Meriden, consisting of five members, who shall constitute the school committee of the town of Meriden, whose duties shall be the same as now provided by law.

SEC. 2. At the regular town election of the town of Meriden in October, 1921, there shall be elected from the qualified voters of the town of Meriden five members of the school board whose terms of office shall be as follows: The candidate receiving the largest number of votes at said election shall hold office for a term of six years; the two candidates receiving the next largest number of votes shall hold office for a term of four years; and the two candidates receiving the next largest number of votes shall hold office for two years, next after their election and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Biennially there shall be nominated from said qualified electors, by any of the political parties, the same number of candidates for said school committee as there are vacancies occurring in such years, and the candidate or candidates, as the case may be, receiving the largest numbers of votes shall be declared elected for a like term. At such elections each elector shall vote for not more than the number of members of said committee to be elected.

SEC. 3. The present school committee of twelve members of the town of Meriden shall be terminated and cease to exist as a committee on the first Monday of October, 1921.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 640.]

[371.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE PUTNAM LIGHT
AND POWER COMPANY.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. Section two of the resolution authorizing The Putnam Light and Power Company to distribute and sell electricity in the town of Woodstock, approved April 6, 1911, is amended to read as follows: The powers and privileges hereinbefore granted to said The Putnam Light and Power Company shall be subject to the control of the public utilities commission, or any other like commission or tribunal hereafter constituted by the general assembly, in accordance with the laws relating to electric light and power companies.

SEC. 2. Any person living within the limits of the town of Woodstock shall be entitled to have and use electricity from the lines and works of said corporation upon paying a reasonable compensation therefor, subject to the determination by the public utilities commission of rates and necessity of service as provided by the laws relating to electric light and power companies.

SEC. 3. Upon acceptance of this amendment by the said The Putnam Light and Power Company, said resolution authorizing The Putnam Light and Power Company to distribute and sell electricity in the town of Woodstock, approved April 6, 1911, as amended by this act shall be construed as an amendment to the charter of the said The Putnam Light and Power Company.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 218]

[372.]

AN ACT CONCERNING NEW HAVEN HARBOR
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. On or before July 1, 1921, the governor shall appoint a commission to be known as the development commission of New Haven Harbor, which shall be composed of five members, at least two of whom shall be electors of the city and town of New Haven, and at least one an elector of the town of Orange; all of whom shall serve without compensation.

SEC. 2. Said commission shall inquire into and, on or before October 1, 1922, present a report, addressed to the governor and the general assembly, upon the facilities of New Haven harbor, making such recommendations as may be deemed advisable for the future development thereof with a view to the prompt and efficient handling of passengers and all classes of freight, the construction of permanent works and the probable expense thereof. Said commission shall also inquire into and report upon the question of the aid of such project by the federal government and the amount, if any, to be available.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1017.]

[373.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE REPAYMENT OF TAX TO THE
DANIELSON AND PLAINFIELD GAS AND
ELECTRIC COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of the Danielson and Plainfield Gas and Electric Company for the sum of one thousand five hundred and eighty-six dollars and three cents, for overpayment of tax.

Approved, June 7, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1023.]

[374.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE CHOATE SCHOOL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. George C. St. John and Clara S. St. John of Wallingford, Charles G. Morris of New Haven, and Shiras Morris and Anson T. McCook of Hartford, and such other persons as may be associated with them, not to exceed at any one time fifteen in the aggregate, are constituted a body politic and corporate, without capital stock, under the name of The Choate School, such corporation to be located in the town of Wallingford, and by that name shall have perpetual succession and shall possess such other rights and powers as pertain to corporations without capital stock in this state, including the right to sue and be sued, adopt and alter a common seal, and make, alter and repeal by-laws and regulations for the conduct of its business and affairs. The above-named incorporators or a majority of them are authorized to call

the first meeting of this corporation for the purpose of choosing additional incorporators, adopting by-laws, electing trustees and otherwise effecting an organization.

SEC. 2. The objects of this corporation shall be to advance the education of boys and young men and, through their association together in a school possessing traditions of learning and religion, to stimulate in them sound scholarship, physical vigor, manliness and uprightness of character. To that end this corporation is authorized and empowered to acquire, maintain, develop and conduct in said town, a school with the property and appurtenances thereof; to make suitable provision for the board, lodging, work, health, recreation, activities and other needs of teachers, students and employees; to create and administer retirement, pension or insurance funds for them; to acquire, hold and use every kind of property appropriate to the business and purposes of an academy or school, or calculated to further the moral, mental or physical welfare of its students, the community or the public; to enroll, dismiss, instruct and care for students for compensation or without; and in general to do all things necessary, incidental or suitable to the establishment, acquisition, development and operation of a school or academy for the education of boys and young men.

SEC. 3. Without limitation upon its other rights, this corporation is authorized to acquire by purchase or otherwise from The Choate School, Incorporated, that school for boys and young men known as The Choate School located in the town of Wallingford, with all of its property, assets and appurtenances of every nature and description, to assume any or all of said school's or said corporation's indebtedness and obligations as the trustees of this corporation may deem wise, and to operate, maintain, continue and develop said school. After such acquisition, any and all gifts, bequests and devises which have been or shall be made to or for the use of said school or said The Choate School, Incorporated, or in trust for either, shall be deemed to have been made to or for the use of or in trust for this corporation.

SEC. 4. For the more effective carrying out of its purposes, this corporation is also authorized, without limiting its rights and powers under the corporation laws of this state, from time to time to receive or acquire by lease, purchase, gift, grant, devise, bequest or in any other manner, and to hold, invest, reinvest and otherwise use, any and all funds, property and estate, real and personal, of whatsoever nature and wheresoever situate; to sell, exchange, transfer, convey, lease, mortgage and otherwise encumber or dispose of any or all of the same; to borrow money, and issue notes and execute mortgages to secure the same; to receive, hold and administer trust funds and endowments for its uses, purposes and benefits; and to have and enjoy such other rights and privileges as may further its efficiency and usefulness.

SEC. 5. The incorporators shall have authority to fill vacancies from time to time existing in their number by a majority vote of all

the remaining incorporators or as otherwise provided in the by-laws. All meetings of the corporation shall be called in such manner and held at such times and upon such notice and under such regulations as the by-laws may prescribe. At such meetings each incorporator shall be entitled to one vote, in person or by written proxy to another incorporator.

SEC. 6. The property and affairs of this corporation shall be managed by the incorporators until by-laws shall have been adopted and trustees elected, and thereafter by not less than seven nor more than fifteen trustees, whose number, several terms of office and method of election or succession shall be as provided in the by-laws.

SEC. 7. The trustees and their successors shall be vested with all the authority given the corporation herein. They shall elect the officers of the corporation, appoint a headmaster on such terms and with such duties as they may prescribe, be responsible for the management and control of its funds, property, business and affairs, and determine the policies of the school. They may delegate all or any of their authority from time to time to a portion of their number not less than three, selected by them as an executive committee or governing board; they may likewise delegate to any officer of the corporation or to the headmaster any and such specific powers, authorities and duties as they may deem for its best interests.

SEC. 8. By a three-fourths vote of the incorporators and a like vote of the trustees the corporation may dissolve. Upon such dissolution, any surplus funds or other property remaining after the discharge of all its legal obligations shall be devoted to such philanthropic or public purposes of an educational nature as will in the judgment of the trustees, as determined by a majority vote of the board, most nearly perpetuate or carry out the wishes of the school's benefactors.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1014.]

[375.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE THIRD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
THE TOWN OF BRISTOL TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Third School District of the town of Bristol is authorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. Five thousand dollars of the principal of such bonds shall be payable not later than two years from the date of issuing the same and five thousand dollars each year thereafter until the whole of said principal is paid, and the

funds raised from the sale of such bonds shall be used and expended for the purposes of said district.

SEC. 2. Said district shall, at its first annual meeting or at a meeting to be specially warned and held for such purpose, prescribe, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, the form, condition and reservations of the same, the rate of interest thereon, not exceeding the rate aforesaid, the time and place of paying such interest and principal, and the person or persons who shall execute the same for and on behalf of said district. Such bonds, when executed, issued and delivered by said district, and by its officer or officers, agent or agents, duly appointed by said district, shall be obligatory upon said district and upon the inhabitants thereof, according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of the bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1002.]

[376.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF
NEW HAVEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. When a member of the police force of the city of New Haven shall have been retired in pursuance of the provisions of section seventy-nine of an act amending the charter of the city of New Haven, approved May 31, 1921, he shall be entitled to receive from the policemen's relief fund of the department during his lifetime, unless said vote is annulled by unanimous vote of the council, an annual sum, payable monthly, equal to one-half of the sum of his previous compensation per annum.

SEC. 2. Any member of the police department of said city who has passed sixty years of age may, after twenty-five years of continuous service in the department, upon his application to the council, be permanently retired from all duty in said department, and may thereafter be entitled to receive from the policemen's relief fund of the department, during his lifetime, an annual sum, payable monthly, equal to one-half of his previous compensation per annum while a member of the regular force.

SEC. 3. Any officer or member of the fire department of the city of New Haven, who has or shall have performed duty therein for a period of twenty-five years or upwards, may, upon his own application in writing, or at any time upon the certificate of the surgeon of such department or such other surgeon as shall be designated by the council, showing that such member is permanently disabled, physically or mentally, so as to be unfit for duty, be by the council retired and dismissed from said service, and placed on the pension list, and shall be awarded an annual pension, to be paid in monthly instalments, during his lifetime, of a sum to be fixed by the council of not less than one-half the full salary or compensation of such members so retired. The pensions granted under this section shall be for the natural life of the pensioner, and shall not be revoked, repealed or diminished; provided no member having a right to retire on pension at the time this act takes effect shall be deprived of such right by reason of his remaining a member of said fire department, or of anything in this act contained.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect on the first day of January, 1922, provided the electors of the city of New Haven shall, at the special election to be held in said city on the fourteenth day of June, 1921, approve said act approved May 31, 1921, revising the charter of the city of New Haven. If said act shall not be approved by the electors of said city, this act shall be of no effect.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 5.]

[377.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE HARTFORD BRANCH
OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section two of an act incorporating The Hartford Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions, approved March 15, 1887, is amended to read as follows: Said corporation shall have all and the same powers as corporations without capital stock organized under the general laws of this state.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 353.]

[378.]

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR BINDING VOLUME XVIII OF THE
SPECIAL LAWS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The secretary is authorized to bind fifteen hundred copies of the special laws of 1919, with the same number of special laws of the present session, with suitable index, making volume XVIII of special laws, and the comptroller shall draw his order on the treasurer for the payment therefor and for clerical services in preparation of index, and the same shall be paid from any money specifically appropriated for that purpose, or from the amount appropriated for printing and circulating public documents.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 251.]

[379.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE EASTERN
CONNECTICUT POWER COMPANY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section four of an act entitled, "An Act authorizing the Shore Line Electric Railway Company to sell Certain Rights and Property to The Eastern Connecticut Power Company," approved May 8, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The capital stock of said The Eastern Connecticut Power Company shall be, as at present, five thousand shares of preferred stock and ten thousand shares of common stock, each of the par value of one hundred dollars, and said corporation, subject to the provisions of the general statutes, is authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time to a number of shares not to exceed one hundred thousand, each of the par value of one hundred dollars, to be paid for in cash or its equivalent, and may divide said stock into two or more classes, subject to such terms, conditions and limitations as the stockholders may authorize and direct.

Sec. 2. Said The Eastern Connecticut Power Company, subject to the approval of the public utilities commission, and upon a finding by said commission that said company is not violating and has not violated the restrictions in its charter regarding the transmission and sale of electricity generated outside of the state, and subject to the statutes of this state in such cases made and provided, is authorized and empowered

to build at any time before the rising of the next general assembly a transmission line either overhead or underground, over or under streams, through public highways and grounds, and over private rights of ways, from some convenient place southerly of the town of Pomfret, from its present transmission line running from Norwich to the Massachusetts state line to connect with the transmission line of the Hartford Electric Light Company at Manchester, Connecticut, and to sell and deliver to said Hartford Electric Light Company or to buy and take from said Hartford Electric Light Company, electricity.

SEC. 3. All restrictions in the charter of said The Eastern Connecticut Power Company as to the transmission of electricity generated outside of the state over its lines shall apply to said transmission line whether or not the ownership shall remain in said company.

Approved June 3, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 380]

[380.]

AN ACT TERMINATING THE CORPORATE EXISTENCE OF
THE AMERICAN BALLOON COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The corporate existence of the American Balloon Company, a corporation organized under the laws of this state and located in the town of Meriden, is hereby dissolved without further action on the part of surviving stockholders of said company or the filing of any further vote, certificate or other document, provided a copy of this act is filed for record with the secretary of the state and the town clerk of the town of Meriden.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 501.]

[381.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE BOZRAH ELECTRIC COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Nathan Gilman and John S. Sullivan of the town of Bozrah and Elisha P. Waterman of the town of Lebanon, with such other persons as may hereafter be associated with them for that purpose, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Bozrah Electric Company, and by that name said corporation shall have all the powers and privileges, and be subject to all the duties,

liabilities and restrictions set forth in all general laws relating to such corporations. The office and principal place of business of said corporation shall be in said town of Bozrah.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to produce, generate and manufacture, by mechanical or other means, and to purchase from sources either without or within said town, and to distribute and sell, within said town of Bozrah and the adjoining town of Lebanon, electricity, electrical current and electrical apparatus, for the purpose of illuminating streets and buildings, and for the purpose of furnishing power and leasing and selling the same to any parties who desire the same in said Bozrah and Lebanon; also to purchase, lease, hold and convey all property and estate, real and personal, necessary or convenient to its business.

SEC. 3. Said corporation is empowered to erect poles, posts and other necessary apparatus in and upon the streets, highways and public places of said Bozrah and Lebanon, so far as it may be necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes for which this charter is granted; also to suspend wires upon poles or posts, and lay down pipes for cables or other proper conductors; and to alter the location of said poles or other apparatus as occasion may require; and to do all things necessary to distribute electricity within the territory hereinbefore specified.

SEC. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall be twenty-five thousand dollars, with the privilege of increasing the same to one hundred thousand dollars at the option of said company, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and certificates of stock shall not be issued until the same shall have been paid for in full, in cash or its equivalent, and shall be transferred in such manner as the by-laws of said corporation shall direct.

SEC. 5. Subscriptions to the capital stock of said company shall be made in such manner and on such terms as a majority of the incorporators named in section one of this act shall prescribe, and when ten per centum of the capital stock has been paid in they may proceed to organize said company, calling for that purpose a meeting of the stockholders, at such time and place and upon such notice as they shall deem proper.

SEC. 6. The affairs of said company shall be managed by a board of not less than three nor more than five directors, who shall be stockholders, and who shall be elected by the stockholders annually.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 186.]

[382.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE HOME TITLE
GUARANTY COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Martin Niland, Joseph H. Connell, Frederick Otto and Virginia Connell, all of Danbury, in the county of Fairfield and state of Connecticut, and all others who shall hereafter become associated with them, and their successors and assigns forever, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Home Title Guaranty Company, to have its principal office in said town of Danbury, and by that name shall be capable in the law to purchase and hold all kinds of property, real, personal and mixed, and the same at pleasure to improve, mortgage, lease, hold and convey; to sue and be sued and plead and be impleaded in the courts of this state and elsewhere; to have and use a common seal and the same to alter at pleasure; to make and carry into effect all such by-laws and regulations as may be expedient for the proper management of the affairs of said corporation, not repugnant to its charter or the laws of this state or of the United States; and generally to do and cause to be done and executed all such acts and things as may seem necessary and proper within the limits aforesaid, for the transaction of its business.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each; and may be increased at any meeting of the stockholders, duly called for that purpose, to any additional sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars. Said corporation may organize whenever the original capital stock thereof shall have been subscribed for, but shall not enter into any contract or guaranty until at least twenty-five thousand dollars of said capital stock shall have been paid for in cash. The remaining shares of stock shall be paid for in such installments and at such times as the directors may determine, and payments on any increase in the capital stock shall be made as aforesaid. The shares in capital stock shall be personal property and transferable only on the books of the company in the manner prescribed in the by-laws, and if any stockholder or any holder of any shares of said capital stock shall neglect or refuse to pay any installments as aforesaid, for a period of sixty days after the same shall have become due and shall have been duly notified thereof, in the manner prescribed in the by-laws of the corporation, the stock of such delinquent may be sold at public auction, and notice of any such sale shall be given at least twenty days prior thereto by publication in one or more newspapers published in said Danbury, and the proceeds of such sale shall be first applied in payment of the installment or install-

ments called for and the expenses attending the sale, and the balance, if any, shall be paid over to such delinquent. Any officer or agent may be appointed by the directors to make such sale, and to transfer and convey such share or shares so sold to the purchaser thereof, and such sale and transfer shall, in all respects, entitle the purchaser to all the rights of a stockholder to the extent of the shares so purchased.

SEC. 3. Said corporation may examine titles to real property and chattels real, wherever situated, guarantee and insure such title, or give certificates of such titles without guaranty; procure and furnish information relative thereto, and make and guarantee the correctness of searches for all instruments, liens or charges affecting the same, and may guarantee and insure the owners of real property and chattels real, and others interested therein, against loss by reason of defective titles thereto, and other incumbrances thereon; and for said purpose may make any contract or agreement with any person or persons or any other corporation organized under the laws of this state or elsewhere for any of the above named objects. Policies of insurance issued by this corporation may be made with or without its seal, and whenever any policy issued by said corporation shall be payable to any married woman, child or children, the discharge of such policy by such married woman or her assigns or by such child or children, or if said children are minors, by their guardian, shall be a valid discharge of the same.

SEC. 4. Said corporation may take charge of, manage and develop any real estate belonging to others, collect the rent, income and profits thereof, and may act as agent of any person, corporation or association in the transaction of real estate business, or in securing loans upon real estate, but shall not engage in any banking or trust business or have power to act as trustee or in any fiduciary capacity except as agent in the care, management and development of real estate as aforesaid.

SEC. 5. In the settlement of any claim arising under any contract or guaranty made by said corporation, such corporation may purchase the real estate mentioned therein and may purchase the real estate or other property at any sale made by virtue of any deed, loan or mortgage made or held by said corporation and may receive and take in satisfaction of any such loan or deed, any real estate or other property and may hold, lease or improve the same at pleasure.

SEC. 6. The property, business and affairs of said corporation shall be under the management of not less than three nor more than nine directors who shall be elected annually by the stockholders and shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

SEC. 7. The annual meeting of the stockholders of said corporation, after the first meeting thereof, held as hereinafter provided, may be held at such time in each year and at such place and upon such notice as the by-laws of said corporation may prescribe.

SEC. 8. Any three of the aforesaid incorporators may, upon reasonable notice, open books for subscriptions to the capital stock of said corporation, and such subscriptions may be received and when the full amount of said original capital stock is subscribed for, may, in like manner, call a stockholders' meeting at which by-laws may be adopted and directors elected. When the directors have been elected as aforesaid, they may organize by the choice of a president, a secretary and a treasurer, who shall hold their respective offices for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[House Bill No. 746.]

[383.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TORRINGTON
ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

A resolution amending the charter of The Torrington Electric Light Company, approved June 22, 1905, is amended by striking out the word "Goshen" wherever the same appears therein.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 918.]

[384.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO JOHN F. DAY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by John F. Day of Meriden by reason of conviction of crime are restored.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 987.]

[385.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE CONNECTICUT COLLEGE
OF PHARMACY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Harvey P. Bissell of Ridgefield, John W. Marsland of New Britain, Herbert M. Lerou of Norwich, John B. Ebbs of Waterbury,

M. Frank Hope of New Haven, Patrick J. Garvin of Middletown, and such other persons as they may associate with them, are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic forever, by the name of The Connecticut College of Pharmacy, and by that name it shall have perpetual succession, with power to contract, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, have and use a common seal, hold and use any estate, real and personal, and the same to lease, sell and convey.

SEC. 2. Said college shall be located in such city in the state of Connecticut as may be provided by the by-laws of said corporation.

SEC. 3. The sole purpose of said corporation shall be to establish, organize, maintain and conduct an institution for the purpose of cultivating, improving and making known the principles of pharmacy, the collateral branches of science and the best modes of preparing medicines and their compounds, and of giving instruction in the same by public lectures.

SEC. 4. The care, control and disposition of the property and funds of said corporation and the general management of its affairs shall be vested in a board of trustees. Said corporation shall have power to adopt by-laws for the government of its affairs, which by-laws shall prescribe the number of the trustees, their term of office and the manner of their election. By-laws may be adopted and repealed or amended by a two-thirds vote of all trustees at any meeting of the trustees duly held upon proper notice; but no alteration of said by-laws shall be made at any meeting unless notice of such proposed amendment shall have been given in the call of said meeting.

SEC. 5. Said corporation shall be organized by the action of the incorporators in adopting by-laws and electing a board of trustees any of whom may be chosen from among the incorporators. Meetings of the incorporators for the purpose of organization may be called by John B. Ebbs, M. Frank Hope and Herbert M. Lerou, by written notice mailed to all of the incorporators, stating the time and place of meeting.

SEC. 6. Said college shall have power, in accordance with its by-laws, to issue certificates of proficiency and attendance, grant diplomas and confer the degrees of Ph.G. (Pharmacy Graduate) and Phar.D. (Doctor of Pharmacy.)

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 184.]

[386.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section forty-six of an act revising the charter of the city of New Britain, approved July 6, 1905, is amended by adding at the

end of said section the following: Said common council shall have power to provide for the convenience and health of the inhabitants of the city in the matter of providing privy vaults and water closets in buildings and the regulations thereof, with power for that purpose to designate the number and location of water closets in any building, except private residences and buildings otherwise regulated by law in regard to said matters; to provide for the regulation, restriction or prohibition of advertising or of placing or carrying advertising signs in the city streets; to provide for the erection of public comfort stations and public parcel rooms and to contract for rental privileges or concessions in connection with the same.

SEC. 2. It shall be lawful for the common council to order the extension or construction of subways in any streets in said city without further authority from the general assembly.

SEC. 3. The board of public works of said city may permit the removal, trimming or repair of trees within highway limits by owners of abutting property, and the power and authority conferred on the common council under the provisions of section five of an act amending the charter of the city of New Britain, approved June 6, 1913, is conferred upon the board of public works.

SEC. 4. The city of New Britain is authorized in the usual manner at any time within three years from the passage of this act to appropriate not more than the sum of thirty thousand dollars for the purpose of erecting a comfort station at some suitable location in said city. Should such an appropriation be made, the board of finance and taxation may authorize the issue and sale, or discount, of the note or notes of said city in such manner and form, and at such rate or rates of interest, or discount, as they may decide; provided such note or notes shall mature within five years from the date of issue.

SEC. 5. It shall be lawful for the city of New Britain, acting through its board of water commissioners to extend its water mains to the Berlin town line and to supply water for the use of the inhabitants of said town of Berlin and for the benefit of property located therein or for any fire district, water company or other corporation within the said town of Berlin, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by its board of water commissioners, subject to the approval of its common council, with full power to protect the interests of the inhabitants of said city in the making of any contract for such water supply.

SEC. 6. Section one hundred twenty-five of an act consolidating the town and city governments of New Britain and revising the charter of the city of New Britain, approved July 6, 1905, as amended by an act approved July 11, 1907, is amended to read as follows: There shall be in said city a board of park commissioners consisting of five electors of said city, who shall be appointed by the mayor and whose term of office shall be for three years from the first day of May of the

year in which they are appointed and until their successors are elected and qualified. Not more than three of said board shall belong to the same political party. In appointing the members of said board at the time this provision goes into effect, the mayor shall appoint two for a term of one year, two for a term of two years and one for a term of three years, respectively, and annually thereafter the mayor shall appoint members to replace those whose terms of office expire, either two or one as the case may be. All persons appointed to said board to fill vacancies shall be for the remainder of the unexpired terms.

SEC. 7. All bills and accounts against the water department and board of park commissioners and purchases made by them in said city, shall be referred to the finance committee of the common council for approval and shall be reported to the common council for payment in the same manner as the bills of other departments and if so approved may then be paid out of the funds in their respective departments, but this provision shall not apply to expenditures from the fund created under the will of Cornelius B. Erwin, nor to emergency purchases, expenditures and settlements as provided by section twelve of charter amendments, approved May 8, 1919. The provisions of said section twelve as to the bills and obligations of the board of water commissioners shall also apply to the board of park commissioners.

SEC. 8. Section thirty-one of said act, as amended by section three of an act approved May 19, 1915, is amended by striking out the last sentence thereof beginning with the words, "Whenever it will be of advantage" and ending with the words, "common council" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "whenever it may be advantageous to the city by reason of cash discounts or otherwise, bills or accounts properly contracted by any board or commission and approved by it, may be ordered paid by the comptroller in such cases and subject to such limitations as may be provided by ordinance, without submitting the same to the common council for approval, notwithstanding any provision in the charter of the city to the contrary, but in such case such action shall be reported to the common council."

SEC. 9. All money and personal property seized by police officers in gaming cases within the city of New Britain, wherein a conviction is had of the violation of the laws regarding gaming, may, in the discretion of the police court of said city, be declared forfeited and be ordered to be turned over to the police benefit fund of said city, in lieu of the provisions of law for condemnation proceedings and the disposition of property seized in gaming cases, provided, however, that such court shall not order to be forfeited and turned over to said benefit fund any of said property which in its discretion should be ordered to be destroyed under condemnation proceedings and provided that reasonable notice be given to the owners of such property of a hearing before said court as to the disposition of such property so seized. Any person aggrieved by the order of said court in the premises shall have the same right of

appeal that may now exist by law in cases of condemnation proceedings of gambling implements.

SEC. 10. There shall be in said city a board of purchasing and supplies, consisting of three electors of said city, who shall not be members of the common council, and who shall serve without compensation, to be appointed by the mayor, and whose term of office shall be for three years from the first day of May and until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. In appointing said board and filling any vacancies in office of any member thereof, not more than two of the members shall belong to the same political party. At the time of the first appointment, the mayor shall appoint one member for the term of one year, one for two years and one for three years, as of from the first day of May, and annually thereafter one member for the full term of three years. Any vacancy in said board shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment of the mayor. Said board shall select and appoint its own agent, who shall be responsible to the said board. His salary shall be determined by ordinance of the common council.

SEC. 11. All purchases of and contracts for, supplies, materials, goods and merchandise for the various city commissions and city departments, exceeding in amount a minimum sum to be fixed by ordinance of the common council are to be made through said board, acting by said agent, but nothing herein shall alter or affect the present or future provisions of the charter and ordinances of said city requiring the approval of the common council of purchases exceeding in amount a certain named sum, nor be deemed to diminish the duty and the right of any of the commissions and city departments to obtain supplies and materials for their respective uses, but said board through its agent shall be the sole purchasing and contracting agent of and for all supplies and materials, and requisition therefor shall be made upon said board by the various commissions and departments of the city. Said board shall be appointed in the first instance at such time as the mayor and common council may determine and should they at any time thereafter be of the opinion that the existence of such board of purchasing and supplies is of disadvantage to the city, said mayor and common council may suspend or terminate its existence.

SEC. 12. There shall be in the city of New Britain a city plan commission composed of fifteen electors of said city to be appointed by the mayor to hold office as follows: In the month of July, 1921, the mayor shall appoint five for a term of one year as of from June first, 1921, five for a term of two years as of from June first, 1921, and five for a term of three years as of from June first, 1921, and during the month of May, 1922, and annually thereafter, the mayor shall appoint five members to replace those whose terms of office expire, who shall hold office for a term of three years from the first day of June and until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. The mayor, city engineer and chairman of the board of park commissioners shall be ex-officio members.

The members of said commission shall serve without compensation, but the necessary expenses of said commission to the extent of appropriations to be made by the city therefor shall be paid by said city. Said commission shall have no authority to expend any of the city's funds, except such as may be specifically appropriated from time to time therefor, nor shall said commission have any authority to bind or commit the city to any plan, policy or contractual obligation, unless authorized by the common council. The duties of said commission shall be to inquire into all conditions relating to traffic, streets, transportation and freight facilities, trolley lines, parks, housing plans and other kindred matters; also as to the direction and character of the city's probable future development and growth, as to territory and population, and industrially, and to prepare and recommend to the common council a city plan or plans covering the above subjects in preparation for the future of said city to the end that its development and both its public and private works be laid out and executed with intelligent foresight and consistency to the best advantage of its present and future inhabitants. The common council shall refer to said plan commission all questions concerning the location of any public building, street, highway, park, square or other matter within the purview of this act for consideration of said commission and for report before final action is taken thereon and said city plan commission shall seasonably report the same back to the common council with its recommendations concerning the same and thereupon the common council may take action in the premises. Said board shall keep records of its doings and in reporting any action upon any matter presented to it by the common council said board shall report the number voting for it and the number voting against it. No member of the board shall vote on any measure in which he has a special pecuniary interest. The board shall have such further powers and duties as may be prescribed by the ordinances of said city.

SEC. 13. Section ten of an act revising the charter of the city of New Britain, approved May 19, 1915, as amended by section eighteen of an act amending and revising the charter of the city of New Britain, approved May 16, 1917, is repealed.

SEC. 14. In addition to the routes to be followed in conducting sewage and sewerage from the city of New Britain to the filtration beds and sewer works established or to be established under special act of 1903, page three hundred twenty-six, sections fifty and fifty-one, a route leading from the collecting system in the north and northeast sections of the city may be laid out through that portion of the town of Newington bounded northerly by Wells avenue, so-called, easterly by the main line of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company, southerly by Newington avenue leading to Elm Hill, so-called, and westerly by New Britain-Newington town line, and the rights to acquire and the method of acquiring such lands and rights shall be the same as provided in sections fifty-one and fifty-two of said act. It shall be lawful

for said city to permit persons owning land within said described portion of the town of Newington to connect their properties with said trunk sewer on such reasonable conditions and for such uses as the city may determine on payment of such sums as may be assessed by the board of compensation and assessment and approved by the common council of said city. Said city shall at all times have the right of supervision and inspection of such sewers as shall connect with its sewer system and may revoke permits therefor whenever the conditions thereof shall intentionally be disregarded.

SEC. 15. There shall be in said city a board known as the "City Meeting Board," which shall consist of one hundred and forty-four electors of said city, twenty-four of whom shall be elected from each ward, as hereinafter provided, the mayor and members of the common council and the members of the board of finance and taxation. Said board shall be the successor to and be invested with all the power vested in the city meeting and the voters thereat by the charter of said city and by the laws of this state. Said board shall be called and presided over in the same manner as the present city meeting and shall be subject to all the rules and regulations of the present city meeting. All estimates of income and expenditures of said city and the appropriations therefor shall hereafter be brought before said city meeting board at a meeting to be held not less than ten days nor more than twenty days after any tax shall be laid by the common council and to be warned within ten days from the laying of said tax and all taxes of said city may hereafter be laid by said city meeting board and all matters and business now proper to come before the city meeting shall hereafter be brought before said city meeting board in the same manner as now provided for presentation to a city meeting.

SEC. 16. If said board shall fail to take action and to lay any tax presented to it for action, as aforesaid, then the tax as laid by the common council shall be legal and binding on the ratable estates of said city.

SEC. 17. In case the common council shall make any changes or modifications of, or additions to, the estimates of the expenditures of said city and changes in the appropriations therefor as presented to it by the board of finance and taxation, the same shall be advertised not more than once in each daily newspaper published in said city before they are referred to said city meeting board.

SEC. 18. If any person wishes to make any change or modification in any of the estimates submitted by the common council to said city meeting board, a petition for said change or modification shall be made in writing and left with the city clerk at least five days before the meeting of said city meeting board and the same shall be advertised in the same manner as hereinbefore provided by the city clerk, provided that no petition for an appropriation for any object or matter not included in the report referred to said board by the common council shall be

received by the city clerk nor advertised by him nor presented to said board and provided that said petition be endorsed by one hundred registered voters of the city. Said city meeting board may change or modify any estimate of income and expenditure and the appropriations therefor as made and recommended by the common council or may strike out entirely any appropriation, if such change or modification or petition to strike out has been presented as heretofore provided, to the city clerk at least five days before said city meeting and duly advertised by said city clerk, but it cannot otherwise change said report of the common council and cannot act upon any appropriation for any object or matter not included in said common council report.

SEC. 19. At the first convention of the voters to be held under this act, the registered voters resident and qualified in each ward shall elect from their number by a plurality of ballots twenty-four members of said board, eight of whom shall be chosen for a term of one year, eight for a term of two years and eight for a term of three years, commencing as of at noon on the third Tuesday of April, 1921, and, annually thereafter, at the time and in the manner hereinafter provided, the voters resident in each ward shall choose from among their number by a plurality of votes eight members of said board who shall be chosen for a term of three years commencing at noon on the third Tuesday of April following said election and until their successors are chosen and qualified. At the first election of members, it shall be lawful to designate upon the ballots the term for which said board shall be elected, thus, "board for one year," "board for two years," "board for three years."

SEC. 20. No member of a board or commission that receives an annual appropriation from the city for its expenditures shall be eligible for election to said city meeting board and any member shall vacate his office by becoming a member of such board or commission.

SEC. 21. It shall be the duty of the mayor to call conventions in the respective wards to be held on the same day from the hours of five o'clock p. m. to nine o'clock p. m., said call to be made and published once in each daily newspaper of said city, at least five days before the date of said conventions, of the registered voters in each ward to elect that number of members of said board eligible for election and those receiving the plurality of votes shall be members of said board. The selectmen shall provide ballot boxes, voting places and other necessary conveniences for the holding of said elections. The registrars of the city shall appoint a moderator, deputy registrar and necessary number of checkers and counters to preside and serve in each ward. The moderator in each ward shall report in writing within two days following the election to the city clerk the names of those members elected at each election and in case of a tie vote shall report the same. A tie vote shall cause a vacancy to be filled as herein provided for the filling of vacancies. The ballots used at said elections may be either written or printed and the voting shall be upon the list of the voters last made and completed

by the registrars. The expenses of said election shall be paid by the city. In case of necessity, meetings for the said election may be held outside of the territorial limits of the wards for which such election is being held and it shall be lawful for the committee of the consolidated school district to allow the use of schoolhouses for such meetings. After the ballots shall be counted and the count certified to the city clerk by the moderators, the moderators shall place a duplicate copy of such certificate, endorsed by the election officials of each ward, inside of the ballot box, seal the ballot box and deposit the same with the city clerk, who shall preserve the same unopened for a period of six months.

SEC. 22. All vacancies in any of said offices shall be filled by the members of said board from the ward in which the vacancy occurred and the person so chosen shall hold office until his successor shall be elected and qualified. At the time of the next annual election following the occurrence of said vacancy, the voters of the ward in which the vacancy shall occur may choose from their number by a plurality vote a successor to fill the vacancy in said office for the unexpired term and it shall be lawful at said election to designate upon the ballot the office to be filled by the words "To fill a vacancy." All said members of said board shall be residents of the respective wards so electing them and shall vacate their offices by removal therefrom. Said members of the city meeting board shall not be deemed to be candidates for office within the provisions of law applicable to the nomination and election of public officers.

SEC. 23. Said conventions shall be conducted in behalf of all the voters and without regard to political parties and shall be held in the year 1921 at any time within thirty days after this act goes into effect and on subsequent years not more than twenty days nor less than ten days preceding said annual city election.

SEC. 24. All provisions of the charter of the city of New Britain and amendments thereof inconsistent with the provisions of sections fifteen to twenty-three, inclusive, of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 25. In case of an appeal from any judgment of the city court of New Britain to the court of common pleas, there shall not be taxed a docket or trial fee in the city court as a part of the costs in the judgment of the court of common pleas.

SEC. 26. There shall be in said city a board to be known as "building commission," composed of five electors of said city, one of whom shall have a practical knowledge of building, one of plumbing and one of electricity and of electrical devices, who shall be appointed by the mayor and whose term of office shall be for three years from the first day of June of the year in which they are appointed and until their successors are elected and qualified. They shall serve without compensation and not more than three of said board shall belong to the same political party. In appointing the members of said board at the time this act goes into effect, the mayor shall appoint one for a term of one year, two for a

term of two years and two for a term of three years, each to serve as of from June 1, 1921, and annually thereafter during the month of May in each year, the mayor shall appoint either one or two commissioners as the case may be, to succeed the members whose terms shall expire on the first of June next following. Any vacancy in office shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment by the mayor.

SEC. 27. Said board shall appoint a building inspector, plumbing inspector and electrical inspector and in case of the absence, inability or disability of any of them, shall appoint some person to perform the duties of such office temporarily. Said inspectors shall have practical knowledge, experience and suitable training in the matters to which their respective positions relate and they shall be under the general control of said board, but shall also perform all the duties required of them by law and by ordinances of said city in relation to said matters. Said electrical inspector shall also be subject to the orders of the board of fire and police commissioners in matters relating to the fire and police signal systems and said boards of fire and police commissioners are hereby empowered to make all needful rules pertaining thereto. The compensation of said inspectors shall be fixed by the common council and they shall serve for such time as said board shall determine. Said inspectors shall be the agents of said building commission and shall have full power to act for said commission in its name and behalf according to the rules of said commission and said board may make rules vesting in said inspectors the authority and powers of said board when said board is not in actual session. The common council shall provide for the appointment by said commission of such other agents and employees of said commission as it may deem necessary for the efficient discharge of the duties of said commission and shall fix their compensation.

SEC. 28. Said building commission shall discharge all the duties by law imposed upon selectmen of towns or other officers in regard to buildings and fire escapes upon all buildings, except factories, and such duties as may be required of it by the ordinances of said city and also such duties as are now imposed by law upon the building inspector, plumbing inspector and electrical inspector and the powers now vested in said selectmen, officers and inspectors are hereby vested in said building commission.

SEC. 29. Before the erection, construction, alteration and repair or removal of any building or any part thereof in said city is begun, the owner, builder, architect or agent shall submit to the building commission of said city a clear statement of the materials to be used and the mode of construction of the proposed building or alteration and also, if required by the building commission, the plans and specifications; said statement to be in writing on blanks furnished by the city for that purpose. No building or part thereof, nor removal of any building or part thereof shall be commenced until the owner, builder, architect or agent shall receive from the building commission a certificate of permit

and said building commission shall have the sole right to issue said certificate of permit, subject to the right of appeal, as provided by the ordinances of said city.

SEC. 30. No building shall hereafter be erected or in any material manner be altered or repaired, unless the owner or person having charge of said erection, alteration or repairs shall have first submitted the plans and specifications and details therefor in so far as the same shall relate to plumbing, ventilation and drainage to said commission and received from said commission its approval thereof. Said commission shall have power to approve, reject or modify such plans, specifications and details and to issue such instructions relating to said work as they shall deem proper for the regulation of plumbing, ventilation and drainage of and in buildings.

SEC. 31. No person shall construct any work as aforesaid until such approval has been first obtained and in the construction of such work strict conformity shall be had to the specifications and rules of the board of health commissioners and of the building commission as approved and enacted by the ordinances of the common council.

SEC. 32. Said building commission shall have the authority to make rules and regulations in reference to the electric wiring of buildings and the installation and maintenance of all electric devices, subject to the approval of the common council and except as otherwise provided by law.

SEC. 33. The common council of the city of New Britain shall have full power and authority to make rules and regulations regarding buildings, plumbing, ventilation, drainage and electrical matters, as it may deem necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, including, subject to the limitations now provided in the charter of said city, the providing of penalties that may be deemed necessary for the violation of any order or ordinance pertaining to the aforesaid matters.

SEC. 34. It shall be the duty of said building commission to enforce all laws, rules and regulations and ordinances relative to building, plumbing and electricity.

SEC. 35. Said building commission shall have full power to require from and to issue to the owners or their agents and contractors of all buildings, licenses or permits for the erection or alteration of buildings and the installation, repair or alteration of the plumbing and electrical equipment thereof upon the payment of such license or permit fees as shall be established by the common council; also to require master plumbers, journeymen plumbers, persons carrying on the business of drain and sewer laying and of electric wiring and electrical work in the city of New Britain to obtain from said commission a license or permit for carrying on their said trades and businesses upon the payment of such fees therefor as shall be prescribed by ordinance of the common council.

SEC. 36. Said building commission shall account to the city treasurer of said city for all fees received by it, monthly, and said commissioners or their inspectors and agents shall give, if required by the common council, bond in such sum as may be required for the faithful performance of their duties.

SEC. 37. The present ordinances of the city of New Britain relating to building, plumbing and electrical matters shall remain in force until hereafter amended or repealed and all the provisions of the same shall apply to said building commission instead of to the building, plumbing and electrical inspectors, respectively, in all cases where the powers of the building commission have by this act been substituted for those of said inspectors and the present ordinances of the city as to licenses or permits to be issued by the board of health commissioners, building inspector, plumbing inspector and electrical inspector shall likewise remain in force and be deemed to apply to the building commission instead of to said health commissioners and said inspectors.

SEC. 38. Nothing in this act shall be deemed to repeal the provision of said charter providing that the superintendent of the board of health shall be ex-officio inspector of sanitation, nor to abridge the powers or the duty of the board of health commissioners from inspecting the sanitary conditions in all buildings and places within said city nor their powers and duties to enforce the provisions of law relating to health and sanitation.

SEC. 39. The provision of section 160 of said charter as amended providing for the appointment of plumbing inspector by the board of health commissioners is hereby repealed and all other provisions of the charter of said city inconsistent with the provisions of sections twenty-six to thirty-eight inclusive of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 40. Sections 142, 143 and 146 of the charter of New Britain as amended by special acts of 1907, section 30, page 388, also by special acts 1917, section 6, page 1113, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 41. There shall be in the city of New Britain a fund to be known as the police benefit fund, to consist of the fund now known as the police benefit fund; such sums of money as shall be appropriated to said fund; all property specifically devised or given for the benefit of disabled policemen of said city, and property given to the police department of said city on account of services rendered by said department; all lost, abandoned, unclaimed or stolen money, and all moneys arising from the sale of unclaimed, abandoned, lost or stolen property in charge of the board of police commissioners of said city, now or at any time hereafter available for that purpose by the laws of this state and proceeds from gambling raids; all rewards, fees, gifts, testimonials and emoluments that may be presented to any member of the police force of said city on account of special services, except such as said board of police commissioners may allow any member or members to retain, and all moneys collected from members of said police force by way of fines

or forfeiture of pay imposed or ordered by said board; assessments to be made by the trustees of said fund on the compensation of the regular members of the police department at the rate of two per centum per annum, payable weekly as the trustees of the fund may determine.

SEC. 42. The board of police commissioners of said city shall be a board of trustees of said fund, and the treasurer of the city of New Britain shall be the treasurer thereof. The chairman of the board of police commissioners shall be the president of the board of trustees, and shall draw all orders upon said fund, which orders shall be countersigned by the secretary of said board of trustees, who shall be chosen by said trustees. The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of said board of trustees and all action taken by it in regard to said fund, and said board of trustees may direct the treasurer to invest any portion of said fund in any securities in which trust funds may be invested by the laws of the state or to deposit the same, or any portion thereof, in any of the savings banks of the state.

SEC. 43. The said board of trustees shall report to the common council yearly the condition of said fund, with all the items of receipts and disbursements on account thereof. If the income of the police benefit fund shall be found at any time insufficient to meet the requirements upon it, the city upon the application of said board of trustees to the common council shall make an appropriation to make good such deficiency, and any prospective deficiency in the income of said fund shall be provided for by said city in its annual appropriation for the police department.

SEC. 44. In addition to the regular and supernumerary police force of the city of New Britain, there shall be an honorary grade known as the veteran reserve, to which the board of police commissioners of said city may transfer any member of the police force who shall, through age, or physical disabilities incurred in the discharge of his duties, become permanently disqualified for the active duties of the police department, but such transfer may be revoked at any time if the disability shall be removed, and the member shall thereupon be returned to active duty in the police department. The pay of a member of the veteran reserve shall be one-half pay, but the board of police commissioners may call upon any member of the veteran reserve for such temporary services as he may be fitted to perform, and during such service he shall receive the full pay of a regular policeman.

SEC. 45. Said board of police commissioners may permanently retire on half pay any member of the regular or veteran reserve force who has become permanently disqualified from performing any duty, upon a certificate of a surgeon or surgeons appointed by said board of police commissioners showing that such member is permanently disqualified for the performance of all police duty, and that such disqualification is caused by the natural infirmities of old age, or by some injury received,

disease contracted or exposure endured while performing the duties of his service, without fault on his part.

SEC. 46. Said board of police commissioners may permanently retire on half pay any member of the police department, upon his written request, when such member has performed twenty-five years of continuous service in the department as a regular policeman, or may transfer him to the veteran reserve force. Any member of the regular police department who shall have been in the service of the police department continuously for thirty years since his appointment as a regular policeman, shall, upon his written request, be permanently retired on half pay, or transferred to the veteran reserve force, whichever the board of police commissioners may decide.

SEC. 47. Any member of the police department, who shall have been in the service of the city as a policeman twenty years and shall have reached the age of sixty-five years, may, on his request, be retired on half pay by the board of police commissioners, or transferred to the veteran reserve force.

SEC. 48. Any member of the police department who shall have been in the service of the city as a policeman twenty-five years and shall have reached the age of sixty years, shall, on his request, be retired on half pay by the board of police commissioners, or transferred to the veteran reserve force.

SEC. 49. As applied to all retirements that may hereafter be made the term "half pay" as used herein, shall represent a variable sum amounting in each year to fifty per centum of the compensation that may then be paid in each fiscal year to officers of the same grade as that of the officer retired.

SEC 50. In all cases in which judgment is rendered by the city court of the city of New Britain, excepting actions in equity, replevin, ejectment and actions to test or determine the title to land or easements pertaining thereto in which final judgment rendered therein shall not exceed one hundred dollars and the cost of the action, no appeal from such judgment shall be had and allowed to either party, except that questions of law may be reviewed by the supreme court of errors on appeal or by writ of error, such appeal or writ of error to be taken directly to said supreme court of errors. Writs of error in cases of summary process shall also be taken directly to the said supreme court of errors. So much of section 20 of an act amending the charter of the city of New Britain, approved May 16, 1917, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act is repealed.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 116.]

[387.]

**AN ACT COMPENSATING CHARLES A. SCHOONOVER FOR INJURIES
RECEIVED WHILE AT DRILL.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars in favor of Charles A. Schoonover of Danbury, to compensate said Schoonover for personal injuries received by him while in the discharge of his duties as a private in the Connecticut state guard and in attendance at drill on December 1, 1919.

Approved, June 3, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1009.]

[388.]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR FITCH'S HOME FOR
THE SOLDIERS, FOR REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of fifteen hundred dollars is appropriated for Fitch's Home for the Soldiers at Darien, for repairs and improvements to the cemetery.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 684.]

[389.]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE NORMAL SCHOOL
AT WILLIMANTIC FOR REPAIRS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer, in favor of the state board of education, from time to time, for such sums as it shall require, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ten thousand dollars, to purchase a new boiler and electric pump, provide for additional radiation and make such alterations in the heating system for the normal school building at Willimantic and the other buildings connected therewith, as may be needed.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 616.]

[390.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE MERIDEN HOSPITAL TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The Meriden Hospital, in accordance with a vote at a meeting duly warned and held for that purpose, may issue bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars. Such bonds shall be exempt from taxation, shall be secured by a mortgage upon real estate of the said hospital, shall be issued in such form and signed and countersigned by such persons and shall mature at such time or times, be of such denominations and bear such rate of interest not exceeding seven per centum per annum as shall be determined by the executive committee of said hospital or by a committee by it appointed. The proceeds of such bonds shall be used for the purpose of erecting an addition to the buildings of said hospital.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 157.]

[391.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WATERBURY CONCERNING THE CITY'S WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The mayor of the city of Waterbury, with the consent of two-thirds of the board of aldermen of said city, is authorized and empowered to contract and agree on behalf of the said city, upon such terms as the mayor and board of aldermen may deem proper, with any electric power company, incorporated and doing business in the state of Connecticut, in such manner and form as will enable the said power company to develop electrical energy by water power from any surplus waters which may at any time exist in any present or future reservoir or reservoirs of the said city. The term "surplus water" as used in this act, shall be construed to mean such water impounded in or escaping from such reservoir or reservoirs as is not actually needed by the said city for the proper and necessary public use and convenience of the inhabitants. All water so used for the purpose of developing electrical energy shall be returned to the stream from which taken. The mayor, with the consent of two-thirds of the board of aldermen of said city, is authorized and empowered to contract to lease any land owned by said city to such electrical power company for such length of time and on such terms

as may be agreed upon for the location thereon of power houses, conduits and transmission lines, and for such other purposes as may be necessary or convenient for the creation, development and transmission of electrical energy developed from such surplus water by the power company contracting for its use. The city of Waterbury is authorized and empowered, by its mayor and a majority of its aldermen, to contract to supply water for domestic purposes and fire protection to any municipality, borough or fire district, through which, or contiguous to which the water supply mains of said city are or shall be laid, or in which its reservoir or reservoirs are located, or may contract to supply water for domestic purposes and fire protection to any private company, chartered for the purpose of supplying water to such municipality, borough or fire district on such terms and rates as shall be just and equitable to the contracting parties.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 626.]

[392.]

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR OFFICIAL INTERPRETERS FOR THE
CITY COURT OF ANSONIA.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The judge of the city court of Ansonia is authorized to appoint such court interpreters as he may determine, who shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their respective duties.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[House Bill No. 947.]

[393.]

**AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE NEW
BRITAIN, KENSINGTON AND MERIDEN STREET RAILWAY
COMPANY MAY ORGANIZE AND EXTEND ITS LINES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The time within which The New Britain, Kensington and Meriden Street Railway Company may organize and construct its lines is extended until the rising of the general assembly at its January session, 1923.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 351.]

[394.]

**AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF THE GREENWICH READING
ROOM AND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. The name of The Greenwich Reading Room and Library Association, a corporation chartered by resolution approved May 24, 1899, is changed to The Greenwich Library.

SEC. 2. All the property, assets, rights, privileges and franchise of said The Greenwich Reading Room and Library Association which have been acquired by or which have accrued to said corporation under the name of The Greenwich Reading Room and Library Association, or which since the twenty-sixth day of March, 1907, have been acquired by or which have accrued to it under the name of The Greenwich Library shall be vested in said corporation under the name of The Greenwich Library; and all acts and transactions of said corporation under the name of The Greenwich Library since said twenty-sixth day of March, 1907, are validated.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[House Bill No. 505.]

[395.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE RUSSELL LIBRARY
COMPANY.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

Section two of an act amending a resolution incorporating The Russell Library Company, approved May 17, 1917, is amended to read as follows: The members of said company shall not be less than eleven nor more than fifteen in number, of which the mayor of the city of Middletown, the chairman of the board of education of the Middletown City School District, the chairman of the board of school visitors of the town of Middletown and the first selectman of the town of Middletown shall be members during their respective terms of office, and provided the total number of members at any one time who are ministers of the gospel or members of the faculty of Wesleyan University or of the Berkeley Divinity School shall not exceed one-half the total number of members. Vacancies in the membership of said company may be filled by a majority vote. The number of members to be elected shall be fixed by a majority vote of the company, provided the total number of

members shall in no case exceed fifteen. A majority of the members of said company may remove any member for cause except Samuel Russell, Jr., who shall not be subject to removal from membership except by his written consent. Said Samuel Russell, Jr., shall have the power to appoint his successor who, with his successor, shall have like power of appointment and shall not be subject to removal from the membership of said company, except by his written consent. At all meetings of the company eight members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 431.]

[396.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ESTABLISHING A POLICE RELIEF
FUND FOR THE TOWN OF ORANGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section two of an act establishing a police relief fund for the town of Orange, approved April 17, 1917, is amended to read as follows: Said fund shall consist of all bequests or donations made to the police department of said town or to the trustees of said fund; all moneys or property presented to any officer or patrolman of said department because of special or meritorious services, except such as by vote of said board may be retained by any such officer or patrolman; quarterly or monthly assessment upon the salary of any such officer or patrolman not to exceed two per centum per annum, as the trustees shall determine; such sums of money appropriated by the board of finance of said town, for said fund; money realized from the sale of lost, abandoned or forfeited property in the hands of the department of police; any unclaimed money remaining in the hands of such department for a period of one year or more, the owner of which is unknown; and fifty per centum of the money received by the town from amusement licenses.

SEC. 2. Section five of said act is amended to read as follows: The board of finance of said town may, when making up recommendations for appropriations for the various departments of said town each year, appropriate such sum or sums as in its opinion are needed to carry out the purpose of this act. The selectmen of said town are authorized, on or before the first day of November in each year, to pay to the treasurer of said fund, the money so appropriated by said board of finance.

SEC. 3. Section six of said act is amended to read as follows: The board of police commissioners of said town shall make no allowance of payment from said fund until the principal thereof amounts to not less

than ten thousand dollars and whenever the principal of said fund equals or exceeds the sum of twenty thousand dollars, no further appropriations for said fund shall be made by said board of finance as herein provided. Whenever the principal amount of said fund shall be less than said amount of twenty thousand dollars, said board of finance may annually appropriate such sum or sums as it deems proper.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 61.]

[397.]

AN ACT RESTORING FORFEITED RIGHTS TO JOHN QUINN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

All rights forfeited by John Quinn of Manchester by reason of conviction of crime are hereby restored.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 675.]

[398.]

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE BURIAL EXPENSES OF
CHARLES RICH.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Whenever Jay M. Shephard of the city of Willimantic shall have presented to the quartermaster-general evidence satisfactory to him concerning the military service and the death and burial of the late Charles Rich, a soldier who served in Company A, Twenty-fifth Regiment, Maine Infantry, and in accordance with the form prescribed by the acting quartermaster-general in similar cases, so far as the same may be applicable, the acting quartermaster-general may certify to the comptroller that such evidence has been presented, and the comptroller shall thereupon draw his order on the treasurer in favor of said Jay M. Shephard, for the sum of fifty dollars, for the funeral expenses of said soldier.

SEC. 2. The acts providing for the payment of the funeral expenses of Charles Rich, approved March 10, 1915, and March 27, 1917, are repealed.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[House Bill No. 750.]

[399.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE GOSHEN ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Edwin O. Wright, William S. Griswold, Alfred H. Wright and Fred S. Johnson, with such other persons as may be associated with them, are hereby constituted a corporation by the name of The Goshen Electric Light and Power Company, to be located in the town of Goshen, with all powers described in chapter 188 of the general statutes.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have the right to manufacture or generate electricity by steam, water or any other power or to buy electricity from any corporation, and to sell, furnish, transmit and deliver such electricity for purposes of light, power or any other purposes for which electricity may be used, to any person or corporation within said town of Goshen; and for such purposes said corporation shall have power to erect and maintain poles, wires, conduits and all other necessary fixtures in, upon and under the highways and public grounds in said town of Goshen, subject to the provisions of the general statutes in relation to such use; and to manufacture and produce from any material, and to sell, supply, distribute and deliver gas for any and all purposes, anywhere in said town of Goshen, to any person or corporation within said town of Goshen, and for such purposes said corporation shall have the power to lay pipes, conductors and other structures in the streets and public grounds within said town of Goshen; and to erect and maintain posts, poles, burners, reflectors, buildings, fixtures, works and structures as it may deem necessary to carry on the business of said corporation.

SEC. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be three thousand dollars, and may be increased by a majority vote of its stockholders, to any sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars. Such capital stock shall be divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each, and shall not be issued at less than par, and shall be paid for in cash or its equivalent.

SEC. 4. The incorporators named in section one of this act, or any three of them, shall open books to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said corporation, at such time and place, under such regulations, and upon such notice, as they shall deem proper, and shall call the first meeting of the stockholders of said corporation on such notice and at such time and place as they shall deem proper, for organization, choice of directors and other necessary business.

SEC. 5. The government and direction of said corporation shall be vested in a board of not less than three nor more than five directors, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of busi-

ness. Said directors shall be stockholders and shall hold office for one year and until their successors are chosen and qualified. Said directors shall elect one of their number as president, who shall also be president of the corporation, and shall elect a secretary, who shall also be secretary of the corporation, and shall elect a treasurer and elect or appoint such other officers and agents as they shall deem proper for the transaction of the business of said corporation.

SEC. 6. Said corporation may borrow money and issue its bonds at not less than par, signed by its president and countersigned by its treasurer, and may dispose of such bonds as may be prescribed by the stockholders. Said bonds shall not exceed in the aggregate one-half the actual cost of the plant of said corporation. For the purposes of this act, the cost of said plant shall be determined by the president and treasurer of said corporation and a civil engineer approved by the public utilities commission, or by a judge of the superior court.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 670.]

[400.]

**AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE TOWN OF
NORWALK WITH THE CITIES OF NORWALK AND SOUTH
NORWALK, AND THE EAST NORWALK FIRE DISTRICT,
AND INCORPORATING THE CITY OF NORWALK.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section forty-eight of an act consolidating the town of Norwalk with the cities of Norwalk and South Norwalk, and the East Norwalk fire district, and incorporating the city of Norwalk, approved June 6, 1913, is amended by striking out the words "seven councilmen" after the word "mayor" in the fifth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "As many councilmen as are provided for in section three of said act."

SEC. 2. Section fifty-two of said act is amended by striking out the last sentence thereof.

SEC. 3. Section eighty of said act is amended by inserting after the word "ordinances" in the second line thereof, the words "to pass and rescind resolutions, rules, votes and orders and to take such action as may be necessary or expedient not inconsistent with this act or with the laws of this state or of the United States.

SEC. 4. Section eighty-six of said act is amended to read as follows: Said council may be specially convened at any time by the mayor on notice of at least twenty-four hours and regular meetings of said body shall be held at the times fixed by the ordinances of the city. The council

may determine the rules of its proceedings. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn. Whenever a regular or special meeting has been called and no quorum shall be present, those present may, by vote, request the mayor or presiding officer to, and said mayor or presiding officer shall, upon such request, issue a warrant signed by him directed to the sheriff of Fairfield county, his deputy, the sheriff of the city of Norwalk, or either constable of the town of Norwalk, to arrest and bring into such meeting, a sufficient number of said councilmen to constitute a quorum. Any member who shall, while holding office, directly or indirectly take or bargain for any fee or pecuniary consideration to influence his vote or action upon any resolution or ordinance pending in said council shall pay to said city a penalty equal in amount to said fee or pecuniary consideration so directly or indirectly taken or bargained for, and shall be expelled from said office, after notice and hearing, by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the council. Every vote, resolution, order or ordinance, except such as relates to the organization of the council, to its own officers or employees and to the removal of the mayor, or to the declaration of a vacancy in the office of mayor, shall be transmitted to the mayor, who shall either approve it within six days, in which case it shall become operative and effectual or disapprove it and return it to said body at its regular meeting with a statement of his objections in writing. After such statement has been read said council shall proceed to reconsider its former vote on such measure. If after such reconsideration, the council shall again pass it by a vote of not less than two-thirds of all its members, such vote being determined by yeas and nays, it shall become operative and effectual without the approval of the mayor. If the mayor shall refuse or neglect to signify his approval or disapproval, of any such measure transmitted to him within six days after its reception, such measure shall become operative and effectual as though approved by him.

SEC. 5. Section eighty-seven of said act is amended to read as follows: At any meeting of the council any member may give written notice, seconded in writing by a majority of all the members, of his intention to propose at the next meeting a resolution removing the mayor from office for official misconduct or neglect of duty. Such notice shall specify particularly the acts of misconduct or the neglect of duty complained of and shall be entered in the records of the council and the clerk shall serve a copy thereof upon the mayor and mail a copy to each member of the council. At the next meeting of the council the mayor shall have the right to be heard with his witnesses, and said meeting may be adjourned from time to time as said council may direct. The vote on the resolution shall be by roll call. If the resolution fails to receive the votes of two-thirds of the members of the council, it shall have no effect. If it receives the affirmative votes of two-thirds of the members of the council it shall become operative upon the service of

a copy thereof upon the mayor personally or by leaving the same at his residence, and the office of mayor shall be vacant. The council shall fill such vacancy as provided in section fifty-five hereof as amended. Said council meetings shall be public and the journal of its proceedings shall be open to public inspection. The vote of the council shall be taken by yeas and nays whenever the same is requested by any member. The council may elect, appoint or discharge any officer, except the mayor, in executive session, but no business other than that relating to appointments or removals from office shall be considered in executive session.

SEC. 6. Section eighty-nine of said act, as amended by section three of an act approved May 20, 1915, is amended by striking out the sentence in the seventeenth line thereof, beginning with the words "said board of estimate," and substituting therefor the following: "Said board of estimate and taxation shall have no power to make appropriations in excess of the estimate of revenues made by it for any year, and in no case shall the expenses of said city or district exceed their respective estimated revenues for any year except for the purposes for which said city is authorized to issue bonds, and when bonds are so issued. No money other than that appropriated as aforesaid by said board at said meeting on the first Monday of July shall be expended unless a special appropriation therefor has been provided by said board of estimate and taxation at a special meeting called for that purpose and has been approved by a two-thirds vote, taken by yeas and nays, of all the members of the council of said city."

SEC. 7. Section one hundred and nine of said act is amended to read as follows: All sums expended or expenses incurred under direction of the council to level, raise, repair, flag, concrete or pave any sidewalk along the frontage of any property as provided in sections one hundred twenty-six and one hundred twenty-seven hereof, as amended, or in the removal of any building erected in violation of sections one hundred thirty-nine and one hundred forty hereof, with the expense for filing, shall be a lien upon the lands and buildings with reference to which such expenditures were made or such expense incurred, and such lien shall date from the day when such expenditures were made or expense incurred and shall have the same validity and be collected in the same manner as tax liens, provided such liens shall not exist for a period longer than sixty days after such expenditure was made or expense incurred unless, within said period, a certificate, signed by the mayor and clerk of said city, is filed with the town clerk of Norwalk, as provided in section one hundred seven relating to liens for benefits assessed.

SEC. 8. The city of Norwalk may build, own and maintain docks and wharves, piers and bridges upon such property along the water front as it now owns or may hereafter acquire or any part thereof, and may lease the same from time to time upon such terms as the councilmen of said city may fix, and collect and receive compensation therefor, or may

reserve said piers and docks for public uses other than business uses, and may from time to time adopt, amend and repeal by-laws or ordinances regulating such use.

SEC. 9. This act shall not take effect until it shall have been approved by a majority vote of the electors of said city of Norwalk, at the annual city election held the first Monday of October, 1921. If said vote shall be in favor of the approval of this act it shall thereupon take effect, and a certificate of such vote signed by the clerk of said city shall be filed in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 703.]

[401.]

**AN ACT VALIDATING CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS AND DEBTS
OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Each and every appropriation made by the board of apportionment and taxation of the city of Bridgeport in February, 1921, to cover or pay any deficiency existing in any department or branch of the government of said city, and created by the contracting of debts in excess of the appropriation allowed or allotted to such department or branch of the city government, or from any other cause, is validated and confirmed; and all debts heretofore contracted by the city of Bridgeport through any department or officer of the government of said city and otherwise valid except in so far as said debts were contracted in excess of an appropriation, or in the absence of an appropriation, or exceeded the revenues of the city, are validated and confirmed.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 704.]

[402.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MERIDEN
CONCERNING ELECTIONS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of an act amending the charter of the city of Meriden and making all city elections biennial, approved April 12, 1921, is amended to read as follows: At the annual meeting on the third Tuesday of December, 1921, there shall be elected by the qualified voters of said city from their number by a plurality of ballots, a mayor, and two

sheriffs, and the qualified voters in each ward shall further elect in like manner from their number one alderman and two councilmen, who shall hold office for two years from the first Monday of January succeeding their election, and the clerk, treasurer and auditor of city accounts of the city of Meriden, and in each ward in said city the aldermen and councilmen whose terms expire on the first Monday of January, 1923, shall hold office until the first Monday of January, 1924, and on the third Tuesday of December, 1923, and biennially thereafter, there shall be elected a mayor, clerk, treasurer and two sheriffs and an auditor of city accounts, by the qualified voters of said city from their number by a plurality of ballots, and the qualified voters in each ward shall further elect in like manner from their number two aldermen and four councilmen, each of whom shall hold office for two years from the first Monday of January, 1924, and until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 115.]

[403.]

**AN ACT CONCERNING A CLAIM OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EMMA
PENDLETON BRADLEY HOME FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of eleven thousand, four hundred twenty-eight dollars and twenty-nine cents in favor of the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company as trustee for the Emma Pendleton Bradley Home for Crippled Children for reimbursement of a payment of said amount to the treasurer of the state of Connecticut.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1029.]

[404.]

**AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTION DISTRICTS IN THE TOWN OF
WEST HARTFORD.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. At all elections held in the town of West Hartford, the voting shall be by districts, the boundaries of which districts shall be the same as the boundaries of election districts established from time to time for town elections under authority of an act concerning the charter of West Hartford, approved March 16, 1921.

SEC. 2. Except as provided in section three of an act concerning voting districts in the town of West Hartford, approved April 8, 1913, any person entitled to vote at any such election shall be entitled to vote only in the election district in which such person resides.

SEC. 3. The polling place in each election district shall be fixed by the town council and shall be designated in the warning for such election.

SEC. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, June 1, 1921.

[House Bill No. 942.]

[405.]

AN ACT VALIDATING A CERTAIN MECHANIC'S LIEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. A mechanic's lien in favor of John A. Gilbert of the town of Killingly and against James A. Moran and Archie G. Ennis, copartners under the firm name of Moran and Ennis, which lien is recorded in the Killingly land records, book of attachments, volume three, page thirty-one, if otherwise valid except that said lien is not recorded in the book of deeds, as provided by section 5218 of the general statutes, is validated, and shall be to all intents and purposes of the same effect as if recorded in the book of deeds, provided a certified copy of this act be filed for record in the land records in the town of Killingly within ninety days after its passage.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 653.]

[406.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CONNECTICUT SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the Connecticut School for Boys for the following purposes: For band instruments, three thousand dollars; for record vaults, two thousand two hundred dollars; for poultry plant, six thousand dollars; for automobile renewals, three thousand dollars; for railroad switch and trap rock for roads, three thousand seven hundred dollars.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 152.]

[407.]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE BOARD OF CONTROL
FOR CARE OF DISCHARGED SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND MARINES
FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1923.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

The sum of two hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is made available for use by the board of control in carrying out the provisions of chapter 336 of the public acts of 1919, for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923; said sum to be used only in the event that the income of the two million five hundred thousand dollars appropriated by said chapter shall be inadequate.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 1015.]

[408.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON TO ISSUE
BONDS.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. The town of Newington is hereby authorized to issue and sell its bonds to an amount not exceeding the sum of seventy thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. The principal of said bonds shall be paid and the bonds cancelled in annual series, the amount and time of payment of each series shall be determined by said town and the time of final payment of the last series of said bonds shall be not later than thirty-five years from the date thereof. The funds raised from the sale of such bonds shall be used and expended for the uses and purposes of said town in paying its outstanding notes and erecting school buildings.

SEC. 2. Said town shall, at an annual or special meeting, warned and held for such purposes, prescribe, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, the form, conditions and reservations of the same, the rate of interest thereon not exceeding the rate aforesaid, the time and place of paying such interest and principal and the time and manner in which such bonds may be called in and redeemed and interest thereon made to terminate, and the person or persons who shall execute the same for and on behalf of said town. Such bonds, when executed, issued and delivered by said town and by its officers or agents duly appointed, shall be obligatory upon said town

and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1004.]

[409.]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE RIVERTON FIRE DISTRICT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

That portion of the territory of the towns of Barkhamsted and Hartland formerly known as School District Number Nine, within the limits hereinafter defined, is declared to constitute the Riverton fire district, and the inhabitants residing therein are made and constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Riverton fire district. The limits of the territory of said district are defined as follows: Starting at the intersection of the boundary line of the towns of Winchester, Colebrook, Hartland and Barkhamsted, thence in a southerly direction following the boundary line between the towns of Winchester and Barkhamsted, one hundred twenty rods; thence in a southeasterly direction, one hundred seventy-five rods; thence in a southerly direction, two hundred twenty rods; thence in an easterly direction, two hundred sixty rods; thence in a northerly direction to the boundary line between the town of Barkhamsted and the town of Hartland; thence continuing northerly in said town of Hartland approximately one mile; thence westerly to the boundary line between the town of Colebrook and the town of Hartland; thence southerly to point of beginning. Said fire district is authorized and empowered to provide a sufficient supply of water for fire and other purposes; to construct and maintain sewers and sewage disposal plants; to sprinkle and light streets; to establish building lines; to maintain sidewalks, crosswalks and drains; to appoint and employ watchmen and police officers; to collect garbage, ashes and other refuse matter; and to enter into contract with any company authorized to manufacture, sell and distribute electricity and gas for lighting, heating or power purposes; and for these purposes said district shall have the same powers and officers and proceed in the same manner as a school district for school purposes. The selectmen of the town of Barkhamsted and the selectmen of the town of Hart-

land, or a majority of them, shall call the first meeting of said district at such time and place, within said district, as they may determine.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 442.]

[410.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DANBURY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section twenty-three of an act incorporating the city of Danbury, approved April 18, 1889, as amended by section seven of an act approved April 25, 1893, is amended to read as follows: All elections and appointments to office, or to any position within the appointing power of the common council, which includes all elections and appointments not conferred by this charter on the electors of said city and on the mayor, shall be made by a plurality of ballots cast in the common council, meeting in joint session. The mayor shall call a joint session of said council within two weeks after each annual election, for the exclusive purpose of making such elections and appointments, and in case of a failure at said session to fill any office to be filled, he shall, in like manner, call a joint session on each succeeding week until all of such appointments and elections shall be made. A majority of all of the members of the common council, without the mayor, or one-half of said members with the mayor, shall constitute a quorum and the mayor shall have a vote only in case of a tie. The officers to be appointed in accordance with this section, are a superintendent of water works, a superintendent of public works other than water works, and one person may be appointed to perform the duties of both of these offices; a chief engineer of the fire department, who shall also perform the duties of fire marshal, inspector of buildings, and superintendent of the fire alarm; a first and a second assistant engineer of the fire department; collector of taxes, assessments and water rates; all of whose salaries shall be fixed by the common council; also a health officer, city engineer, and a corporation counsel, each of whom shall receive a reasonable compensation for services actually rendered. The duties of said officers shall be fixed and prescribed by the common council. Said officers, except the engineer and the assistant engineers of the fire department, shall hold office for one year next succeeding their appointment, and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Any and all of said officers may be removed for malfeasance in office, neglect of duty or other just cause, but none of such officers shall be removed upon any charge preferred against him without a hearing, if he sees fit to appear and be heard thereon.

SEC. 2. Section seventy-one of said act approved April 18, 1889, is amended to read as follows: No fees for attendance at court, keeping a prisoner or for assistance in making an arrest shall be taxed or allowed to any officer serving criminal process, unless the court shall find that such attendance, keeping or assistance was necessary; but said court may tax and allow legal fees at its discretion, to any constable or other officer making arrests outside the city limits, when the offender is apprehended in the act or on the speedy information of others. No fees shall be allowed to any policeman or bystander in court as a witness before said court; but said court may tax and allow legal fees to any policeman who, while off duty, is required to attend court as a witness. No person shall be entitled to receive any costs, unless demand shall be made therefor within thirty days after the same shall become due.

SEC. 3. Section ninety-three of said act approved April 18, 1889, as amended by an act approved April 2, 1919, is amended to read as follows: The salaries of the several elective officers of the city of Danbury shall be as follows, and they shall be paid quarterly or monthly as determined in each case by the common council: The mayor shall receive eight hundred dollars per annum; the clerk shall receive eighteen hundred dollars per annum; the assistant clerk shall receive no salary except when he shall perform the duties of clerk during his absence, or at his request, in which case he shall be paid at the same rate as the clerk, and the amount so paid him shall be deducted from the salary of the clerk; the treasurer shall receive four hundred dollars per annum; the auditor shall receive four hundred dollars per annum; the city sheriff shall receive for attendance at the city court, while engaged in the trial of civil cases, the sum of four dollars per day, and for all other services rendered, the legal fees provided by the general statutes for sheriffs.

Approved June 14, 1921.

[House Bill No. 536.]

[411.]

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF SEA-WALLS IN
FRONT OF PREMISES OF NANNIE D. ADAMS IN GREENWICH.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Nannie D. Adams of Greenwich, her heirs and assigns, are authorized to build sea-walls in front of her premises, situated in the town of Greenwich on the westerly side of Tomac harbor, and to fill in the space back of said sea-walls and to maintain stone and cement piers, foundations and approaches on and in front of said premises as they now exist or such other piers, foundations and approaches as it may be necessary

to construct in the future to replace the same, providing such sea-walls, piers, foundations and approaches shall in no way impede navigation.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 662.]

[412.]

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CONNECTICUT REFORMATORY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the Connecticut Reformatory: For employees' cottage, fifteen thousand dollars; for stockade, twenty thousand dollars; for extension to factory building, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 460.]

[413.]

AN ACT REVISING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MERIDEN AND CONSOLIDATING THE TOWN AND CITY GOVERNMENTS THEREOF.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

TOWN AND CITY OF MERIDEN CONSOLIDATED.

SECTION 1. All the inhabitants dwelling in the town of Meriden, within the territorial limits of the community incorporated under the name of the city of Meriden, with the inhabitants of that part of the town of Meriden not hitherto within the limits of said city, are constituted and declared, on and after January 1, 1922, a body politic and corporate by the name of the city of Meriden, capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all courts, and of purchasing, holding and conveying any estate, real or personal; may have a common seal and change the same at pleasure; and may hold and exercise such powers and privileges, hitherto exercised by said city, as are perpetuated herein, together with all the additional powers and privileges herein conferred. All property, both real and personal, and all rights of action and rights of every description, and all securities and liens therefor, which have become vested in said city from the time of its original incorporation to said date, and all property, both real and personal, and all rights and securities and liens of the town of Meriden, are, on and after January 1,

1922, transferred to and vested in said city of Meriden, and said city is, on and after said date, made liable for all debts and obligations of said city of Meriden as theretofore existing and of said town of Meriden, then due or thereafter to become due, and said city shall be the successor of said town and of said city in respect thereto.

SEC. 2. All burdens and expenses imposed by law upon the town of Meriden for the conduct of elections, the care and support of poor, insane and imbecile persons, the construction and maintenance of public buildings, the prosecution of criminal offenses, the payment of the principal and interest of the town debt, the payment of state, military and county taxes, and all other expenses for which said town may be made liable, shall, on and after January 1, 1922, be borne by said city, and shall be defrayed out of the treasury of said city, and said city shall, from said date, perform all the duties and have all the rights, powers and privileges by law conferred upon said town, and all laws imposing such duties, burdens and expenses and conferring such rights, powers and privileges upon said town are hereby made applicable to said city, from said date, except as is herein otherwise provided.

SEC. 3. The town of Meriden, from said date, shall be exempted from the requirements of the general statutes concerning moneys to be paid to towns or to the treasurers or other officers of towns; and in said town all such moneys shall, unless herein otherwise provided, be paid to the treasurer of the city of Meriden, and all state, county, city and town officers and other persons or corporations, except as herein otherwise provided, are authorized and directed to pay to the treasurer of said city of Meriden all moneys to which the town of Meriden, or the treasurer or other officers of said town, would be entitled had this act not been passed. From September 1, 1921, to January 1, 1922, the affairs of the town of Meriden shall be conducted by the selectmen of said town and said selectmen may borrow such moneys, upon temporary loans to the town, as may be necessary to conduct the affairs of the town between said dates. All officers of the town of Meriden elected to office prior to or on the first Monday in October, 1921, shall hold office for the respective terms of which they have been elected and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, unless otherwise provided herein.

SEC. 4. No town meeting shall hereafter be held in the town of Meriden, except for the election of town officers herein provided, and to make appropriations to cover the expense of the town from September 1, 1921, to January 1, 1922. No appropriations shall be made by the town of Meriden for any purposes after the passage of this act. No officers of the town of Meriden shall hereafter be elected except as herein provided, and the town meeting for the election of town officers herein provided for shall be held as herein designated.

SEC. 5. All charter provisions, laws, ordinances, resolutions, orders, rules and regulations in force in the city of Meriden, at the time when

this act takes effect, not inconsistent with its provisions, shall continue in force until otherwise provided by law, ordinance, resolution, order or vote.

SEC. 6. The city of Meriden, for the purpose of taxation, is hereby divided into two districts. The first taxation district shall comprise all of the territory contained within the limits of the present city of Meriden: Beginning at a point on north line of the road formerly the Meriden and Middletown turnpike, one hundred and sixty-six rods and twenty links westerly from the junction of said road with the old Hartford and New Haven turnpike, and running south fifty degrees west, three hundred and twenty-eight rods; thence north fifty-eight and one-fourth degrees west, two hundred and seventy-eight rods; thence north thirty-nine and three-fourths degrees west, two hundred and three rods; thence north seven and one-half degrees east, one hundred and ninety-three rods; thence north fifty-three and three-fourths degrees east, three hundred and ninety-five rods; thence north eighty-seven and one-half degrees east, two hundred and fifty-one rods; thence south sixty-two degrees east, two hundred and fifty-eight rods; thence south twenty-six degrees west, four hundred and fifty-four rods, to place of beginning. The second taxation district shall comprise all of the remaining territory of said town of Meriden not included in the first taxation district.

SEC. 7. A general tax shall be annually laid upon the inhabitants and property within said city, for the purpose of meeting the obligations and expenses of said city, but all money required to be expended for the care and maintenance of the water department and sewer and park systems and their extensions, the expense of the police and fire departments, the interest and sinking fund upon the debt of the first taxation district, and such other appropriations as are necessary for the special benefit of said first taxation district, or for any public work or purpose which is for the exclusive benefit or use of the inhabitants or property within the first taxation district, shall be raised by taxation upon the inhabitants and property within the said first taxation district only.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of the assessors to make a separate list of the property taxable within each taxation district of said city. The assessors of the city of Meriden shall, on or before the fifteenth day of September, annually, publish in one or more newspapers published in said city, a notice requiring all persons therein liable to pay taxes to bring in written or printed lists of the taxable property belonging to each of them on the first day of October, in that year. Each resident of the city of Meriden liable to give in a list and pay taxes therein shall give in the list required by section 1132 of the general statutes and amendments thereof. The property of any trading, mercantile, manufacturing or mechanical business shall be assessed and valued as provided by section 1214 of the general statutes, provided the general amount of goods kept on hand for sale during the year, or any portion of the

year when the business has not been carried on for a year previous to the first day of October, shall be the rule of assessment and taxation in said city.

SEC. 9. Said city of Meriden shall not have the power to order to be made any new street, sewer, curb, gutter, sidewalk or other public improvement of any kind, including the provision of water service, within or upon the territory added to limits of said city by consolidation except upon the written application of not less than seventy-five per centum of the owners of real estate within the territory immediately affected.

SEC. 10. All official bonds, recognizance, obligations, contracts and other instruments entered into or executed by or to the city before this act takes effect, and all taxes, special assessments, fines, penalties or forfeitures due to the city shall be enforced or collected, and all writs, prosecutions, actions and causes of action, except as herein otherwise provided, shall remain unaffected by this act.

SEC. 11. No rights, privileges, or immunities vested in the city of Meriden, or in any person against said city shall be impaired hereby, and all actions brought against said city, or any prosecutions for the violation of any ordinance or by-law, shall be proceeded with, and all offenses committed or penalties incurred shall be prosecuted as though this act had not been passed.

SEC. 12. Except as otherwise provided in this act, the form of government existing in the city of Meriden at the time of the adoption of this charter shall continue unaltered, and all officers and other persons in the service of the city at the time this charter takes effect shall continue to serve, and to receive the compensation therefor as prescribed by law or by ordinance, and to exercise the powers and jurisdiction theretofore possessed by them until the elective officers of said city first elected under the provisions of this act have qualified. Upon the qualification of such elective officers the term of office of every officer or other person in the service of the city at the time this act takes effect shall terminate, but all such officers shall continue to draw compensation at the same rate, and to exercise authority and jurisdiction as theretofore, until replaced or until the city council shall otherwise provide.

SEC. 13. On and after January 1, 1922, the tax collector of the city of Meriden shall perform all the duties imposed by law or ordinance on the tax collector of the town of Meriden. He shall also collect water rents and all other charges against property owners.

SEC. 14. The sheriffs of the city shall, within the limits of the town and city of Meriden, have the same authority, both criminal and civil, and be subjected to the same liabilities and penalties as constables of towns. Said sheriffs shall serve notices or orders of the court of common council when directed by the clerk and shall collect such bills and assessments as the court of common council may order; and they shall receive for all services rendered the legal fees provided by the general statutes for constables of towns.

SEC. 15. The powers, duties and responsibilities of the town clerk, registrars of voters and constables shall be as are now by law conferred and imposed upon said officers of towns.

SEC. 16. All duties now required by law to be performed by selectmen of towns, except such as are imposed upon them by the constitution of the state, shall be performed by the court of common council or as otherwise herein provided.

SEC. 17. The powers, jurisdiction and duties now conferred upon all city officers, either elective or appointive, by the statutes of the state or by any other legislative act of this state, shall be extended to the city limits as set forth in sections one to twenty-three, inclusive.

SEC. 18. All water rents and charges due and payable to the city shall be and remain a lien upon the property and premises from the date when said rents and charges became due and payable, or upon property on which water was used, or charge for the same was made, which lien shall be continued by certificate made by the collector of taxes, signed by the mayor or tax collector, and recorded in the manner provided in respect to assessments, and may be foreclosed in like manner. The court of common council may by ordinance impose penalties by way of interest, shutting off the water or otherwise, upon delinquents for non-payment of water rates, and charges, taxes and assessments after the date when the same becomes due and payable; provided the rate of interest shall not exceed that fixed by the general statutes for taxes after the date on which the same are due and payable.

SEC. 19. The powers heretofore vested in the town of Meriden, its justices of the peace and selectmen, relative to the admission of persons to settlement therein, and all other powers and duties prescribed by law for the selectmen of towns, shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be exercised and performed by the court of common council of said city.

SEC. 20. Said city shall have power to accept gifts and administer trusts for all purposes within the scope of the authorized powers of the municipal corporations.

SEC. 21. All powers, duties and liabilities formerly vested in and imposed upon the town of Meriden respecting highways, private ways, bridges and paupers, shall hereafter be transferred to and imposed upon the city of Meriden. All provisions of the charter of said city of Meriden concerning highways, private ways and bridges shall hereafter be extended to and made to apply to all territory within the limits of the city of Meriden as extended herein.

SEC. 22. All the rights, powers, franchises, privileges and immunities heretofore granted to the city of Meriden, and to the board of water commissioners of said city of Meriden, in relation to the taking of water, construction, maintenance and operation of water works, and supplying water for the use of said city and the inhabitants thereof, are hereby vested in and confirmed to said city of Meriden, and all property,

rights and interests heretofore acquired by the city of Meriden, or the board of water commissioners of said city of Meriden for the purpose of supplying water to said city and the inhabitants thereof, shall be vested exclusively in said city of Meriden, and all the bonds of said city of Meriden constituting "the water fund of the city of Meriden," shall be valid and obligatory on said city and the inhabitants thereof to the same extent as if this act had not been passed. A separate account shall be kept of all money received or in any way derived from said water works, and the same shall only be used for the payment of cost of constructing additional water works, dams and reservoirs; the ordinary and current expenses of said water works, including salaries of officers, agents and employecs; the repair and maintenance of the works and the extension of pipes into new localities; the payment of interest upon the bonds constituting the water fund of the city of Meriden; and any surplus remaining after thus applying the money received and derived from said water works, shall be applied to the payment of the bonds aforesaid, or the establishment of a sinking fund for their payment and extinguishment.

SEC. 23. All the bonds heretofore issued by the town or city of Meriden under the various provisions of law authorizing the same are hereby expressly ratified and declared to be in effect, unless the same shall have heretofore been paid, and all provisions of law authorizing the issuing of such bonds are hereby ratified and confirmed.

GOVERNMENT.

SEC. 24. The government of said city shall be administered by a mayor, a court of common council composed of ten aldermen and twenty councilmen, and the several officers and boards hereinafter named, who shall be elected or appointed and shall have, exercise and perform the powers and duties as herein provided.

SEC. 25. All those persons residing in said city as hereby constituted having the qualifications and who have complied with the requirements of the laws of this state which would entitle them to vote at electors' meetings in the town of Meriden shall be entitled to vote at all electors' meetings held in said city. All elections held within said city shall be held pursuant to the general election laws of the state. Biennial meetings of said city for the election of city officers and town officers under constitutional provisions, shall be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday of December, commencing in 1921. Special elections for any necessary and lawful purposes may be held at any other times as the court of common council may order by a majority vote of all its members on a call of the mayor, and except as herein provided no meetings of said city or of the town of Meriden shall hereafter be held. All such elections shall be warned in the manner prescribed by the general laws of the state, or by ordinance of said city not inconsistent therewith.

At said first biennial election, the electors qualified as aforesaid, shall vote in the wards in which they respectively resided at the time of the completion of the last revised registry lists of the town of Meriden and said lists shall be the registry list for said first election of said city. At all subsequent city elections said electors shall vote in the wards or voting districts in which their names as registered appear upon the registry lists last completed before such election. And only those persons shall vote whose names appear on such registry lists or are entitled by law to be added thereto. The moderator of the first ward or voting district of said city shall be the presiding officer for the purpose of declaring and making return of the result of the polls at any and all elections, and the moderators of the other wards or voting districts shall be assistant presiding officers who shall declare the result of their respective polls and make return thereof to said presiding officer. Electors of the fourth ward may vote in the city hall building, and those of other wards or voting districts may by ordinance be empowered to vote at places outside their respective districts, but such ordinance shall not take effect within ninety days of any election. At all city elections a plurality of the votes cast for officers shall elect the persons receiving them; upon questions, a majority of the votes cast thereon shall determine the election. At such biennial meeting of said city there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof, from their number at large, a mayor, a city clerk, a city treasurer, three selectmen, two registrars of voters, three members of the board of relief and five members of the board of education, or as otherwise herein proposed. No person shall vote for more than two selectmen and one registrar of voters. Said officers shall hold said respective offices for the term of two years inclusive from the first Monday of January next succeeding such election, and until their successors are elected and qualified. In case of a vacancy occurring in any of the above mentioned offices by failure to qualify, death, resignation or removal, the court of common council shall by a majority vote fill such vacancy for the unexpired term from among the electors of the city at large. Every officer of said city shall, before he enters upon the execution of his office, make oath or affirmation before some competent authority that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of his office to the best of his ability and according to law.

WARD BOUNDARIES.

SEC. 26. The city of Meriden shall be divided into five wards and said wards shall be voting districts at all electors' meetings to be held in the town of Meriden. Said wards shall be designated and described as follows: First ward; second ward; third ward; fourth ward; fifth ward.

SEC. 27. The first ward shall comprise so much of said city as is included within the following boundaries: A line commencing at the

intersection of Main and Center streets; thence through Center street to Colony street; thence through Colony street to Main street; thence through Main street to the point of commencement. The second ward shall comprise so much of said city as is included within the following boundaries: Commencing at the point on the northerly line of said city as herein extended where the main track of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company crosses said line; thence along said track to Colony street; thence through Colony street to Main street; thence through West Main street to the city line as herein extended; thence along said westerly city line to the point of commencement. The third ward shall comprise so much of said city as is included within the following boundaries: Commencing at the point where the southerly line of said city as herein extended intersects the easterly side of the main line of track of said New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company; thence along the line of said track northerly to the center of Main street; thence along the center line of West Main street to the westerly line of said city; thence southerly and easterly along said westerly city line to the point of commencement. The fourth ward shall comprise so much of said city as is included within the following boundaries: Commencing at the point in the southerly line of said city as herein extended described as the point of commencement of the third ward boundary; thence along the easterly boundary of the third ward to the center of Main street; thence along the center line of East Main street to the easterly line of said city as herein extended; thence along said city line southerly and westerly to the place of beginning. The fifth ward shall comprise so much of said city as is included within the following boundaries: Commencing at the point where the northerly line of said city as herein extended intersects the westerly side of the main track of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company; thence along the westerly line of said track southerly to the center of Colony street; thence along the center line of Center street to East Main street; thence easterly through the center line of East Main street to the easterly line of said city as herein extended; and thence along the easterly and northerly line of said city as hereby extended to the place of beginning.

SEC. 28. The mayor and court of common council of the city of Meriden may, whenever they shall deem it desirable, provide by ordinance for the additional voting districts in any of the wards in said city of Meriden in which there are more than sixteen hundred electors, by dividing each of said wards into two or more such districts; provided no district so established shall contain less than seven hundred electors.

TOWN AND CITY CLERK.

SEC. 29. On and after January 1, 1922, the city clerk of the city of Meriden shall perform all the duties imposed by law or ordinance on

the town clerk of the town of Meriden prior to said date, except the naming of electors.

SEC. 30. The city clerk shall be also town clerk of said town. He shall exercise and perform all the powers and duties prescribed for town clerks by the laws of the state, and may appoint and remove at pleasure one or more assistant city clerks who shall, at his direction, perform all the duties of town and city clerk. Said clerk shall be the clerk of the court of common council and of all city boards except as provided herein. He shall make and keep true records of all votes, resolutions, orders, ordinances and proceedings of said city and of the court of common council and of all other city boards of which he shall be clerk as provided herein. He shall cause to be published all ordinances and orders of said city and its boards and officers requiring publication, according to law, and keep records of the same. He shall notify all city and town officers of their election within five days after an election. He shall keep records of the service of all notices of orders passed by the court of common council. He shall perform all duties required by city ordinances, the laws of the state, or the orders of the court of common council or any of the city boards.

SEC. 31. He shall issue over his signature such licenses or permits as may be granted by the court of common council or prescribed by city ordinance, keep a record thereof and collect and pay over monthly to the treasurer such fees as belong to the city. He shall act as comptroller of the accounts of the city and record all charter amendments. He shall number all bills and claims approved by the court of common council and city boards of which he is clerk, enter, file or record the same, and draw his orders on the treasurer for the several amounts due, taking and filing receipts therefor.

SEC. 32. He and his assistants shall have power to administer oaths, take affidavits and acknowledgments and all records of said clerk or copies certified by him or his assistants shall have the same validity as records of town clerks and shall be received in evidence in all courts.

SEC. 33. He shall keep accounts of all receipts and expenditures of the city during each fiscal year arranged in such manner and under such heads or branches of expenditures as to exhibit accurately and fully the financial condition of the city government and of its several departments, and shall report to the various boards, when required, the amount expended under each branch of city expenditure up to the times of such reports and shall keep his office open during such hours as the court of common council may order. The court of common council shall fix the compensation of the assistant clerks and may provide such other assistance as may be deemed necessary and fix the compensation therefor, and said city shall pay the office expenses of the city clerk when approved by the court of common council.

SEC. 34. Said city clerk shall be registrar of births, marriages and deaths.

CITY TREASURER.

Sec. 35. The treasurer of said city shall have and exercise all the powers and perform all the duties prescribed for treasurers of towns and cities, by the general statutes and in addition such powers and duties as shall be prescribed by the court of common council. He shall sign and the mayor shall countersign all notes and bonds of said city. He shall, at the end of each fiscal year, on or before October tenth, and at other times as required, report to the court of common council or the board of apportionment and taxation a detailed statement of the receipts of money into the city treasury and expenditures therefrom, with an accurate statement of the condition of the treasury. Such yearly report shall be audited and published as may be ordered by the court of common council. He shall keep full books of record of all his receipts and disbursements, with the dates, amounts, names of payees and times of payment of all moneys borrowed by the city by notes or otherwise. He shall pay all orders drawn on him lawfully by proper authority and comply with all lawful orders of the several city boards and the provisions of the charter and ordinances relative to his office. He shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, give bond to the city in such amount and on such terms as the court of common council by order or ordinance may prescribe. He shall have authority to arrange for the borrowing of money by said city when empowered to do so by the court of common council.

SCHOOLS.

Sec. 36. Said city shall be a consolidated school district, and all the powers, obligations, rights and property of the town, whether as a town or consolidated school district, shall be vested in said city.

Sec. 37. There shall be a board of education in said city and the same shall consist of five members. The present members of the school committee shall continue in office until their successors are duly elected and qualified under this act.

Sec. 38. At the first election after the adoption of this charter, there shall be elected from the qualified voters of said city, five members to the board of education whose term of office shall be as follows: The candidate receiving the largest number of votes at said election shall hold office for a term of six years; the two candidates receiving the next largest numbers of votes shall hold office for a term of four years; and the two candidates receiving the next largest numbers of votes shall hold office for two years, next after their election and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Biennially there shall be nominated from said qualified electors, by any political party, the same number of candidates for said board of education as there are vacancies occurring in such years, and the candidate or candidates, as the case may be, receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected for a like term. At said elections each elector shall vote for not more than the number of said members of said board to be elected.

BOARD OF RELIEF.

SEC. 39. On the Tuesday after the first Monday in December, 1921, and biennially thereafter, the electors of the city of Meriden shall elect a board of relief consisting of three members, for a term of two years. They shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties prescribed for boards of relief by the general statutes. They shall keep correct minutes of their meetings and shall file a report of their findings with the board of assessors and the city clerk at the completion of their work. All members of said board of relief shall be resident electors and taxpayers of said city. Two members shall form a quorum of said board, and the concurrence of two votes shall be necessary for the transaction of its business. Each political party shall nominate as many nominees as there are vacancies occurring and the candidate or candidates as the case may be receiving the largest number of votes at each election shall be declared elected. Said members so elected shall hold office for a term of two years after the date of their election and until their successors are elected and qualified. At such elections each elector shall vote for not more than the number of said members of said board to be elected.

SEC. 40. Said board of relief shall have the same powers and duties which the board of relief of the town of Meriden would have had if this act had not been passed.

SEC. 41. The board of relief shall hear all appeals from the doings of the assessors, in the manner now by law provided as to appeals from assessments of town taxes.

SEC. 42. The members of the board of relief elected by the town of Meriden shall continue in office until their successors are duly elected and qualified and shall perform all the duties of a board of relief for the city of Meriden.

SEC. 43. Special meetings of said board may be called by the mayor at any time upon reasonable notice to the members, and shall be called at any time upon the written request of a majority of the members of said board.

ELECTIONS.

SEC. 44. The biennial meeting of said city for the election of all city and town officers shall be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in December in each alternate year, beginning in the year 1921. At said city election, those electors of this state whose names shall appear upon the completed registry list as herein provided shall be entitled to vote and no other person shall vote at said election, except as may be otherwise provided by law. Said biennial city election shall be warned as provided by law or the by-laws of said city and shall be held for the purpose of voting upon any question to be lawfully submitted and for the election of town and city officers. The polls shall be opened at six o'clock in the forenoon and shall continue open until five o'clock in the

afternoon; and the qualified voters shall vote in the wards or districts as their names shall appear upon the registry lists to be used at said elections.

SEC. 45. The registrars of voters of the town of Meriden shall be the registrars of said city and each of said registrars shall, at least thirty days before the biennial city meeting, appoint and employ one or more assistant registrars in and for each ward in said city; and said registrars, with the help of their assistants, shall prepare for use at each biennial election of said city the necessary registry lists as herein provided. Such elections shall be conducted in the same manner as is now provided by law for town elections, and with the election officials provided by law.

SEC. 46. At the biennial city election to be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in December, 1921, and biennially thereafter, there shall be elected by the qualified voters of said city from among their number, by a plurality vote, a mayor, city clerk, treasurer, three selectmen, two registrars of voters, five constables and fifteen justices of the peace; and the qualified voters in each ward shall further elect in like manner from among their number one alderman and two councilmen for terms of two years.

SEC. 47. The aldermen and councilmen holding said positions in the court of common council as constituted on the first Tuesday of December, 1921, whose terms of office therein expire under the terms of the preceding city charter of Meriden on the first Monday of January, 1922, shall continue, by virtue of this express stipulation herein contained, to hold their respective offices as aldermen and councilmen until the first Tuesday of January, 1923, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

SEC. 48. The selectmen, registrars of voters and constables elected at said biennial city elections shall be elected under the provisions of the general statutes governing the election of such town officials.

SEC. 49. Any other necessary town or city official whose election or appointment to office is not herein provided for shall be elected or appointed by the court of common council.

SEC. 50. The registrars of voters of the town of Meriden shall, on Thursday of the third week before the annual election to be held in said city in the year 1921, and biennially thereafter, complete a correct and revised list of all electors in said city and in the wards and voting districts therein who shall be entitled to vote at such election and on said date hold a meeting at some place within said city from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon of which notice shall be given in the manner provided in section 1604 of the general statutes, at which meeting they shall place on the list under the title "To be made," the names of those persons by whom, or in whose behalf, a claim is made to either registrar in the manner provided in section 1602 of the general statutes, that they will be entitled to be made electors in said city before the day of said city meeting. Such lists shall be prepared as

provided in chapter 103 of the general statutes. The selectmen and town clerk of the town of Meriden shall hold a session, to examine the qualifications of electors and admit to the elector's oath those who shall be found qualified, on the Thursday of the third week before the city election held in the year 1921, and biennially thereafter, from nine o'clock in the forenoon until eight o'clock in the afternoon, and on the following Friday and Saturday if such action shall be found necessary by the board of registration and during such hours as the board may determine. They shall not have power to admit to the elector's oath any person whose name is not on the "To be made" list, as herein provided.

SEC. 51. The registrars shall also restore to the list of electors the names of those persons who have formerly been admitted or registered as electors in the town of Meriden and who have resided in the state for the one year and in the town of Meriden the six months next preceding such annual election.

SEC. 52. Said registrars of voters shall, in all other respects, have and perform all the powers and duties prescribed by law for registrars of voters in towns, or by the ordinances of said city.

ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.

SEC. 53. At all meetings of the board of relief one or more of the assessors shall be in attendance and shall answer all questions and give all information required by said board as to the assessment by them made. Said assessment as revised and amended by the board of relief shall be lodged in the office of the city clerk on or before the first day of March in each year.

SEC. 54. The board of apportionment and taxation at a regular meeting thereof held within twenty days of the date of the completion of the tax assessment herein provided for, shall lay a tax upon the ratable estate within said city, contained in said assessment, to an amount sufficient to meet and provide for the appropriations made by the board of apportionment and taxation to meet the expenses of the ensuing fiscal year, and covering also an amount estimated to be sufficient to cover any taxes in said city or town which may be found to be uncollectible, and such legal abatements as may be ordered by the court of common council upon the assessment list upon which said uncollectible taxes were levied, together with an amount sufficient to cover the principal of any bonds of said city and of the town of Meriden which may become due and payable during said fiscal year and for the payment of which no other provisions shall have been made, and interest on all bonds, obligations and indebtedness of said city and town, and whatever may by law be required for sinking funds in said city and town. At said meeting the board of apportionment and taxation shall, by a majority vote of those present and voting, determine the rate of tax upon the taxable estate, real and personal, in said city.

SEC. 55. Should any special or further appropriation be made by the board of apportionment and taxation of said city of Meriden, as hereinbefore provided, then said court of common council shall lay a special tax upon the ratable estate within said city contained in the assessment list last completed, and shall determine the rate of the same upon the taxable estate in said city as hereinbefore provided, and shall determine a day or days on which said tax shall be due and payable.

SEC. 56. The taxes laid annually by the board of apportionment and taxation for the city of Meriden and any special taxes at any time laid, shall be laid upon the list of the city of Meriden last completed. Whenever the rate of tax shall be determined as herein provided it shall be final for the year for which it is so determined.

SEC. 57. The annual tax as laid by the board of apportionment and taxation, as provided herein, shall be due and payable semi-annually on days to be determined by said board.

SEC. 58. All special taxes laid by said board of apportionment and taxation shall be due and payable on such day as said board of apportionment and taxation shall designate at the time of laying said special tax, and upon any special tax being laid the collector of taxes for said city shall publish a notice of the time when said tax shall be due and payable, by advertising the same in at least two newspapers published in said city at least six successive days preceding the time when said special tax is due and payable.

SEC. 59. The collector of taxes of said city shall publish a notice of the time and place at which he will receive all taxes, by advertising in at least two newspapers published in said city for six successive days preceding the time in such notice appointed, and by posting upon the signposts within the limits of said city, or in such other place or places as may be designated by the court of common council, a written or printed copy of said notice.

SEC. 60. If any tax laid by said board of apportionment and taxation shall remain unpaid for one month after the same shall become due and payable, interest at the rate of nine per centum per annum shall be charged from the time when such tax becomes due until the same shall be paid, which shall be collectible as a part of said tax; and the collector of taxes shall keep a correct and separate account of all such additions, and the time when the same may be received, and shall pay over the same as a part of said tax.

SEC. 61. All taxes properly assessed by said board of apportionment and taxation shall become a debt due from the person or corporation against whom they are assessed to said city of Meriden, and may, in addition to the other remedies now provided by law, be recovered in any proper action in the name of said city; but the bringing of such action shall in no wise affect the life or validity of the lien for said taxes or the right to bring action of foreclosure for the same as now provided by law.

SEC. 62. If any person shall fail to pay any tax properly assessed and payable, said collector of taxes for the city of Meriden shall, if such person be a resident of said Meriden, make demand of him therefor or leave written demand at his place of abode. If such person be not a resident of said Meriden, the collector of taxes shall make demand of him therefor, or deposit in the postoffice in said Meriden a written demand for said tax, postage prepaid, addressed to such person at his last-known place of residence. After demand shall have been made in the manner above provided, said collector may levy for said taxes on any taxable goods or chattels of such person, and post and sell the same in the manner provided in case of execution; but if any such goods or chattels belonging to such person cannot be found after reasonable search on the part of said collector, he may enforce by levy and sale any lien upon real estate assessed for said taxes, or he may levy upon and sell such interest of the person in any real estate as exists at the date of the levy, or he may levy on the body of such person and commit him to jail, there to remain until he shall pay such tax and the legal costs, or be discharged in due course of law.

GENERAL POWERS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

SEC. 63. The court of common council may take by right of eminent domain, in the name of the city of Meriden, any property or property rights which may be needed for the purpose of laying out, extending or widening any street or park; creating any park or recreation grounds; constructing or protecting any sewer, drain or other property; or for any other public use, upon making compensation therefor.

SEC. 64. The court of common council may exercise the right of eminent domain with the power to assess benefits and damages for the purpose of establishing building lines, street lines, street and sidewalk grade lines and curb lines, the construction of fire houses, the laying of water pipes, gas pipes, electric wires, conduits, surface drains and sewers, whenever such work is engaged in by the municipality, and to order the construction of sidewalks and curbing, and to assess the cost or part thereof upon persons or property benefited thereby.

SEC. 65. The court of common council shall have power to regulate the erection of buildings, the inspection of plumbing, the inspection and sale of milk and other foods, and the licensing of vendors and dealers.

SEC. 66. Said court of common council shall have power, in the manner provided in this act, to make, alter, repeal and enforce any ordinance, not inconsistent with this act, which it may deem conducive to the general health, peace, good order, welfare and safety of the inhabitants of said city and for the protection of the property therein, and may prescribe fines, penalties and forfeitures of goods and chattels for the violation of any such ordinance.

SEC. 67. The court of common council shall have power to make, alter and repeal ordinances and by-laws, not inconsistent with the pro-

visions herein contained, relative to the care and support of the poor; the filling, for an unexpired term, of vacancies which may occur in the office of town clerk or registrar of voters or any other town office not herein otherwise provided for; and to do any and all things which may be required to be done by towns or the selectmen of towns or other officers of towns, and not herein otherwise provided for.

SEC. 68. The violation of any ordinance imposing a fine may be prosecuted before any court having jurisdiction of the offense.

SEC. 69. All grants and leases of real estate, belonging to said city, authorized by the court of common council, signed by the mayor, and sealed with the city seal, shall be effectual to convey such estate.

SEC. 70. The court of common council is empowered to authorize the treasurer of said city to obtain temporary loans in anticipation of the collection of the taxes of the municipal year in which debts are incurred, and to make, alter, repeal and enforce ordinances relative to such subject.

SEC. 71. The court of common council may, by a two-thirds vote of all its members, present and absent, direct and empower the treasurer to borrow, in behalf of said city, such sums of money as may be required to discharge its obligations necessarily incurred and existing after the annual appropriations made by the board of apportionment and taxation, but not included in such appropriations and to execute a note or notes therefor. The board of apportionment and taxation may determine whether the means of procuring the money necessary to pay the indebtedness accruing from such borrowing shall be by a special tax levy or by including the same in the next annual appropriation. Any note executed under the authority herein conferred shall be designated "City of Meriden, Emergency Note," and payment thereof shall be made from taxes thereafter levied and collected.

SEC. 72. The court of common council shall have power by the vote of a majority of its members, subject to the veto power of the mayor, to exercise the powers herein conferred and specified: To make, adopt, alter and repeal by-laws, ordinances and resolutions for the purpose of carrying the same into effect, not inconsistent with this act, and to prescribe penalties not exceeding a fine of one hundred dollars or thirty days' imprisonment in the city workhouse or county jail, or both, for any violation of the same, to be proceeded against as in other criminal cases; said by-laws and ordinances and resolutions may be for any of the following purposes: To manage, regulate and control the city finances and property; to borrow money and direct the borrowing of money; to fix assessments, the times of payment thereof, and to regulate the collection of city taxes and assessments and the enforcement of liens therefor; to provide for the execution and delivery of deeds, grants and releases of city property and of contracts and evidences of indebtedness of said city; to provide for the mode of keeping the accounts and paying the claims of the said city; to preserve the public peace and order, to prevent and quell riots and disorderly assemblies, and suppress gambling

and disorderly houses within said city; to regulate the construction and mode and the materials used for buildings and structures and alterations of the same in any part of said city, and the mode of using and heating the same for the purpose of protecting against fire, accident or injury to persons or property; to grant and require permits for the erection, repair, alteration, addition to, enlargement, or moving of buildings, structures and works in said city and prohibit the same without such permit; to designate and establish districts within said city within which it shall be unlawful to erect or remove any wooden or unsafe building or structure or one constructed of material other than those specified, and to provide for and enforce the disuse, removal or demolition of the same; to provide for the submission of plans and specifications with all petitions and applications for the erection, repair or alteration of all buildings and structures and the granting or refusal thereof; to regulate and provide for fire escapes and means of safe egress, from and upon all hotels, theatres, buildings and places of public use and resort and to prohibit their use when for any cause, they are deemed unsafe; to regulate and license the use, sale and keeping of dangerous machines, agencies or commodities, explosives, firearms, weapons or inflammable materials, and to prohibit their use; to provide and supply reservoirs, water and water works for the city, to maintain public lighting; to provide for the laying out, establishing, improving, altering, grading, maintaining and discontinuing highways, streets, walks, bridges, public grounds, squares, parks, drains, sewers and gutters, and the draining, filling and raising of swamps and lowlands; to provide for the assessment of all damages and benefits for any public works or improvements, and for the payment thereof and for liens therefor upon the estates thereby benefited, and to prescribe the forms and proceedings for the assessing of damages and benefits in all cases of the taking of lands, property or rights for public use; to keep open and safe for public use, free from obstruction or encroachment, all public places, grounds and buildings; to prescribe the width, grade and height of streets, highways, curbs, gutters and sidewalks and the materials and manner of their construction; to regulate, license and prohibit shows, assemblies, parades, processions and music in public street and places, and places of amusement; to regulate the erection of poles or the stringing of wires thereon, or in conduits, for telegraph, telephone, lighting, railway or other purposes; to regulate the speed at which animals, vehicles, railway or street cars, or conveyances shall be ridden, run or driven through said city or in the streets and public places thereof; to provide for the restraining, muzzling, licensing or killing of dogs; to regulate or prohibit the running at large of dogs or other animals and provide for their impounding; to license and regulate public hacks, carriages, motor conveyances and trucks and the charges therefor, and regulate public stands for the same; to regulate, license or prohibit the excavation or opening of streets, highways or public grounds for public or private purposes and the loca-

tion of any work or thing therein or over or under the surface of the same for permanent or temporary purposes; to regulate the removal of buildings or structures upon or through the same, the laying of pipes, drains and conduits and the planting or removal of trees, plants and shrubs therein; to provide for the fencing of lands fronting on public streets or places; to regulate, license or prohibit the posting or distribution of bills and advertising in the streets and public places, or on bill boards, the peddling or vending of goods, wares and merchandise in streets or public places, or by itinerant merchants or peddlers; to provide for the paving, repair, construction, cleaning, oiling and sprinkling of streets, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, and for the assessment and payment of the costs and charges thereof against the abutting property and by the owners thereof; to regulate, abate or prohibit nuisances, the sounding of bells, whistles, the crying of goods or other offensive noises; to require owners of abutting property and buildings to make connections with gas, sewer, water or other pipes, or with drains, electric or other underground wires, inside their curb lines when permanent improvements on streets or highways are ordered; to regulate the use of sidewalks and all structures on or over the same and to require the owners or occupants of premises to keep sidewalks clean of snow and ice, rubbish and other obstructions and to prescribe hours for cleaning the same; to regulate or prohibit the depositing or throwing of rubbish, liquids or materials of any kind in the street or public places and the use of streets, sidewalks and public places for signs, awnings, poles, posts, steps, railing, racks, entrances, materials or the display of merchandise; to regulate the numbering of houses, buildings and lots and the naming of streets, ways and public places whenever safety or convenience requires it; to regulate the width of vehicles and tires and the kind thereof, and the weight of loads, on the public streets; to provide for the public health and concerning contagious and infectious diseases, quarantine regulations, the inspection of food and the weight and measurement of foods and merchandise on sale; to regulate or prohibit the construction, location or use of, or order the removal of, sinks, drains, sewers, cess-pools, outhouses, barns, stables and regulate or prohibit businesses, trades, manufactures, occupations or the use of any substances or things offensive or injurious to the public or those residing in the vicinity, at the expense of the persons owning or maintaining the same or the premises upon which they are situated; to provide for the inspection of plumbing, water, sewerage, gas, electric or other fixtures, connecting pipes, lines or wires on private property or elsewhere, and to compel those owning or maintaining the same to repair or make them secure; to license and regulate auctions, stores, concerns and businesses of an itinerant or temporary nature; to require bonds from all persons undertaking or engaged in works of a dangerous nature as security against damage or injury to the city, or to persons or property, and to regulate the conduct of such work; to regulate the burial, removal or disinterment of the dead, and to pro-

vide for the protection and care of burial places and monuments; to regulate and compel the closing of billiard and bowling places, theatres and all places of public resort, at such hours and times as the public good may require; to protect the public buildings, places and property from injury or defacement; to prohibit all immoral or indecent sports or exhibitions, or bathing in public or exposed places; to establish and maintain public bathing houses and lavatories; to regulate coasting, sliding, sports and play on the streets, sidewalks, parks and public places; to restrain and punish beggars, vagrants and cruelty to animals; to accept, receive, hold and enjoy gifts, bequests and donations for public purposes and trusts and to agree to and prescribe terms and conditions in relation to the same; to make appropriations for public amusements, parades, receptions and celebrations to an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars, in any one year; to take, appropriate, divert, change or abolish all streams, water courses or channels, natural or artificial, within said city; to regulate the storing or piling of lumber, wood, coal or other combustible materials within said city; to create such offices, and elect thereto such officers as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the public business or as may be prescribed by ordinance; to prescribe the duties of all city officers and employees and fix their salaries and compensation except as herein otherwise provided, but no salary of any officer, so fixed, shall be raised or lowered during the official term of any incumbent; to provide for the warning, conduct and expense of city elections and the compensation of election officials; to regulate and provide for pounds and poundkeepers, concerning animals infected with disease, city boundaries and the perambulations of same, common lands, the admission of persons to settlement in said city, town agents and their duties, drainage, lost goods, strays, the enrollment of the military, damages to domestic animals and property by dogs and wild animals and bounties for the killing of wild animals, and all matters, not herein otherwise provided for, which by the general laws of the state are prescribed to be done or performed by the selectmen of towns; to provide, in conjunction with the board of apportionment and taxation, for issuing bonds of said city and for a sinking fund for its bonded or other debt; provided that the bonded indebtedness of said city shall not exceed five per centum of its total grand list; to provide for the holding and maintenance of the courts of said city and to pay the salaries of the officers of said courts and the necessary expenses thereof and generally to do all things necessary to exercise and make effective the powers herein and by general law conferred upon said city and upon cities and towns of the state; provided that nothing herein contained shall authorize the enactment of by-laws or ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with the statutes of the state now or hereafter to be enacted and that no by-law or ordinance shall take effect until public notice of the same has been given by advertisement for the time and in the manner prescribed herein. All boards, departments, committees and officers shall

annually submit to the court of common council a report of their actions and expenditures for the fiscal year, together with an estimate of the necessary expenditures for the ensuing year. Said statements and estimates as prepared by the different boards, departments, committees and officers of said city shall by them be submitted to the board of appointment and taxation.

MEETINGS AND PROCEDURE OF COMMON COUNCIL.

SEC. 73. The court of common council shall meet on the first Monday of every month, unless that day shall be a legal holiday other than the first of January, in which case the following day shall be the day of meeting. At the January meeting following the biennial election the court of common council shall by ballot elect the following officers to serve for a period not to exceed two years from the date of said meeting, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, unless said officers are sooner removed as herein provided; a president pro tempore, an auditor, a sealer of weights and measures, a tree warden, a board of compensation consisting of three members, a poundkeeper, a dog warden and such other officers necessary for the transaction of the public business as may be from time to time created by said court of common council or by law. In the event of the failure to elect any officer or officers at said meeting, said court of common council may, at its discretion, at any subsequent meeting, fill said vacancy or vacancies for the unexpired term. Said officers shall hold their respective offices for two years from the date of their election and until their successors are elected and qualified, unless sooner removed as herein provided. Their compensation shall be fixed by said court of common council subject to the provisions hereinbefore contained as to the raising or lowering of the compensation or salary of public officers.

SEC. 74. The mayor shall preside at the meetings of said court of common council and shall have a vote only in case of a tie. Said court of common council may be specially convened at any time by the mayor, or a special meeting shall be called by the mayor to be held within twenty-four hours after the presentation of a petition for the same, signed by three aldermen and six councilmen. The court of common council may determine the rules of its proceedings. A majority of all the members thereof shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day. Said court of common council shall not be specially convened unless written notice is given to all of the members of said court of common council by some proper officer, or left at the usual place of abode of the members, or read in their hearing. Said notice shall be given at least ten hours before said meeting. Said court of common council shall sit with open doors and shall cause the journal of its proceedings to be open to public inspection. In any case where the court of common council is to elect or appoint any officer, or to vote concerning the appointment or discharge of any officer,

said court of common council may, by majority vote of the members present, declare itself in executive session, and may thereupon direct that the room in which the council shall sit be cleared of all persons except those entitled to a seat with the council, as herein provided; but no business other than that relating to appointment to or removal from office shall be considered in such executive session. Every committee of the court of common council shall have power to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses, and the chairman of said committee shall have power to administer oaths, and wilful false swearing before it shall constitute the crime of perjury and may be punished as such. Every vote, resolution, order or ordinance, passed by said court of common council shall be transmitted to the mayor, who shall either approve it within six days, in which case it shall become operative and effectual, or shall disapprove it, in which latter case he shall return it to the clerk of said body, at or before the next regular meeting, with a statement of his objections, in writing; and after such statement has been read in said court of common council, said council shall proceed to reconsider its former vote on said measure. If, after such reconsideration by said council, it shall receive affirmative votes of two-thirds of those present and voting, such vote being by yeas and nays, it shall thereupon become operative without the approval of said mayor; otherwise it shall be of no effect. If said mayor shall refuse or neglect to signify his approval or disapproval of any such measure, so transmitted to him, within six days after its reception, such measure shall become operative as though approved by him.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

SEC. 75. No proposed by-law or ordinance of said city shall be voted upon by the court of common council until it shall have been referred to and reported upon to said council by a committee of said council, and if deemed advisable by said council, after a public hearing. Said committee shall give notice that a public hearing will be held by it upon said proposed by-law or ordinance, which notice shall set forth the title, object, the time and place of hearing thereon, and be published at least once before the date of said hearing in at least two daily newspapers published in said city.

SEC. 76. All by-laws or ordinances shall be published at least twice consecutively after their enactment by the court of common council in at least two daily newspapers published in said city, unless such publication shall by vote of said court of common council be ordered to be dispensed with, and no by-law or ordinance shall be of force or effect until one week after the date of its last publication as aforesaid, or until ten days after adoption when said by-law or ordinance is not published.

SEC. 77. No public improvement of any kind shall be ordered by the court of common council or any other authority or officer having power to authorize the same, or contract for the same, until an appro-

priation for said improvement has been duly made and funds to pay for the same have been provided and set apart for that purpose.

SEC. 78. Any person who receives a salary from the city of Meriden shall not be entitled to or receive or claim additional compensation for any work done or services rendered for or in behalf of the city of Meriden, excepting the city clerk in his capacity as town clerk, as is provided by the general statutes.

SEC. 79. All compensation allowed by the court of common council, the different boards, departments and committees for services rendered said city shall be subject to the approval of the board of apportionment and taxation.

BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT AND TAXATION.

SEC. 80. There shall be a board of apportionment and taxation consisting of twelve members besides the mayor, who shall be electors and taxpayers. The mayor shall choose and appoint the members of said board, and when vacancies shall occur, he shall fill them for the unexpired term. The mayor shall appoint all of said twelve members of said board on or before the first day of February, 1922, and shall designate four who shall serve for one year, four for two years, and four for three years, from the first day of February, 1922, and until their successors shall be chosen and qualified; and, annually thereafter, shall choose and appoint four members of said board who shall hold office for three years from the first day of February following and until their successors are chosen and qualified. The mayor shall be a member of said board by virtue of his office, and shall preside at all meetings of said board when present, but the board shall elect a president pro tempore to preside in his absence. The mayor or president pro tempore shall have power to compel the attendance of members by warrant duly signed by either of them, and served by any proper officer or policeman of the city. The board may designate the times for its meetings, and special meetings may be called by the mayor or president pro tempore by public notice published once in at least two newspapers published in the city three days prior thereto and by notice left with or at the usual place of abode of each member by an officer or an indifferent person. The city clerk shall be the clerk of said board, and shall keep true and complete record of all its doings. Said board may call for all information, including books and papers, in the possession of any board, commission, committee or officer of said city, and it is hereby made the duty of all said officers, and of all members of said boards, commissions and committees, to appear before said board in person, when summoned, and to furnish all facts and data written, printed or otherwise, concerning their several departments. The board shall have power to levy taxes on the polls and estates within the limits of said city, and such taxes shall be laid upon the grand list as decided upon by the assessors. Every board, committee or person having charge of any part of the

business of the city, shall on or before the Tuesday after the first Monday in January in each year, furnish to the clerk of said board an estimate of the amount of money required for the doing of such business during the ensuing year, giving all possible details, and also a statement of the amount expended during the year then closed. Such estimates and statements shall be classified by the clerk and submitted to a meeting of said board to be held within one week from the date of such submission. The board shall cause said estimates, so classified and submitted, to be published at least once in at least two daily newspapers in said city, and shall accompany said publication with a notice of the date upon which the board will meet to examine said estimates, and to hear any parties interested in relation thereto, which meetings shall be during the month of January. At some time during said month said board shall finally settle upon the estimates and make the appropriations for the ensuing year, and shall lay a tax to meet the same within one week after the board of relief files its final report, and shall fix the time when said tax shall become due and payable. The tax laid shall be divided into two equal payments to be payable six months apart, and said board may order discounts for advanced payment. Said appropriations as finally decided upon shall be entered by said clerk in a book kept for the purpose, and shall be at all reasonable hours open to inspection by all taxpayers; and each board, committee or person having charge of the expenditures of any moneys shall be notified of the amount appropriated for the particular department. If special appropriations in excess of those made at the January meeting of the board are required for any purpose, an estimate of same shall be prepared by the court of common council and submitted to the board of apportionment and taxation at a special meeting of said board called for that purpose, of which notice is given to each member of said board, as herein provided, and said board at such special meeting, or any adjournment thereof, shall have full power and authority to make any such appropriations, and to lay a special tax to meet the same, and said board may appropriate during the year at any special meetings which it may hold, sums not exceeding in the whole twenty-five thousand dollars without laying a special tax therefor. Any special tax so laid shall be laid upon the grand list of the city which shall have been made according to law next before the laying of such tax. No amount appropriated by the board of apportionment and taxation for one purpose, whether general or specific, shall be used or appropriated for any other purpose whatsoever, unless the same be allowed by said board of apportionment and taxation by proper resolution. All bonds of said city hereafter to be issued, shall be issued only in the following manner, whenever the court of common council shall deem it necessary or expedient that bonds of said city shall be issued for any public purpose or improvement. Said court of common council may call a meeting of the same by resolution, setting forth the purpose for which it is desirable to issue said

bonds, the proposed amount, denomination and terms of the same, at a place, day and hour, to be named in said resolution, which day shall not be less than ten days inclusive from the time and date of the passage of said resolution, and shall cause a like copy to be published at least twice in at least two daily newspapers published in said city, prior to the day mentioned in said resolution. Said meeting shall be public, and may be adjourned from time to time by said court of common council, and they shall hear all persons desiring to be heard thereon. At said meeting or at any adjourned meeting thereof the said court of common council may by a majority vote, of those present and voting, recommend to the board of apportionment and taxation the adoption of said resolution and the issuance of said bonds. Said board may adopt, reject, modify or amend said resolution.

SEC. 81. The board of apportionment and taxation, upon the completion of the grand lists, shall annually apportion such tax between the first and second taxation districts, designating those items in the annual recommendations of said board which shall be apportioned against the first and second taxation districts, and those items in the annual recommendation of said board which shall be apportioned against the first taxation district only. Upon such apportionments said board shall lay the general city tax and the special first district tax hereinbefore provided for, and prepare and sign proper rate bills therefor. Said board of apportionment and taxation shall annually include in the estimates for the first taxation district a sum sufficient to pay the interest on any bonds which may be issued by said city of Meriden to fund the present city debt, as herein provided, and may make provisions for the payment of such bonds. The taxes laid annually and any special tax shall be laid upon the lists of said city last completed. Whenever the rate of tax shall be determined as herein provided it shall be final for the year for which it is determined. The annual general tax and the annual special first taxation district tax laid by the board of apportionment and taxation of said city shall be paid semi-annually.

CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

SEC. 82. There shall be a department of health in said city consisting of a board of health and a health officer. The board of health shall consist of five electors. The mayor shall, on the first day of February next following the adoption of this charter, appoint five members on said board of health to serve for one, two, three, four and five years, respectively, from and after said date, and thereafter shall annually on the first day of February appoint one member to serve for five years from said date and until his successor is appointed. Said board shall convene at least once each month and shall take cognizance of all matters pertaining to the health of the people of the city and shall from time to time advise the mayor as to the health of the city and the activities and

needs of the department. A majority of the members of said board shall constitute a quorum. They shall appoint a full time health officer, with such experience and training in public health administration as meets with the approval of the state department of health. Said health officer shall act as a secretary of said board of health and as milk and food inspector. The term of office of the health officer shall be for two years from and after the date of his appointment and he shall perform all the duties required of a health officer by the laws of the state, the sanitary code and the ordinance of said city. He shall devote his entire time to these duties and to the promotion of health and general well-being of the citizens of said city. He shall make each month a report in writing to the board of health, which report shall summarize the health conditions of the city for the preceding month, the activities of the department and its expenditures. He shall annually submit a detailed report to the mayor, or court of common council, as required of executives of other departments of said city. He may, with the advice and consent of the board of health, appoint such clerical or other assistants as are deemed necessary for the protection and preservation of public health and may determine the compensation they shall receive. The health officer shall be paid an annual salary with necessary expenses, said salary to be fixed by the mayor and the members of the board of health.

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

SEC. 83. There shall be a board of public safety in said city, which from and after the first Monday of February, 1922, shall consist of four resident electors of said city. The mayor shall be ex-officio a member of said board. On or before the first day of February, 1922, the mayor shall appoint two members of said board to serve for one year and two members to serve for two years, from and after said first Monday of February following, and annually thereafter he shall appoint two members of said board to serve for two years from and after the first Monday in February and until their successors are appointed. Said board shall annually elect a president from its own number who shall preside at its meetings in the absence or disability of the mayor. Three members of said board shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of three votes shall be necessary for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may meet and adjourn from time to time. Said board shall hold meetings at least once each month and at such other times as it may determine. Special meetings of the board may be called at any time by the mayor or the president upon reasonable notice to the members and shall be called upon the written request of a majority of the members of said board. Said board shall have control, management and supervision of the police and fire departments of said city, and all property belonging to or used in said departments. Said board shall have power to purchase all supplies and equipment necessary for the management of said depart-

ments; to appoint, remove, suspend, discipline and punish, and to prescribe the duties of all officers and members, whether regular, supernumerary or call, of said police and fire departments, and to fix their salaries and compensation; to make all rules and regulations it may deem necessary consistent with the provisions hereof, for the regulation and government of said departments. It shall enforce and carry into effect all ordinances, by-laws, resolutions and directions of the court of common council, and all laws of the state with reference to the safety of said city. It shall keep and preserve detailed records, files and minutes of all its proceedings, of all work, property and expenditures in said fire and police departments, and said files, records and minutes or certified copies thereof shall be accepted as evidence in all courts and proceedings. It shall have power to summon and examine witnesses as in civil actions and compel the production of books and papers and administer oaths to such witnesses, and may require of any officer or board of said city all information and copies of records, books and papers relative to the public business in connection with said departments. It shall render monthly detailed statements and reports to the court of common council of its proceedings and of all disbursements and contracts made in said departments during the preceding month; shall render annually to said court of common council and to the board of apportionment and taxation a full statement of its disbursements and expenditures in each of said departments during the preceding year, with a report of the condition of said departments and an estimate of the necessary expenditures of each for the ensuing fiscal year. The police pension fund and the firemen's pension and relief fund as now constituted by or may hereafter be constituted in said city, are hereby continued. Said board shall be the trustees of both said funds and shall administer the same in accordance with all laws of the state relating thereto and the by-laws of said city and the rules and regulations of said board consistent therewith. All benefits and relief payable or paid from said funds shall be exempt from attachment or execution. The treasurer of said city shall be the treasurer of said police department reserve fund and said firemen's pension and relief fund. Said board shall not abolish any office in the police or fire departments during the incumbency thereof of any appointee to such office, nor shall it remove, expel or reduce in rank any officer or regular or permanent member of the fire department or of the police department except for cause found after hearing. Notice of any such removal, expulsion or reduction in rank shall be given by the board in writing to the officer or permanent member concerned, and any such officer or permanent member aggrieved by such removal, expulsion or reduction may, within ten days after receiving notice of such action of the board, appeal therefrom to the superior court for New Haven county which shall hear said appeal and render judgment thereon. The power to fix the number and designations of all officers and members of the police and fire departments

shall be in and exercised only by the board of public safety and the number and designations of all officers of said departments shall continue as at present until said board shall take action in the premises. Said board shall have power to retire any member of the police or fire departments for mental or physical disability and place his name on the retired list and such member shall not thereafter be entitled to pay or compensation from the city unless assigned to duty by the chief of police. His pay for the time so assigned to duty shall be that of a regular member of the force.

SEC. 84. The police department heretofore existing in said city for preserving the peace, good order and security therein shall be continued in said city. It shall be the duty of the members of said department to be vigilant, alert and active in the discharge of the duties imposed upon police officers generally by the laws of the state, or by the ordinances of said city and in searching out and apprehending violations and violators of said laws and ordinances. In the performance of said duties every member of said department shall have within the limits of said city, and in and upon all park, reservoir or other property of said city outside of the limits thereof, the powers, in all criminal matters, of constables, and to serve all processes, when directed to him, issued by the police court of said city, and to make arrests within said city on its property outside the limits thereof as aforesaid. Said police shall serve such notices and perform such duties as may be ordered by the mayor and shall execute all commitments and orders lawfully directed to them by the police court of said city, or by the probate court for the district of Meriden. The duties of the officers and members of the police shall be prescribed by the rules, regulations and orders of the board of public safety.

SEC. 85. The fire department shall be continued in said city. Subject to the general supervision and direction of the board of public safety as to the number of its officers and paid and call members, companies and equipment, its duties shall be prescribed by the rules, regulations and orders of the board of public safety.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

SEC. 86. There shall be in the city of Meriden a board of public works, which board shall have four members, all of whom shall be electors residing in said city and shall serve without compensation. On or before February 1, 1922, the mayor shall appoint two members of said board to serve for two years from and after the first Monday in February, 1922, and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified, and shall also appoint two members of said board to serve for four years from and after said first Monday in February, 1922, and biennially thereafter, he shall appoint two members of said board to serve for a term of four years and until their successors are appointed and qualified.

The mayor shall be, ex-officio, a member and the chairman of said board, with full power of voting upon all matters which may come before said board.

SEC. 87. The board of public works shall have charge of the superintendence, management, maintenance, repair and control of all the streets, sidewalks, crosswalks and gutters within said city and of the water works, sewers, lamps, the collection, regulation and disposal of garbage and ashes, and shall, in the name and on behalf of the city, purchase all supplies and appoint all superintendents, employees and laborers necessary for each of said departments, and purchase the materials for and execute all work ordered by the court of common council to be done in any department, said court of common council to have exclusive authority to order new work for said departments.

SEC. 88. Said board of public works shall appoint a city engineer and a superintendent of public works, prescribe their duties, fix their compensation and terms of office, provided said terms of office shall not be for a longer duration than two years.

SEC. 89. In addition to the regular duties of said engineer he shall attend to the correction and maintenance of the city property maps, make all necessary changes therein to the end that said maps shall be at all times corrected up to date, and shall act as the clerk of said board of public works.

SEC. 90. Said board of public works shall monthly render in writing to the court of common council a detailed report of said board's actions and expenditures.

PARKS AND PARK COMMISSIONERS.

SEC. 91. There shall continue to be in said city a board of public parks consisting of four resident electors of said city, besides the mayor, who shall be ex-officio a member of the board. On or before February 1, 1922, the mayor shall appoint two members to serve for two years from and after said first Monday in February and annually thereafter he shall, on or before the first day of February, appoint two members of said board to serve for two years thereafter and until their successors are appointed. Said board shall annually choose one of its members as president, who shall preside at meetings in the absence or disability of the mayor. Three members shall constitute a quorum and three concurring votes shall be necessary to transact business. A lesser number may meet and adjourn from time to time. Said board shall hold meetings at least once a month and more often as may be necessary and may fix the times of meetings. All parks, park property, buildings and structures and equipment situated thereon or used in connection therewith, located within or without said city, shall be under the control, management and direction of said board and said board may purchase necessary equipment and supplies therefor; employ, fix the compensation, remove and discharge all necessary employees and custodians; may make

and construct park improvements; and lay out and improve park property. The court of common council may adopt by-laws, and said board of public parks may adopt all needed rules and regulations concerning public parks and park property which shall have full force and effect within the limits of said city. For the purpose of enforcing such by-laws and rules, all such parks and property shall be within the jurisdiction of the police and of the police court of said city, so that said police may without warrant arrest on immediate information for violation of such by-laws or rules committed on or in such park property, and said police court shall have jurisdiction and render judgment for such violations. All real and personal estate of said city situated or used within or without its limits for park purposes shall be and remain exempt from taxation by any city, town or borough. The court of common council shall have power to acquire by condemnation proceedings property required for public parks and park purposes, in the manner prescribed generally for the condemnation of property for public purposes by said city. Said board shall keep and make full detailed records of all sums appropriated for its department by the board of apportionment and taxation, and of its proceedings, acts and expenditures, and monthly render to the court of common council a detailed statement of its acts and expenditures of public funds during the preceding month and shall annually render to the said court of common council and to the board of apportionment and taxation a detailed statement and report of its proceedings, contracts and expenditures of public funds during the preceding fiscal year, the condition of its department and property in its charge, together with an estimate, in detail and under appropriate heads, of its required necessary expenditures from public funds for the ensuing fiscal year. The police and city sheriffs of said city and the custodians and employees of the board shall have and may exercise in and upon park property without the limits of the city, the powers and authority of constables of towns within their respective jurisdictions.

BOARD OF CHARITIES.

SEC. 92. From and after the first Monday of February, 1922, there shall be in said city a board of charities consisting of four resident electors and taxpayers of said city, besides the mayor who shall be ex-officio a member. On or before the first day of February, 1922, the mayor shall appoint two members of said board to serve for one year, two members to serve for two years, from and after said date, and thereafter he shall annually on or before the first day of February, appoint two members to serve for two years, and until their successors are appointed. Said board shall annually elect a president from its own number, who shall preside at its meetings in the absence or disability of the mayor. Three members of said board shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of three votes shall be necessary for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may meet and adjourn from time to time. Said

board shall hold meetings at least once each month and more often if necessary, at such times as it may determine, and special meetings of the board may be called at any time by the mayor or the president. The board of charities shall have the entire control, management and supervision of the affairs of said city relative to poor persons, paupers, insane persons and imbeciles. Said board shall be overseers of the poor, shall have the charge of city almshouses and workhouses, and at the expense of the city, provide and maintain necessary places, means and supplies for the subsistence of paupers, and shall possess all the powers and perform all the duties of selectmen relative to the support, control and removal of paupers; to the giving and receiving of notices to and from other towns relative to paupers; to the appointment of conservators, guardians and overseers of spendthrifts; to the confinement of habitual drunkards, dipsomaniacs and persons addicted to the intemperate use of narcotics, drugs and stimulants; to the custody of insane convicts and the confinement of insane persons; to the care of insane paupers and indigent persons; to commitments to and removals from the Connecticut School for Boys, The Connecticut Industrial School for Girls, the county temporary home for dependent and neglected children, and Connecticut School for Imbeciles, Mansfield State Training School and Hospital; to contracting for support of insane poor at Middletown; to the burial of paupers; to delivering bodies for dissection; to the burial of deceased soldiers; to the giving directions to whom money for soldiers' orphans shall be paid; to returning lists of soldiers' orphans to the comptroller; to the visitation and inspection of boarding houses for infants; to making returns in regard to deaf, dumb and blind persons; to giving foundlings in adoption; to the indenturing of apprentices and to proceedings for their release from service; to bastardy proceedings. Said board shall appoint a superintendent of charities, who shall also be the clerk of the board, and said board shall fix his salary, and may employ such other persons as may be necessary for the performance of the duties of the board, remove, discharge them and fix their compensation, prescribe the duties of the superintendent and of all other employees, and make all proper rules and regulations for the performance of such duties. In the performance of his duties the superintendent of charities shall have all the powers given to the board of charities. The board of public safety shall, upon the application of the board of charities, make all rules and orders to the police of the city, for reasonable and necessary assistance to the board, the superintendent of charities and its employees, in caring for and restraining insane or imbecile persons and dipsomaniacs. All applications and warrants for the removal of paupers shall be made by said board or said superintendent of charities to the judge or deputy judge of the city court of said city and said warrants shall be directed to and executed by any policeman of said city or other proper officer and all lawful fees for the service of the same at the rate allowed for service of criminal processes shall be paid to said

city by the town or city to which said paupers shall belong; provided that any action or notice by any other town or city relative to paupers shall not thereby be affected. Said board shall have the power to summon witnesses and compel the production of books and papers in matters pertaining to its department, as in civil actions, to administer oaths to and examine witnesses, and to require any city officer to produce records and books, and to give information concerning city affairs relating to its department. It shall render monthly detailed statements to the court of common council of its proceedings, contracts and expenditures during the preceding month and shall annually render to the court of common council and to the board of apportionment and taxation a full report and statement of its contracts and expenditures and proceedings during the preceding year and of the condition of its department, together with an estimate of the required expenditures of its department, under appropriate heads and in detail, for the ensuing fiscal year.

DEPARTMENT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

SEC. 93. The free public library heretofore established and now maintained in said city, shall be under the care of a board of library directors consisting of nine members, who shall be residents of said city and possess the qualifications prescribed by law for library directors of towns. On or before the first day of February, 1922, the mayor shall appoint three members of the board to serve for one year, three members to serve for two years, and three members to serve for three years from and after the first Monday in February, 1922, and annually thereafter on or before the first day of February appoint three members to serve for three years and until their successors are appointed. Said board shall elect a president and such other officers as they may deem necessary and shall have and perform all the powers and duties prescribed by law for public library directors of cities. Said board shall have the control, management and direction of said library, and shall make all the rules and regulations for the maintenance and public use of the same. Said board shall annually render to the court of common council and to the board of apportionment and taxation, a detailed statement and report of the expenditure of any appropriation made by the board of apportionment and taxation for the maintenance of the library, and of the estimated required expenditures from public funds for the ensuing year.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING.

SEC. 94. There shall be a board of building commissioners in said city consisting of three members who shall be resident electors of said city. On or before the first day of February, 1922, the mayor shall appoint three members, one to serve for one year, one to serve for two years, and one to serve for three years, and annually thereafter, on or before the first day of February, he shall appoint one member to serve for

two years and until his successor is appointed. They shall select their own chairman. Two members shall constitute a quorum and two concurring votes shall be necessary to transact business. Said board shall hold meetings at least once a month and more often as may be necessary and may fix the time of meetings. Special meetings of said board may be called by the chairman at any time upon reasonable notice to the members, and shall be called at any time upon the written request of a majority of the members of said board.

SEC. 95. Said board of building commissioners shall have and may exercise all power and authority which it shall judge necessary and proper in the interests of public safety for the inspection, regulation and control of buildings, dwelling houses and other structures or parts thereof; for the demolition, repair, maintenance, strengthening or numbering of any building; for the prohibition of the use of such building or part thereof until the order of said board of building commissioners is complied with; for the granting of permits to erect, alter, change, repair or remove any building within the limits of said city; for the deviation from the original plans and specifications of the methods to be employed in the construction of any building or structure for which a permit shall have been issued by said board; and for the control of the erection, maintenance and location of billboards within said city.

SEC. 96. Said board of building commissioners shall appoint a building inspector, who shall be the clerk of said board, fire marshal and plumbing inspector, shall fix his term of office for a period not greater than two years and also fix his compensation and prescribe his duties.

SEC. 97. Said board shall annually file with the clerk of the board of apportionment and taxation, and the clerk of the court of common council, a detailed report of its expenditures for the current year and also a detailed estimate of all funds required for the transaction of business for the ensuing year, and on or before the first of September in each year shall file with the board of assessors a list of all new building erections, which may be subject to taxation.

ASSESSOR AND COLLECTORS OF TAXES.

SEC. 98. The board of apportionment and taxation shall, during the month of January following the adoption of this charter and biennially thereafter, appoint from the qualified voters of said city three resident electors to act as a board of assessors of said city of Meriden and also such assistants as said board may deem necessary. Said board is empowered to fix the compensation for such services and the term of office, provided said term shall not be greater than two years.

SEC. 99. Said assessors shall have the same powers and duties which the assessors of the town of Meriden would have had if this act had not been passed.

SEC. 100. The board of apportionment and taxation shall also at said time appoint from the qualified voters of said Meriden, a collector of

taxes for said Meriden, and such assistants as said board may deem necessary, and said board is empowered to define the collector's duties, fix the amount of compensation for such services, and the term of office, provided said term shall not be for a period of over two years.

SEC. 101. Said collector of taxes shall annually file with the board of apportionment and taxation a list of delinquent taxpayers.

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS.

SEC. 102. All officers, now required by law to be appointed by towns and selectmen of towns, not herein otherwise provided for, shall, on or before the second Monday of February, 1922, be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the court of common council.

SEC. 103. All appointments to office or to any position within the appointing power of the court of common council, which shall include all appointments not herein conferred on the mayor, board of apportionment and taxation, other city boards, or otherwise provided for, shall be made by a plurality of ballots cast in the court of common council, the mayor having a vote only in case of a tie.

SEC. 104. The duties of all appointive officers not particularly designated shall be prescribed by the court of common council.

CORPORATION COUNSEL.

SEC. 105. The corporation counsel shall be an attorney-at-law of at least five years' practice in the state and a resident elector of said city. He shall be the legal advisor of the city, its boards and officers, and shall represent the city in all civil actions and before any court or tribunal in all matters in which said city is interested. He shall give written opinions on all matters pertaining to public affairs when required by a proper authority and shall annually make written report to the court of common council showing the condition of all unfinished business in his hands. His compensation shall be fixed by the board of apportionment and taxation. On or before the first day of February, 1922, and biennially thereafter, the mayor shall appoint said corporation counsel for a term of two years from the date of said appointment.

SEC. 106. The corporation counsel shall not compromise any suit to which the city is a party without the consent, by written resolution, of the court of common council.

SEC. 107. The mayor of said city, when in his opinion it is necessary, with the consent of the court of common council, may employ attorneys other than the corporation counsel in matters affecting the interests of said city and all services rendered to said city by such attorneys shall be paid for in the same manner as other claims against said city.

AUDITOR.

SEC. 108. The auditor shall quarterly, and oftener when required by the ordinances of said city, examine and audit the accounts of all appointive or elective officers of said city who are authorized to receive or

disburse money belonging to said city and shall compare the items of such accounts with the vouchers therefor, and shall report the result of such examination to the court of common council. At the end of the current year he shall examine the yearly statements of the accounts of all such officers and report the result to the court of common council, which report shall be entered by the city clerk upon the records of said city and published as the court of common council may order. He shall also act as paymaster for the different boards and under their rules and regulations.

SEC. 109. The court of common council shall on or before the first Monday in February, in each year, elect a resident elector of said city to act as auditor for said city and shall fix the amount of his compensation for said services.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

SEC. 110. All books, accounts, bills, invoices, contracts or documents relating to the business of the city shall, at all times during regular office hours, be open to the inspection of any registered elector or group of electors of the city of Meriden, who shall present a request in writing to this effect signed by not less than ten electors.

SEC. 111. All books, papers and records of every office, department, board or commission shall be city property, and shall be kept by the proper officer or employees, and shall be delivered to his successor in office, who shall give duplicate receipts therefor, one of which shall be filed with the city clerk. Certified copies or extracts from the books, records and files shall be given by the officer, board or commission or employee having the same in custody, to any person demanding and paying for such copies or extracts, but the records of the police department shall not be subject to inspection or copy without permission of the mayor.

SEC. 112. All equipments, collections, models, materials, instruments, tools and implements, which are collected, maintained, used or kept by the city or by any department, board or commission, shall be city property, and shall be turned over by the custodian thereof to his successor or accounted for. All persons holding office or employment under the city, whether elective or appointive, shall be required to engage in the actual work of his office or employment and failure so to do shall be ground for removal.

SEC. 113. The mayor of said city may at any time remove any member of any board created hereunder, except the board of apportionment and taxation, by and with the consent of a majority of the court of common council of said city at a special meeting to be called at any time by the mayor for said purpose. Said consent, to be valid, shall be exercised within thirty days after receipt of the same.

SEC. 114. The mayor shall annually, during the month of January, appoint three electors of said city, no more than two of whom shall be

long to the same political party, to serve as a jury committee for the ensuing year, who shall perform the duties prescribed for jury committees by the laws of the state and as provided herein.

Sec. 115. No member of any board created hereunder, except the mayor, shall be a member of the board of apportionment and taxation herein provided for, and no member shall furnish any materials to, or do any work for, or be interested financially in any contract with said city. Each of said boards may choose one of its members to preside at its meetings whenever the mayor may be absent.

Sec. 116. The city clerk, the city treasurer, the collector of taxes and all other officers of said city, whether elected or appointed, who may be required by the board of apportionment and taxation so to do, shall give bond for such amount as the ordinances of the city shall prescribe, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of their respective offices, and in case of the refusal or neglect of any such officer or employee to give such bond within one week, his office shall be declared vacant by the mayor and such vacancy shall be filled in the manner herein prescribed.

Sec. 117. No officer or employee of the city shall receive or disburse money belonging to the city unless authorized so to do by the provisions of this act.

Sec. 118. All real and personal estate of the city of Meriden used for park purposes within the limits of any other towns shall be exempt from taxation or assessment for benefits and damages.

Sec. 119. Whenever any work is necessary to be done to execute or perfect a particular undertaking, or any supplies are required for any particular purpose, and the several parts of said work or supplies shall together involve the expenditure of more than one thousand dollars, the board of public works, other boards, the court of common council or officer authorized to secure the performance of said work or to procure said supplies shall require a written contract therefor under such regulations as said court of common council, board or officer may determine, which contract shall be awarded on sealed bids or proposals. If said court of common council, board or officer, shall not deem it for the interest of said city to reject all such bids or proposals it shall award such contract to the lowest responsible bidder, provided, if said court of common council, board or officer shall not deem it for the best interests of the city to proceed as above for the obtaining of any particular work or supplies, it or he shall make a written statement to that effect giving reasons and recommending the manner in which such work or supplies should be obtained and submit the same to the mayor, who, if he concurs, shall endorse his approval thereon and the statement shall then be filed with the proper board or officer for reference, wherewith it shall be and remain open to public inspection, and shall authorize the performance or obtaining of such work or supplies in the manner therein stated. All bids or proposals shall be publicly opened at the time set forth in

and by the court of common council, board or officer issuing the advertisement for the same. If the lowest bidder shall neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded according to his bid or proposal, or if he fails to execute his contract or give security, subject to the approval of the mayor for the faithful performance thereof when such security is required by the court of common council, board or officer, such contract may be readvertised and relet in the manner above provided or, with the written approval of the mayor filed with the court of common council, authorized board or officer, and kept open to public inspection, said contract may be awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder. If any such contract for work or supplies be abandoned by any contractor it may be readvertised, relet, or, on written approval of the mayor filed as aforesaid, the authorized board or officer may cause such work to be finished without making any new contract. No bid shall be accepted from or any contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to said city upon debt or contract, or who is in default as security or otherwise upon any obligation to said city. Three copies of every such contract shall be executed and one of the original copies shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk. Every such bid or proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check on some reliable bank, payable to the order of the city of Meriden in amount not less than five per centum of the amount stated in said bid or proposal. Within three days after the opening of such bids or proposals the city clerk shall return all such checks, except that deposited by the lowest bidder, to the person depositing the same. If said lowest bidder, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, the amount of his deposit shall be forfeited to and retained by said city as liquidated damages for such refusal or neglect; but if he shall execute said contract within the time aforesaid said deposit shall thereupon be returned to him.

SEC. 120. The city of Meriden may establish a workhouse, provide suitable buildings for the confinement of offenders sentenced thereto, furnish material for their work, direct the kind of labor and the manner and place in which it is to be performed, either in or out of the workhouse, and make any lawful regulations necessary to carry into effect this provision or any provision of chapter 178 of the general statutes and any amendments thereto, and said city shall have all of the powers conferred by law upon towns. In all cases in which the police court, mayor or other officer shall have power to sentence or commit any person to the county jail in New Haven county, it shall be lawful for said police court, mayor or other officer to sentence and commit such person to said city workhouse.

SEC. 121. In case of a vacancy in the office of mayor, clerk, treasurer, sheriff, auditor, alderman or councilman, such vacancy shall be filled by the court of common council at any regular or special meeting and from

the same political party from which the former incumbent was elected. The person so chosen shall hold office until his successor is elected and qualified and shall be an elector and resident of said city of Meriden. At the next annual election following the occurrence of such vacancy the voters of the city or of the ward, as the case may be, in which the vacancy occurred shall elect from their number, by a plurality of ballots, a successor to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term and the office to be so filled may be designated upon the ballot by the words "to fill vacancy."

SEC. 122. Whenever both the mayor and the president pro tempore shall be absent from the city or prevented by illness or other cause from attending to the duties pertaining to the office of mayor, the senior alderman in the court of common council, being the alderman who has occupied such office for the longest consecutive period, shall act as mayor and shall have all the powers conferred upon the mayor, during the continuance of such absence, illness or inability of the mayor and president pro tempore in the event of there being a number of aldermen who have held the office of alderman for the same length of time, the court of common council shall elect a president pro tempore from among them. Whenever the president pro tempore shall serve as mayor for more than four consecutive days, he shall receive the salary of the mayor for such time as he shall so serve.

SEC. 123. Any officer appointed either by the mayor or by the court of common council or any city board may be removed for malfeasance in office, neglect of duty, incompetency or other just cause, but shall not be removed upon any charge preferred against him without due notice and hearing by the court of common council. When any such charge shall have been preferred, the officer complained of shall have a right to be heard, with his witnesses and by counsel, and such hearing may be adjourned from time to time as said court of common council may direct.

STREETS, HIGHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS.

SEC. 124. The city of Meriden shall, on and after the Tuesday following the first Monday of January, 1922, be successor to the town of Meriden in all the rights, duties and privileges granted to towns under the statutes of this state in the matter of improvement of highways aided by the state. Said city may take advantage of any state appropriation available for the improvement of town highways. The court of common council shall succeed to all the duties now imposed upon selectmen of towns in relation to the improvement of such state-aided highways.

SEC. 125. It shall be the duty of the city of Meriden to make all public highways, streets and roads within the limits of said city, and the court of common council of said city shall have all the powers necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, shall have sole authority over all streets and highways and parts thereof within said city, and shall

have sole power to lay out, open, make, alter and discontinue all highways and streets within the limits of said city.

SEC. 126. Before the court of common council shall determine to lay out, alter, extend, enlarge or discontinue any highway, street, avenue or grade thereof, or designate any building line in said city, it shall cause a notice, signed by the mayor or clerk of said city, describing in general terms such proposed action and specifying a time when and place where all persons whose land is proposed to be taken therefor, or which may be affected thereby, may appear and be heard in relation thereto. Such notice shall be left at the usual place of abode, if a resident of said city, and if a non-resident, then the city clerk shall mail postpaid a copy of said notice to the last known place of abode and said notice shall be published not less than twice in at least two newspapers published in said city, at least five days before the time fixed in such notice for such hearing, and such publication shall be legal and sufficient notice to all persons and corporations whose land it is proposed to take for such layout or alteration or over which said line is proposed to be established. At the time and place mentioned in said notice, and at any meeting adjourned therefrom, said court of common council, either by itself or by a committee appointed by it, shall hear all the parties in interest who may appear and desire to be heard in relation thereto. If, after such hearing, said court of common council shall determine that public convenience and necessity require the layout, alteration, extension, enlargement or discontinuance of such highway, street or avenue or grade thereof, or the designation of such building line, it shall appoint a committee whose duty it shall be to make such layout or alteration or designate such building line and report the same to said court of common council, which report shall embody a descriptive survey of such highway, avenue, street, grade, line or lines, and an estimate and appraisal of benefits and damages, as the case may be, resulting or accruing to any person or persons from the taking of such land for public use as aforesaid, or from such layout, alteration, extension, enlargement or discontinuance, or such designation of such line or lines. The court of common council shall thereupon give at least ten days' notice to every person interested by reason of his land being taken or benefited by the proposed improvement. Said notice shall state the time when and place where said court of common council will hear objections to such layout, alteration, designation, survey, estimate or appraisal, and at the time and place specified in such notice said court of common council shall hear all parties interested in relation to the acceptance of such report of its committee, wholly or in part, and in regard to any modification thereof or change therein. Said court of common council, having heard all the parties who may appear, may accept such report or return the same to its said committee for revision; or said court of common council may, itself, revise, modify or change such layout, alteration, designation, survey, estimate or appraisal, and recast and revise such

report in such ways as it may deem that justice and the public interest require. After said court of common council shall have determined upon a descriptive survey of such highway, avenue, street, walk, grade or building line or lines, and upon an assessment of benefits or appraisal of damages, as the case may be, resulting or accruing to any person or persons from the taking of such land for public use as aforesaid, or from such layout, alteration, extension, enlargement, discontinuance or grade, or such designation of such line or lines, the city clerk shall record the same and cause a notice, signed by the mayor or city clerk, containing the names of the persons so assessed with the amount of the respective assessments, to be mailed postpaid to each person and corporation forthwith and published in a newspaper published in said city, and said assessment shall become due and payable thirty days after the date of publication of such notice. The court of common council shall order the damages so appraised to be paid, to the persons to whom they are appraised or their authorized agents, from the city treasury within sixty days thereafter, and in case any person shall neglect or refuse to receive the same it shall be retained in the city treasury subject to his order; provided, always, that the whole amount of the benefits assessed for any particular layout, alteration, extension, enlargement, discontinuance or designation shall not exceed the whole amount of damages appraised on account of said layout, alteration, extension, enlargement, discontinuance or designation, together with the estimated cost of making said improvements. The descriptive survey hereinbefore mentioned, being signed by the mayor and entered upon the records of said city, said highway, street and grade thereof, or said building line, shall remain for the purpose for which it was laid out or designated, and said court of common council may complete such improvement and do all acts incident thereto.

SEC. 127. Any person aggrieved by the assessment of benefits or appraisal of damages made by said court of common council under the provisions of the foregoing section may, within thirty days after notice given to him of such assessment or appraisal, appeal from such assessment or appraisal to any judge of the superior court in the same manner as appeals are herein allowed from doings of the board of compensation; and any number of persons who are similarly affected by any such assessment or appraisal may join in taking and prosecuting such appeal. Such judge may, by a committee or otherwise, reassess said benefits and damages, and correct any errors which may be shown to exist in the report or schedule of such assessment, and may, if said damages are increased or said assessment of benefits reduced, award costs against the city. Such judge, after the proceedings are closed, shall return all papers connected with the case to the clerk of the superior court for New Haven county, and said clerk shall issue execution for the amount of damages or benefits fixed by such reassessment and in favor of either party for costs, to be taxed as upon civil process, and

shall thereafter cause the papers connected with the case to be delivered to the clerk of said city.

SEC. 128. The court of common council shall have power, whenever specific appropriations are made therefor, to pave any street or highway in said city and may assess one-quarter of the expense of paving each of said streets, except the intersections thereof with other streets or parts of streets so paved, upon the persons whose property shall abut on such street or part of street, upon one side thereof, and one-quarter of such expense upon the persons whose property shall abut upon such street or part of street upon the other side thereof, in such proportions and amounts as shall, in the judgment of said court of common council, be just and proportionate to the benefits accruing to said parties or property from said work, and as the benefits to said property from said work shall warrant and require; and said court of common council shall estimate and assess, in the manner herein provided, the particular amount of such expense to be paid by every such person, designating what particular land, belonging to such person assessed, will be so benefited. Before said court of common council shall undertake any such improvement to be followed by an assessment of benefits, it shall give similar notice to all persons interested, as is provided in cases of layout of highways, of a hearing as to the public necessity of said proposed improvement, and at such hearing shall submit a statement of the kind and an estimate of the cost, of such work. If after such hearing the court of common council shall determine to proceed with the contemplated work, and to make thereon an assessment of benefits and damages, such assessment shall be made in the manner provided so far as the same shall apply. All persons aggrieved by the assessment so made by the court of common council shall have the right to appeal in the manner provided; provided no property assessed under this section shall be again assessed for a similar purpose for a period of ten years from the date of the first assessment.

SEC. 129. The court of common council is authorized to provide for sprinkling, with water or oil or otherwise, all the streets or highways of said city, or any part thereof, and to assess against any street railroad or railway company occupying or using such streets or highways, or any part thereof, the actual cost of sprinkling a strip nine feet wide for each line of single track, and eighteen feet wide for each line of double track, maintained by such street railroad or railway company for the entire distance that such tracks are maintained on said streets or highways so sprinkled and to include the balance of the cost of such sprinkling as is otherwise herein provided.

SEC. 130. Said city may contract with any street railway company, occupying or using such streets or highways or any part thereof as may be designated for sprinkling, to sprinkle such portion of the highway the expense of sprinkling which it is not incumbent upon such railroad or railway company to bear.

SEC. 131. Every railroad or railway company affected by the provisions of this act may itself sprinkle that portion of the streets or highways, through or upon which its line of track shall run, the expense of sprinkling which is payable by such company, provided such sprinkling shall be to the satisfaction of the board of public works; but if said company shall fail to sprinkle said streets or highways to the satisfaction of said board of public works then said board may provide for the sprinkling thereof for the remainder of the then current year and the expense thereof shall be paid by said company.

SEC. 132. The board of public works shall, annually, determine the amount of each of said assessments for street sprinkling, and the sum so determined shall be placed in the rate bill of said city next thereafter made. The sum so assessed shall be collected in the same manner and by the same person as are the taxes specified in such rate bill.

SEC. 133. All obstructions and incumbrances which shall be erected, placed, left, continued or suffered to remain in and upon any highway, street, avenue, public park, sidewalk or gutter of said city in violation of any ordinance of said city, may be removed at the expense of the person or persons responsible for such obstructions or incumbrances by the mayor, the board of public works or any officer to whom such duty may be assigned, and said board of public works shall liquidate and adjust the expense of such removal and may order the same to be paid by such person or persons to the collector, to whom the mayor shall issue a warrant authorizing him to collect the same; and if such person shall neglect or refuse to pay the same it may be recovered in an action brought against him by the corporation counsel in the name of said city.

SEC. 134. The court of common council is authorized to enact ordinances or by-laws to compel the occupants, persons in charge, or owners of land or buildings to remove snow and ice from the sidewalk in front of such land or buildings or, in case of ice, to sprinkle sand or other substance thereon, so that said sidewalk will be safe for public travel; to compel the occupants of property abutting or adjoining any public sidewalk in which is constructed, as a part thereof, a manhole cover wholly or partly of iron or glass, or any sidewalk constructed wholly or partly of iron or glass, to sprinkle sand thereon or otherwise make the same safe for public travel at all seasons of the year when such sidewalk has become wet or frosted, or otherwise dangerous to the traveling public; to compel the owner or owners of any such land or buildings abutting or adjoining any street or sidewalk, in fact maintaining a sidewalk constructed wholly or in part of iron or glass, or maintaining any hole therein having a cover made of iron, glass or other material, to repair the same whenever it has become dangerous to the traveling public; and said court of common council may, in any such ordinance or by-law, or in any other ordinance or by-law hereafter enacted by said court of common council, provide, in lieu of the penalty provided by

this act, that any violation of the ordinances or by-laws herein authorized to be enacted by said court of common council be punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars for the use of said city, and may direct the prosecuting attorney for said city of Meriden, on complaint of the mayor, the chairman of the committee on streets and sidewalks of the court of common council, or the superintendent of public works of said city, to prosecute any person violating any such ordinance in the city court of Meriden.

SEC. 135. The court of common council shall have power, as public necessity and convenience may require, to designate and fix the course, width, height and level of all sidewalks and gutters in and upon the streets and highways of the said city and may order the board of public works, at the expense of said city, to lay out, construct, raise, flag or make in a suitable manner any crosswalk in said city. Said court of common council may, from time to time, order the owner or owners of the lands and buildings fronting on sidewalks, at their own expense, to raise, level or make such sidewalks on their several frontages according to the course, width, height and level designated as aforesaid, to flag, concrete or pave the same in such manner as the court of common council shall direct, and to provide such safeguards thereon as public safety shall require, and may limit such time as may be deemed reasonable for the carrying out of any such order, notice of which shall be given by leaving a true and attested copy of such order personally with or at the place of abode of such owner within five days after the passage of the same; and if such owner be a non-resident of said city, a true and attested copy of said order deposited in the postoffice in said city, postage paid, addressed to him at his place of residence, if the same be known, within five days after the passage of the same, and a like true and attested copy left with his agent or the person having charge of said property, or occupying the same, shall be legal notice to said owner. Whenever any sidewalk has been laid by order of the court of common council, and a statement has been filed in the office of the city clerk, in accordance with the grade established and recorded as herein prescribed and it is deemed necessary by said court of common council, at any time within ten years thereafter, to alter said grade, such alteration and relaying shall be done at the expense of the city; provided, where such an alteration, change of grade or relaying of any sidewalk is made necessary by the alteration of any street line, the expense thereof shall be borne by said city; and provided further, the provisions of this section shall extend and apply to sidewalks already made, paved, concreted and flagged in accordance with the orders of the court of the common council.

SEC. 136. If the owner of any lands or buildings shall neglect to level, raise, flag, concrete or pave any sidewalk along his frontage in such manner and within such time as said court of common council shall direct, said court of common council may employ any proper person to do the same, and may adjust and liquidate the expense thereof, the

same to be paid by the owner so neglecting to comply with such order. Thereupon the mayor may issue a warrant authorizing the collector to collect of such owner such sum ordered to be paid by him as aforesaid.

TAX AND OTHER LIENS.

SEC. 137. When the board of apportionment and taxation shall lay any tax and determine the rate thereof as provided herein the same shall be and remain a lien and incumbrance upon the taxable real estate in said city in reference to which such tax was laid, and said lien of the taxes annually laid by the city of Meriden shall date from the first day of January in each year, and the lien of any special tax laid by said city shall date from the day on which the appropriation therefor was made.

SEC. 138. Said liens shall take precedence of all transfers and incumbrances in any wise affecting the property covered by said lien, or any part of it, as now provided by law.

SEC. 139. The collector of taxes of said city may continue any tax lien upon any real estate by causing to be recorded in the public land records of said Meriden, within the first year after the tax becomes due, his certificates describing the real estate, the amount of the tax, and the time when it became due; and thereupon such tax, with the interest thereon at seven per centum per annum, in lieu of the nine per centum hereinbefore prescribed, shall remain a lien upon such real estate from the recording of said certificate until paid; and any tax lien so continued may, when the tax has been paid, be discharged by a certificate of the then collector of taxes recorded in such land records.

SEC. 140. The fee of the town clerk of said Meriden for recording such tax lien shall be twenty-five cents, in addition to which sum there shall be allowed in favor of said city of Meriden the sum of fifty cents, which sums shall be collected in addition to the tax so secured.

SEC. 141. Whenever the collector of taxes of said city shall file with the town clerk of said Meriden his certificate for the purpose of continuing a lien of any tax upon real estate as herein provided, he shall, at the time or within thirty days thereafter, give notice in writing to the person in whose name such property appears of record that such certificate has been filed, which notice shall contain a statement of the original amount of such tax, and if the person to whom such notice is sent is not the person against whom said tax was assessed, such notice shall contain the name of the person against whom said tax was assessed. Said notice shall not, however, be required in cases where said collector, within thirty days prior to filing of such certificate, has given notice, to the person who appears of record to be the owner, of his intention to file such certificate of lien. Said notice shall not take the place of other notices herein required, nor shall the failure to give the notice required by this section affect the collection of the tax or invalidate the certificate of lien.

SEC. 142. The collector of taxes of said city may bring suit for the foreclosure of any tax or other lien herein provided for, in the name of said city, as and in the manner provided by law for the foreclosure of tax liens.

SEC. 143. Assessments of benefits as herein provided, shall be and remain a lien or incumbrance upon the land or other property upon which they are, respectively, made and shall take precedence of all other liens or incumbrances, except taxes due the state; and the land, with the buildings thereon, on which any such lien may exist, shall be liable to be foreclosed in the same manner as in the case of tax liens; provided such lien shall not continue to exist for a period longer than sixty days after the giving of notice as hereinbefore prescribed, unless within said period a certificate, made out by the collector of taxes and signed by the mayor, or the collector of taxes, describing the premises on which such lien exists and stating the amount claimed by said city as a lien thereon, shall be lodged with the city clerk of Meriden; and said lien shall cease to exist whenever a certificate discharging the same, signed by the mayor or collector of taxes, shall be filed with said clerk. All such certificates shall be recorded by said clerk in the land records of said town of Meriden, and the lawful fees for filing such liens shall be added to such assessment; said assessment may be collected by warrant, under the hand of the mayor, in the same manner as town taxes are collected, and shall bear interest at legal rate from and after the time when the same shall become due and payable.

SEC. 144. In all cases where liens are created on account of public improvements of any kind in said city such liens shall, if an appeal to be taken from the appraisal of damages or any assessment, continue for a period of sixty days after the passage of the final decree of the court or judge having jurisdiction of such appeal, or after termination of the appeal proceedings, but no longer, unless within said period a certificate, signed by the mayor or collector of taxes of said city, describing the premises on which such lien exists, and stating the amount claimed by said city as a lien thereon, shall be lodged with said town clerk of Meriden.

SEC. 145. All sums expended or expenses incurred by or under the direction of the court of common council upon failure of the owner of any lands or buildings to level, raise, flag, concrete or pave any sidewalk along the frontage of his property, as provided, or in the removal of any building erected in violation of section seventy-two, together with the expense of filing, shall be and remain a lien and incumbrance upon the lands and buildings with reference to which such expenditures were made or expense incurred, and shall have the same validity and effect and be enforced in the same manner as tax liens; provided such liens shall not continue to exist for a period longer than sixty days after such expense was incurred or expenditure made unless, within said period, a certificate, signed by the mayor or collector of taxes of said city, be filed with the town clerk of Meriden as herein provided.

SEC. 146. All assessments for street sprinkling determined upon by the court of common council as hereinbefore provided shall be and remain a lien and incumbrance upon the real estate affected thereby; and the date of the commencement of said lien shall be the first day of January in the year in which such assessments were determined, and such lien may be continued and shall have the same validity and effect, and may be enforced in the same manner, as tax liens.

SEC. 146. Upon the sale, or contract for sale, of any real estate which may be affected under the provisions hereof relating to sprinkling of streets, the owner of such real estate may deposit with the clerk of said city an amount sufficient to pay for the sprinkling for which a lien may be claimed, to the time of such sale, and from the time of such deposit such lien shall not be deemed an incumbrance upon such property so as in any wise to affect a contract of sale.

SALARIES.

SEC. 147. On and after the second Monday of January, 1922, the salaries of the several officers of the town and city of Meriden shall be paid monthly.

SEC. 148. Each board shall fix the compensation of its respective appointees and employees.

SEC. 149. The compensation of all officers and employees of said city and of the town of Meriden shall be fixed by the court of common council, except as otherwise specially provided by this act.

CITY AND POLICE COURT OF MERIDEN.

CITY COURT.

SEC. 150. The court heretofore existing and known as the city court of Meriden shall continue to exist under that name, and all judgments, decrees and proceedings of said city court from the date of the organization of said court until the time this act shall take effect, shall be and continue to be as valid, and of the same binding force and effect, after the time when this act shall take effect as before.

SEC. 151. Said court shall have concurrent jurisdiction over all civil causes, both at law and in equity, legally brought before it, wherein any of the parties reside in the city of Meriden, except suits wherein the title to, or right to possession of, or easement in land situated outside of the limits of said town, is to be tried and determined, and except civil actions for injury to such title or right and except where any savings bank, trust company or building and loan association located in said Meriden is a plaintiff in an action of foreclosure, and except civil actions for injury to such title or right, and except for relief against any judgment rendered or against any cause pending in the superior court, or court of common pleas, and except writs of mandamus, prohibition, quo warranto, ne exeat or habeas corpus, and may inquire into

the fact, itself or by a committee, and may so proceed to final judgment and decree, and enforce the same according to the rules of law and equity; and said city court shall have the same power and authority and shall proceed in the same manner and grant executions, as the superior court now or hereafter shall have power to proceed and grant; provided, in all cases where the matter in demand is more than five hundred dollars, any party to said cause may upon his written motion filed within three days after the return day of the writ, or within three days after the matter in demand has been increased to more than five hundred dollars, by counter claim or otherwise, remove said cause to the superior court for New Haven county, except an action for foreclosure of a mortgage, and upon the granting of such motion the clerk of said court shall deliver the original files in said cause, with his certificate of removal thereon, to the clerk of said superior court, who shall forthwith enter the same upon the docket of said court to be in all respects proceeded with as though it had originally been brought to said court, and no attachment, lien, bail bond or other security previously had or given shall be affected by such removal.

SEC. 152. Said city court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with justices of the peace in all civil actions, matters and proceedings, including bastardy proceedings and summary process, of which justices of the peace in said town have jurisdiction.

SEC. 153. Said city court shall hold sessions at such times as the judges thereof shall deem proper for the convenient transaction of the business thereof.

SEC. 154. The process in all actions and proceedings brought to, pending in or issuing from said city court, shall be in form, style, subscription and mode of authentication similar to those in use from time to time in the superior court and shall have the same authority and validity and such process may be signed and issued by the authorities authorized by the general statutes to sign and issue processes and by either judge or clerk of said city court, and may be served in any part of this state by any person authorized to serve like processes, issuing from or returnable to the superior court.

SEC. 155. The rules of practice in the superior court, so far as the same may be applicable, shall govern the practice in said court, and the judges of said court are hereby authorized to repeal, modify or add to said rules.

SEC. 156. When a defendant who is sued in said city court in any civil action lives within the limits of the town of Meriden the writ shall be served upon him at least twelve days before the day to which the writ is returnable. Writs may be made returnable to said court upon any Tuesday, except during the months of July and August, and shall be returned to the clerk of said court not later than the Friday preceding the date to which such writ is returnable.

SEC. 157. Either party to any civil action wherein the matter in demand is over twenty dollars may put the same to a jury under like conditions and with like effect as in jury trials before justices of the peace, wherein the matter in demand is within the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and under like conditions and with like effect as in the superior court where the matter in demand exceeds one hundred dollars. Said court may cause a jury to be summoned at such times as it may see fit.

SEC. 158. There shall be a judge and deputy judge of said court, who shall be chosen by the general assembly and hold office for the term of two years from and after the first Monday of July next following their appointment, and until their successors are respectively chosen and sworn, and who shall take the oath by law provided for executive and judicial officers.

SEC. 159. The judge of said court shall appoint a clerk and an assistant clerk of said court, each of whom shall hold office during the term of the judge appointing him, unless previously removed by said judge for cause, and until his successor is appointed and has qualified. Said clerk shall take the oath provided by law to be taken by clerks of the superior court.

SEC. 160. The said clerk shall collect and be entitled to have the same fees as may be now or hereafter fixed by law for justices of the peace in all matters wherein justices of the peace would have concurrent jurisdiction and the same fees as now provided in the superior court in all causes where the matter in demand exceeds the jurisdiction of said justices of the peace. Said assistant clerk shall have all the power and authority vested in said clerk.

SEC. 161. Whenever said clerk shall issue a warrant commanding any proper officer to summon a jury to appear before said court, such officer shall, in the presence of either judge of said court, take out of the jury box as many names as his warrant directs and such persons shall be summoned to appear before the court at the time in the warrant named to serve as jurors; and in case a complete panel shall not attend, or for any reason there shall be a deficiency of jurors for the trial of any cause, such officer shall supply the deficiency by drawing, in the presence of the court, other names from said box and summoning such persons to attend and serve or by summoning a sufficient number of talesmen as the court may direct, until the panel shall be completed, and the names of such jurors as do not attend or are challenged or excused, shall be returned to the box and shall be liable to be drawn again. The name of each juror who attends court and serves shall, in like manner aforesaid, be put into another box which said clerk shall provide for that purpose and may be drawn again in case, for any reason, there is a deficiency in the other box to complete the panels for that year for which they are chosen to serve. There shall be allowed and paid to

each juror the sum of two dollars and fifty cents a day for each day that he shall serve.

SEC. 162. The judges of said court may on motion grant and enforce writs of injunction according to the course and proceedings in equity in all cases within the jurisdiction of said city court when the same shall not be in session, in the same manner as is provided by law for judges of the superior court, which writs shall be returnable to the next return day of said court, and the judges of said court shall have the same power with respect to the issuing of such injunctions and the dissolution of the same on motion, as is provided by law for the superior court in cases of injunctions granted by them.

SEC. 163. All fees arising from said court, except said fees belonging to said clerk, shall be paid over by the clerk of said court to the city treasurer, except that he may, from the funds in his hands at any time, pay all jurors' fees and all other fees for which said city is liable. If the funds in his hands are at any time insufficient for that purpose, the city clerk shall, on the application of the clerk of said court, draw an order for his expenditures which shall be paid by the treasurer, and the clerk of said court shall render his account, under oath, of all moneys received and disbursed to the order of said city as often as once in three months.

SEC. 164. The court of common council of said city shall provide a suitable room and such other accommodations for said city court, including records, blanks and stationery, as the judge thereof may deem necessary.

POLICE COURT.

SEC. 165. The police court heretofore and now established in and for said city and town of Meriden and styled the Meriden police court shall be and remain the police court in and for the city of Meriden as hereby extended, and all judgments, proceedings, bonds and orders entered and taken therein shall continue of valid and binding force and effect.

SEC. 166. The judges and clerks of the city court of Meriden shall be the judges and clerks of said police court, and in the absence, inability or disqualification of either judge, either clerk of said court may call in any justice of the peace of said Meriden, who shall receive seven dollars per day to be paid by said city while so serving as judge of said court, and who shall have and exercise the power of a judge of said court and hold and administer said court for the time and proceedings requested by said clerk.

SEC. 167. The judge of said court shall have power to appoint a prosecuting attorney and an assistant prosecuting attorney, who shall hold office during the pleasure of said judge.

SEC. 168. Said attorneys shall have all the powers and perform all duties in the prosecution of crimes and offenses recognizable by said

court. The assistant prosecuting attorney shall perform the duties of the prosecuting attorney in his absence or inability or at his request.

SEC. 169. The probation officer shall perform the duties prescribed by law for probation officers and as directed by the judges of said court.

SEC. 170. Said police court shall have and exercise exclusively within said city all the jurisdiction, authority and powers which justices of the peace of towns have or hereafter may have and exercise with respect to all matters and proceedings of criminal and qui tam nature, and shall have and exercise exclusive jurisdiction and cognizance of all crimes and misdemeanors committed within said city, either before or after the passage of this act, the punishment whereof prescribed by the orders of said court or by ordinance of said city shall not exceed a fine of two hundred dollars or imprisonment in a common jail or city workhouse six months, or both, or as otherwise may be provided by statute law of the state; provided the accused may appeal to the next term of the common pleas court of New Haven county having criminal jurisdiction in all matters of conviction. In all such cases said police court shall proceed in accordance with the laws and rules of practice relating to criminal proceedings before justices of the peace and appeals therein. In all cases of appeal from convictions in said police court of violations of the by-laws and ordinances of said city, bonds on appeal shall be taken to the city.

SEC. 171. Presentments or complaints in all criminal matters cognizable by said police court shall be made to the same by the prosecuting attorney, assistant prosecuting attorney or prosecuting agent, or in qui tam proceedings by the persons authorized by law to complain in such matters.

SEC. 172. No justices of the peace for Meriden shall take cognizance of any action or complaint of criminal nature, jurisdiction whereof is conferred upon said police court by this act, except in the matter of signing warrants or subpoenas returnable thereto. Said judges, clerks, prosecuting attorney and assistant prosecuting attorney may sign and issue complaints, warrants, subpoenas, capias and other criminal process in actions and proceedings returnable before said court, to be served in any part of the state, and said court and the judges thereof may fix and take bonds with surety in accordance with the laws and practice in criminal proceedings, the same to be taken to the city in all cases in which said court has or may have final jurisdiction.

SEC. 173. Said court shall proceed without a jury and may adjourn the hearing or trial of any criminal case from time to time, and shall hold its sessions at such hours and times as the judges may appoint, but shall hold daily sessions each week for the disposition of criminal cases if any are pending and requiring immediate hearing.

SEC. 174. Said judges may adopt rules permitting cash or other bail to be granted or accepted and taken by the clerks or prosecuting attor-

neys of said court when the same is not in session, or by the chief or other officer in charge of the city police.

SEC. 175. The judge of said city court may appoint an official stenographer, whose compensation shall be fixed by said judge, who shall perform the duties required by the judge in civil cases, and who shall perform such duties as stenographer and typist for the officials of the city court as the judge may designate. Said compensation shall be in full for all official duties of such stenographer, including the furnishing of transcript of testimony to the court when required, but when required by any party of record to furnish a transcript, the clerk of said court shall charge, not exceeding the rate fixed by law for copies made by the official stenographer of the superior court, to be accounted for and paid over to the city treasurer by the clerk.

THE MAYOR

SEC. 176. The mayor of said city shall be the chief executive officer thereof, and shall vigilantly cause the law to be executed and enforced therein. He may administer oaths, take depositions and acknowledgments of deeds and other documents in all cases. He shall be conservator of the peace within said city, and shall have authority with force and strong hand when necessary to suppress all disturbances, tumults, riots, routs and unlawful assemblies, and to arrest without warrant and commit to prison for a time not exceeding twenty-four hours any person or persons who may be detected in reveling, quarreling, brawling or otherwise behaving in a disorderly manner, to the disturbance or annoyance of the peaceable inhabitants of said city. He shall have, and may exercise within the limits of said city, all the powers given by law to sheriffs or to other officers in relation to unlawful riotous assemblages, and he may at all times, if need be, require the aid of any sheriff, deputy sheriff, policeman or constable, or any or all of them together, with such other aid as may be necessary, and, whenever he shall have reason to believe that great opposition will be made to the execution of his authority, he shall have power, subject to the provisions of the laws of this state, to call out the several companies of the militia in said city, or either of them, and may exert all the force necessary to enable him to execute the laws within the limits of said city, and his authority in executing the laws and ordinances of said city shall be obeyed in the same manner and under the same penalties as that of sheriffs in like cases. He shall have full power, and is hereby authorized to order closed all gaming places or places reputed to be such, all billiard saloons, bowling alleys, and all places of public resort within said city, at such suitable hour of the evening as the court of common council of said city may, from time to time, fix upon and designate, and at such other times as said court of common council may deem that public safety requires.

SEC. 177. If any person shall hinder, obstruct, resist or abuse the mayor in the execution of his office, or when commanded to assist therein,

being of sufficient age and ability, shall refuse, or unreasonably neglect so to do, such offender shall pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or be imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding six months, or both, at the discretion of the court having cognizance of the offense.

BOARD OF COMPENSATION.

SEC. 178. There shall continue to be in said city a board of compensation consisting of three members, who shall be elected by said court of common council, who shall hold office for the term of three years, and one of whom shall be elected in the month of January in each year. The members of the present board of compensation shall continue in office until their successors are chosen and qualified. Any vacancy may be filled by said court of common council for the unexpired term. Said board of compensation shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their official duties and shall, whenever ordered by said court of common council, appraise all damages to owners of land or buildings taken for public use in pursuance of the provisions of this act, and assess all benefits to persons whose property is especially benefited by the work or improvement for which said land or buildings are taken.

SEC. 179. Said board shall, whenever ordered by the court of common council, assess upon and against all persons whose property is or will be specially benefited by any of the public works, improvements or proceedings mentioned in this act, their just and reasonable share of that portion of the probable or actual expense of such work, proceeding or improvement, which the court of common council shall determine and order to be paid by the person whose property is or will be benefited as aforesaid, and assess upon and against each particular one of said persons the sum which such person shall pay toward such expense, and whenever any assessment of benefits, made in pursuance of this act or any amendments thereof, be ordered to be made against or upon individuals by said court of common council, said board of compensation shall, when ordered by said court of common council, make such assessment.

SEC. 180. Before making any such appraisal of damages in favor of any such person or assessment of benefits upon and against any persons, said board of compensation, or said court of common council as the case may be, shall cause reasonable notice to be given to such person to appear before said board, or said court of common council, as the case may be, at some time and place fixed by such notice, to be heard if he sees fit in reference to such proposed appraisal or assessment. Such notices given by the board of compensation shall be signed by a majority of the members thereof and if given by the court of common council shall be signed by the city clerk. Said notice shall be written or printed and served by leaving a copy thereof at least six days before the time specified in such notice with or at the usual place of abode of the owner, if resident of said city; and if such owner is not a resident of said city, such copy may be left within the time aforesaid with or at the usual place of abode

of any person resident in said city having charge of such land or building for the owner. Such copies may be left as aforesaid by any person requested by such committee to serve said notice and such service shall be deemed sufficient notice to the owner; in case the owner is a non-resident and no person resident in the city has charge of such land or building for the owner, or in case the owner is unknown, or the interest of the owner is uncertain, the judge of the city court of said city shall, on application of said committee, prescribe what notice shall be given to such owner and in what manner the notice shall be given, and notice given as prescribed by such judge shall be deemed sufficient notice to such owner. Said board of compensation, or said court of common council, as the case may be, shall meet at the time and place specified in such notice, and hear the parties interested who shall appear before them, and may adjourn from time to time. When said board of compensation has completed its appraisals or assessments with reference to any particular work, improvement or proceeding, said board shall make a report of its doings in writing to said court of common council, and when such report shall have been accepted and recorded in the records of the proceedings of said court of common council, each and all of said appraisals and assessments shall be deemed to have been legally made and done, and not before. When any assessment of benefits with reference to any particular work, improvement or proceeding shall have been made and completed directly by the court of common council, and when said court of common council may have agreed with the parties in interest in relation to damages or benefits resulting from any work, improvement or proceeding, the doings of said court of common council shall be recorded, and when so recorded each of said appraisals and assessments shall be deemed to have been legally made and done, and not before. The action of a majority of the members of any committee of the court of common council, or of the board of compensation, shall in all cases be deemed the action of such committee or board as fully as if every member thereof were present and participated in such action.

SEC. 180. If any appraisal of damages shall be made in favor of any person, and no assessment shall be made against him for benefits, the amount of said appraisal of damages shall be deemed to be his just compensation and shall be paid to him by said city. If such an appraisal of damages shall be made in favor of any person and an assessment of benefits shall also be made against the same person, the difference between such appraisal of damages and assessment of benefits shall be paid by him to said city, or by said city to him, as the case may be, and he shall be deemed to have received just compensation for all his damages. If any person shall refuse to receive the amount due him, or if, in any case, nobody shall be found in this state having authority to receive the amount due to any person, such amount shall be deposited in the treasury of said city, to be paid to the person entitled to receive the same whenever he shall apply therefor. Benefits may be assessed upon the city of Meriden.

SEC. 181. Any person aggrieved by any appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits made by said court of common council, either upon report of the board of compensation or otherwise, may, within thirty days after public notice of the final vote of said court of common council by which said appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits is made or adopted, appeal from such appraisal or assessment, which appeal shall be by written petition for a reappraisal or reassessment with a proper citation attached thereto, and shall be taken to the superior court for New Haven county, and be returnable to said court upon the first Tuesday of the month next following the taking of such appeal when said court is to be in session, and service thereof shall be made upon the city clerk within the thirty days limited for the taking of such appeal. Appeals taken from an appraisal of damages shall also include an appeal from all assessments of benefits made with reference to the work or improvement in relation to which said appraisal of damages was made.

SEC. 182. Any persons interested in any such appraisal of damages, or in any such assessment of benefits, may join in the taking of an appeal, and in case more than one appeal be taken from the appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits, made with reference to the same public work or improvement, such appeals shall be consolidated by the court and heard and determined at the same time.

SEC. 183. Such appeals shall be privileged cases and heard without delay, may be referred to a committee, or to a state referee, or be heard by the court, and the court, state referee or committee may order such additional notice as may be just and reasonable to any parties who may be interested in such appeals or the result thereof, and notice given in pursuance of such order shall be sufficient notice to the parties so interested.

SEC. 184. If upon the hearing of any such appeal taken from the appraisal of damages, the court, state referee or committee hearing the same shall find cause to increase said damages, said court or committee shall thereupon proceed to make a reassessment of the benefits assessed with reference to such public work or improvement upon the persons specially benefited thereby, so that the benefits assessed shall equal the whole damages appraised with reference to such work or improvement as increased; provided no person shall be assessed a sum greater than the amount of the benefit resulting to him from such work or improvement.

SEC. 185. In case of the taking of any such appeal or appeals from an appraisal of damages, the payment of the benefits assessed with reference to the particular work or improvement shall be suspended until said appeal or appeals shall be finally disposed of, and whether such benefits shall be reassessed or remain unchanged, the court shall determine when the benefits, as finally settled, shall become due and payable, and the finding of the court shall be recorded in the records of the city of Meriden, and the benefits in such case shall be enforced and col-

lected in the manner herein provided for the enforcement and collection of benefits. Said court may, at its discretion, award and apportion costs against any of the parties to such appeal or appeals and issue execution therefor.

SEC. 186. In all cases where, under the provisions of this act, an assessment of benefits shall be made against any person or persons, the mayor, or president pro tempore of the court of common council of said city, may issue a warrant directed to the collector of said city to collect the same of such person or persons, and said collector shall thereupon proceed to execute said warrant and collect such sum in the same manner as collectors of taxes proceed with warrants for the collection of taxes. The amount of any such assessment may also be recovered in an action of *assumpsit* brought in the name of said city against the person from whom the same is due.

SEC. 187. Every assessment made under the provisions of this act shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from and after the date when the same shall finally become due and payable, and shall be and remain a lien upon the property especially benefited by the public work or improvement with reference to which such assessment was made, and such lien and all liens created under the provisions of this act shall take precedence and priority of all the liens and incumbrances on the property whereon the same is imposed, except taxes and other city liens prior in date; and the lands, buildings or other property on which any such lien may exist shall be liable to be foreclosed in the same manner as if said lien were a mortgage thereon given said city of Meriden to secure the amount of such assessment; provided that such lien shall not continue longer than sixty days after the time when such assessment shall finally become due and payable unless, before the expiration of said sixty days, a certificate, signed by the collector of said city, or by the mayor of said city, describing the property on which the lien exists, and the amount claimed by said city as lien thereon, shall be lodged with the city clerk of Meriden, and whenever any such lien shall cease to exist a certificate of such fact, signed by the collector or mayor of said city for the time being, shall be lodged with said city clerk. The city clerk shall record all such certificates in a book kept for that purpose, and the reasonable expense of filing such lien shall be added to such assessment.

SEC. 188. Whenever, by the layout of any street or the alteration of any street, any land shall be taken, upon which a building or a part of a building is situated, the court of common council of said city shall have power to agree with the owner thereof for the continuance of such building or part of building upon the land so taken, for such period as it may see fit.

SEC. 189. Whenever any building lines for any street, highway or walk are designated by the court of common council, the survey

shall contain a description of such line or lines and of the land on which the proprietor or proprietors are prohibited to build, and a copy of the same, as accepted by the court of common council and recorded in the records thereof, shall be lodged on file with the city clerk of Meriden and be recorded by said clerk, and the damages and benefits resulting from such designation shall be appraised and assessed in the manner provided for the appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits in sections one hundred and eighty-six and one hundred and eighty-seven of this act. Any person who shall, contrary to the provisions of this act, erect any building between any lines designated, as are by this act provided, and any highway, street, walk or avenue in said city, shall forfeit and pay, for the use of said city, a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, and the continuance of any building or part of a building, between any such line and any highway, street, public walk or avenue, in said city for a day of twenty-four hours after the day of commencement thereof, shall be deemed a separate and single offense and, in addition to such fine, all such buildings shall be annually assessed fourfold in the assessment list in the city of Meriden. Appeals from the appraisal of damages or assessment of benefits made upon the establishment of any such building line may be taken and proceeded with in the manner provided for appeals in sections one hundred eighty-one to one hundred eighty-five inclusive.

SEC. 190. This act shall not take effect unless approved at a special election of said town of Meriden to be held within thirty days after the approval of this act. The mayor of said city and the selectmen of said town shall give warning of said special meeting and shall, in said warning, give notice to the electors of said town that the question of the approval or disapproval of this act will be voted upon. Those electors who are in favor of approving this act will give in their ballots with the words "Consolidation of town and city governments, yes" written or printed thereon, and those opposed will give in their ballots with the words "Consolidation of town and city governments, no" written or printed thereon. Said ballots shall be furnished by the selectmen. If a majority of ballots so given in have the words "Consolidation of town and city governments, yes" written or printed thereon, this act shall take effect and be in force from the first Monday of September, 1921. Ballot boxes for the reception of said ballots shall be provided by the selectmen at each of the five wards of said town at a place in each ward to be designated by said selectmen and advertised in said warning to said electors. Said ballot boxes shall remain open from six o'clock a. m. until six o'clock p. m., at which latter time they shall be closed and the ballots counted, and the box tenders shall make returns to the moderator of said meeting, who shall declare said vote. The moderator of the first ward shall be the chairman of the moderators of said wards to whom shall be transmitted by the moderator of the remaining wards the result of vote in their separate wards, and he shall

act as moderator of the meeting to declare said vote. The registry list of said town shall be used and the registrars of voters shall appoint moderators, box tenders, checkers and counters for the taking of said vote. If the majority of said ballots shall be in favor of approving said act, a certificate of said approval, signed by the town clerk of said Meriden, shall be transmitted to the secretary of the state, who shall record the same.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 180.]

[414.]

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE STATE TUBERCULOSIS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1923.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the state tuberculosis commission for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923:

HARTFORD SANATORIUM.

Male help's living quarters and equipment	\$ 7,500
X-ray equipment	2,500
Nurses' Home, for sleeping porch	3,000
Heliotherapy platform	600
Recreation hall	10,000

MERIDEN SANATORIUM.

Infirmery, for equipment	10,000
Children's playground, making and equipping	1,500
Recreation hall, erection and equipment	12,500
Shacks, for glass sash	3,800

NORWICH SANATORIUM.

Bake shop, enlargement of staff dining-room and help's quarters	4,000
Farmhouse, for enlargement	2,500
Superintendent's cottage, for sleeping porch	700
Recreation hall, erection and equipment	10,000

SHELTON SANATORIUM.

Barn	6,500
Garage	2,300
Heliotherapy platform	600

THE SEASIDE SANATORIUM.

Well and windmill	3,500
Nurses' and help's home	20,000

Superintendent's cottage	15,000	
Cement road around institution	3,800	

ALL SANATORIA.

Miscellaneous equipment	25,000	
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HARTFORD, NORWICH AND SHELTON SANATORIA.

Fire protection	20,000	
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MERIDEN AND SEASIDE SANATORIA.

Salaries of teachers	10,000	
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Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 651.]

[415.]

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR EXPENSES OF THE
STATE FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1923.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the objects hereinafter specified for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

GOVERNOR.

Salary of the governor, ten thousand dollars..	\$10,000	
Salary of executive secretary, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Salary of executive clerk, five thousand six hundred dollars	5,600	
Inaugural ceremonies, two thousand dollars...	2,000	
Office and incidental expenses, seven thousand dollars	7,000	
Governor's extraordinary expenses, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Salary of lieutenant governor, three thousand dollars	3,000	\$37,600

SECRETARY OF THE STATE.

Salary of the secretary, five thousand dollars	\$5,000	
Salary of deputy secretary, seven thousand dollars	7,000	
Salary of chief clerk, six thousand dollars....	6,000	
Salary of first assistant clerk, four thousand eight hundred dollars.....	4,800	

Clerks, twenty-six thousand dollars.....	26,000	
Office and incidental expenses, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Compilation of state register and manual, two hundred dollars	200	54,000

STATE TREASURER.

Salary of treasurer, five thousand dollars....	\$5,000	
Salary of deputy treasurer, seven thousand dollars	7,000	
Salary of chief clerk, five thousand dollars...	5,000	
Salary of first assistant clerk, four thousand eight hundred dollars.....	4,800	
Salary of second assistant clerk, four thousand dollars	4,000	
Salaries of clerks, school fund bureau, eight thousand two hundred dollars.....	8,200	
Clerks, twenty thousand dollars.....	20,000	
Office and incidental expenses, including board of equalization and school fund bureau, twenty thousand dollars	20,000	
Special examinations, school fund loans, one thousand dollars	1,000	
Interest on state bonds, two million dollars....	2,000,000	2,075,000

COMPTROLLER.

Salary of comptroller, five thousand dollars...	\$5,000	
Salary of deputy comptroller, seven thousand dollars	7,000	
Salary of chief clerk, five thousand dollars....	5,000	
Clerks, one hundred thousand dollars.....	100,000	
Office and incidental expenses, twenty-one thousand eight hundred dollars.....	21,800	
Salary of superintendent, four thousand eight hundred dollars.....	4,800	
Salary of assistant superintendent, four thousand four hundred dollars.....	4,400	148,000

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Salary of attorney general, twelve thousand dollars	\$12,000	
Attorney general, personal expense, two thousand dollars	2,000	

Office expenses, seven thousand dollars.....	7,000	
Assistance to attorney general, eight thousand dollars	8,000	29,000
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BOARD OF CONTROL.

Board of control, three hundred thousand dollars	\$300,000	
Board of control, office expenses.....	2,000	302,000
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SALARIES OF JUSTICES AND JUDGES.

Salary of chief justice, nineteen thousand dollars	\$19,000	
Salaries and expenses of associate justices, supreme court, seventy-two thousand dollars	72,000	
Salaries and expenses of eleven judges of the superior court, one hundred ninety-eight thousand dollars	198,000	
Salaries and expenses of state referees, eighty-seven thousand dollars.....	87,000	
Salary judge of common pleas court, Hartford county, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
Salary judge of common pleas court, New Haven county, civil side, ten thousand dollars	10,000	
Salary judge of common pleas court, New Haven county, criminal side, ten thousand dollars	10,000	
Salary judge of common pleas court, New London county, civil side, six thousand dollars	6,000	
Salary judge of common pleas court, New London county, criminal side, one thousand dollars	1,000	
Salary judge of common pleas court, Fairfield county, civil side, ten thousand dollars...	10,000	
Salary judge of common pleas court, Fairfield county, criminal side, ten thousand dollars	10,000	
Salary judge of common pleas court, Litchfield county, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Salary judge of district court of Waterbury, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000	
Salary deputy judge of district court of Waterbury, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	

Expenses judges of common pleas and district courts, one thousand eight hundred dollars	1,800	453,800
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SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF STATE'S ATTORNEYS.

Hartford county, nine thousand dollars.....	\$9,000	
Hartford county, assistant, two thousand dollars	2,000	
New Haven county, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
New Haven county, assistant, six thousand dollars	6,000	
New Haven county, assistant at Waterbury, six thousand dollars	6,000	
New London county, six thousand six hundred dollars	6,600	
Fairfield county, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000	
Fairfield county, assistant, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Windham county, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Litchfield county, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Middlesex county, three thousand four hundred dollars	3,400	
Tolland county, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
Expenses of state's attorneys and assistants, four thousand eight hundred dollars....	4,800	72,800

SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS.

New Haven county, five thousand dollars....	\$5,000	
New London county, two thousand four hundred dollars.....	2,400	
Fairfield county, common pleas court, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Fairfield county, common pleas court, assistant, two thousand dollars	2,000	
District court of Waterbury, three thousand dollars	3,000	
Expenses of prosecuting attorneys, one thousand six hundred dollars	1,600	19,000

SALARIES OF SHERIFFS.

Hartford county, eleven thousand dollars.....	\$11,000
New Haven county, twelve thousand dollars..	12,000
New London county, eight thousand dollars..	8,000
Fairfield county, eleven thousand dollars....	11,000

Windham county, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Litchfield county, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Middlesex county, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Tolland county, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	62,000

CLERKS AND ASSISTANTS OF SUPERIOR COURTS.

Hartford county, sixteen thousand dollars....	\$16,000	
New Haven county, at New Haven, twenty-three thousand dollars.....	23,000	
New Haven county, at Waterbury, seven thousand two hundred dollars.....	7,200	
New London county, fourteen thousand dollars	14,000	
Fairfield county, twenty-four thousand dollars	24,000	
Windham county, seven thousand dollars....	7,000	
Litchfield county, seven thousand two hundred dollars	7,200	
Middlesex county, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Tolland county, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	109,400

CLERKS OF COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS.

Hartford county, seven thousand dollars....	\$7,000	
New Haven county, civil side, seven thousand dollars	7,000	
New Haven county, criminal side, five thousand dollars	5,000	
New London county, civil side, seven thousand four hundred dollars.....	7,400	
New London county, criminal side, one thousand dollars.....	1,000	
Fairfield county, civil side, thirteen thousand dollars	13,000	
Fairfield county, criminal side, three thousand dollars	3,000	
Litchfield county, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
District court of Waterbury, civil side, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
District court of Waterbury, civil side, assistant, three thousand dollars	3,000	
District court of Waterbury, criminal side, one thousand dollars	1,000	57,400

MESSENGERS OF COURTS.

Hartford county, superior court, three thousand dollars.....	\$3,000
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New Haven county, superior court, three thousand six hundred dollars.....	3,600	
New Haven county, superior court at Waterbury, two thousand four hundred dollars.	2,400	
New London county, superior court, two thousand four hundred dollars.....	2,400	
Fairfield county, superior court, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
Litchfield county, superior court, eight hundred dollars	800	
Tolland county, superior court, six hundred dollars	600	
Hartford county, common pleas court, two thousand four hundred dollars.....	2,400	
New Haven county, common pleas court, civil, two thousand four hundred dollars.....	2,400	
New London county, common pleas court, civil, two thousand four hundred dollars.....	2,400	
Litchfield county, common pleas court, six hundred dollars.....	600	
District court of Waterbury, two thousand dollars	2,000	25,600

REPORTER OF JUDICIAL DECISIONS.

Salary of reporter, twelve thousand dollars..	\$12,000	
Salary of clerk and stenographer, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Office expenses, four hundred dollars.....	400	16,400

COURT EXPENSES.

SUPERIOR COURT, HARTFORD COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, fifty-two thousand dollars.....	\$52,000	
Jury debenture, sixteen thousand dollars.....	16,000	
Bills of costs, fifty-two thousand dollars.....	52,000	
Clerical assistance, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	126,000

SUPERIOR COURT, NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, one hundred eight thousand dollars.....	\$108,000	
Jury debenture, forty-six thousand dollars....	46,000	
Bills of costs, seventy-five thousand dollars...	75,000	

Clerical assistance, four thousand six hundred dollars	4,600	233,600
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SUPERIOR COURT, NEW HAVEN COUNTY AT WATERBURY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, thirty-five thousand dollars.....	\$35,000	
Jury debenture, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.....	12,500	
Bills of costs, twenty-five thousand two hundred dollars.....	25,200	
Clerical assistance, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	77,700

SUPERIOR COURT, NEW LONDON COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, thirty thousand dollars.....	\$30,000	
Jury debenture, thirteen thousand dollars....	13,000	
Bills of costs, twenty-four thousand dollars..	24,000	
Clerical assistance, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	69,000

SUPERIOR COURT, FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, seventy-five thousand dollars.....	\$75,000	
Jury debenture, twenty-one thousand dollars..	21,000	
Bills of costs, fifty thousand dollars.....	50,000	
Clerical assistance, five thousand four hundred dollars	5,400	151,400

SUPERIOR COURT, WINDHAM COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, fourteen thousand dollars.....	\$14,000	
Jury debenture, five thousand five hundred dollars	5,500	
Bills of costs, eleven thousand five hundred dollars	11,500	
Clerical assistance, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	33,000

SUPERIOR COURT, LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, fifteen thousand dollars.....	\$15,000	
Jury debenture, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000	

Bills of costs, thirteen thousand dollars.....	13,000	
Clerical assistance, one thousand four hundred dollars	1,400	37,400
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SUPERIOR COURT, MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, sixteen thousand five hundred dollars.....	\$16,500	
Jury debenture, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Bills of costs, nine thousand dollars.....	9,000	29,500
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SUPERIOR COURT, TOLLAND COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, five thousand five hundred dollars.....	\$5,500	
Jury debenture, two thousand five hundred dollars	2,500	
Bills of costs, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	12,000
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COMMON PLEAS COURT, HARTFORD COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, sixteen thousand dollars.....	\$16,000	
Jury debenture, seven thousand five hundred dollars	7,500	
Clerical assistance, two thousand dollars....	2,000	25,500
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COMMON PLEAS COURT, NEW HAVEN COUNTY.
CIVIL SIDE.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, seventeen thousand dollars.....	\$17,000	
Jury debenture, twelve thousand dollars.....	12,000	
Clerical assistance, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	31,000
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COMMON PLEAS COURT, NEW HAVEN COUNTY.
CRIMINAL SIDE.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, ten thousand dollars.....	\$10,000	
Jury debenture, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
Bills of costs, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	30,000
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COMMON PLEAS COURT, NEW LONDON COUNTY.
CIVIL SIDE.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, six thousand dollars	\$6,000	
Jury debenture, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	8,000

COMMON PLEAS COURT, NEW LONDON COUNTY.
CRIMINAL SIDE.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, three thousand dollars.....	\$3,000	
Jury debenture, one thousand dollars.....	1,000	
Bills of costs, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	7,000

COMMON PLEAS COURT, FAIRFIELD COUNTY.
CIVIL SIDE.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, twenty-five thousand dollars.....	\$25,000	
Jury debenture, nine thousand dollars.....	9,000	
Clerical assistance, two thousand one hundred dollars	2,100	36,100

COMMON PLEAS COURT, FAIRFIELD COUNTY.
CRIMINAL SIDE.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, four thousand dollars.....	\$4,000	
Jury debenture, three thousand seven hundred dollars.....	3,700	
Bills of costs, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000	15,700

COMMON PLEAS COURT, LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	\$2,500	
Jury debenture, seven hundred fifty dollars...	750	3,250

DISTRICT COURT OF WATERBURY.

Sheriff's attendance and other expenses, fifteen thousand dollars.....	\$15,000	
Jury debenture, seven thousand dollars.....	7,000	
Bills of costs, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	26,000

MISCELLANEOUS.

Rewards paid by inferior courts, one thousand dollars	\$1,000	
Board of pardons, salary of clerk, four hundred dollars	400	
Board of pardons, expenses, five hundred dollars	500	
Board of mediation and arbitration, five hundred dollars.....	500	2,400

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Adjutant general's office:

Salary of adjutant general, eight thousand dollars.....	\$8,000
Salary of assistant adjutant general, five thousand dollars.....	5,000
Salaries of clerks and stenographers, nineteen thousand three hundred eighty dollars	19,380
Office expense, postage, travel and printing, seven thousand dollars.....	7,000

Surgeon general's office:

Salary of surgeon general, one thousand dollars.....	1,000
Office expenses, surgeon general, one thousand four hundred dollars.....	1,400

Governor's staff, pay and traveling expenses, four thousand dollars.....	4,000
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Governor's foot guard:

Pay and allowances, first company, five thousand seven hundred fifty-two dollars	5,752
Pay and allowances, second company, four thousand seven hundred fifty-two dollars	4,752

Quartermaster's department:

Salary of assistant quartermaster general, five thousand dollars.....	5,000
Salary of chief clerk, quartermaster's department, four thousand dollars.....	4,000
Salaries of clerks and stenographers, quartermaster's department, ten thousand dollars	10,000
Pay of laborers and watchmen, twelve thousand dollars.....	12,000

Pay of ordnance sergeant, engineer and laborers, state arsenal and armory, fifteen thousand dollars.....	15,000
Pay of quartermaster sergeants (janitors state armories), forty thousand dollars.	40,000
Caretaker, East Haven rifle range, five hundred dollars.....	500
Military storekeeper, state military reservation, Niantic, four thousand dollars..	4,000
Pay of national guard, one hundred thirty-five thousand three hundred fifteen dollars.....	135,315
Pay for expert rifle and pistol shots, two thousand dollars	2,000
Pay of supply sergeants, three thousand three hundred dollars.....	3,300
Pay of headquarters and company clerks, two thousand fifty dollars.....	2,050
Officers' allowance for care of property, four thousand five hundred dollars....	4,500
Officers' uniform allowance, twenty-seven thousand four hundred dollars.....	27,400
Allowance to organization for printing, postage and stationery, eight thousand one hundred fifty dollars.....	8,150
General expenses (officers' schools, examining boards, examination of recruits, courts martial, inspection, details, military exemptions), fifteen thousand dollars	15,000
Office supplies and postage, five thousand dollars	5,000
Telegraph and telephone, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500
Premiums on officers' bonds, two thousand dollars	2,000
Transportation of officers and enlisted men, three thousand dollars	3,000
Freight and expressage, six thousand dollars	6,000
Care of armories:	
Heat, light and water, eighty thousand dollars	80,000
Insurance, twenty-five thousand dollars...	25,000
Repairs to armories, twenty-one thousand dollars	21,000

Armory rentals, eight thousand dollars...	8,000	
Rifle ranges, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Contingent, twenty thousand dollars.....	20,000	520,999

STATES BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Common schools, one million six hundred ninety thousand seven hundred sixty-one dollars	\$1,690,761	
Evening schools, thirty thousand dollars.....	30,000	
Classes for non-English speaking adults, thirty thousand dollars.....	30,000	
High school tuition, three hundred thousand dollar	300,000	
High school conveyance, one hundred thousand dollars	100,000	
Support of schools, seven hundred fifteen thousand dollars.....	715,000	
Supervision of schools, three hundred fifty thousand dollars.....	350,000	
School libraries and apparatus, thirty thousand dollars.....	30,000	
Public libraries, thirty-five thousand dollars..	35,000	
Teachers' meetings, eight thousand dollars....	8,000	
Normal schools, four hundred thousand dollars	400,000	
Special agents, salaries and expenses, one hundred forty thousand dollars.....	140,000	
Public library committee, twelve thousand dollars	12,000	
Office expenses, seventy thousand dollars.....	70,000	
Printing and binding, fifteen thousand dollars	15,000	
Salaries, seventy-six thousand five hundred dollars	76,500	
State board of education, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500	
Traveling expenses of secretary and agent, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000	
Trade schools, five hundred forty thousand dollars	540,000	
Trained teachers, twenty thousand dollars....	20,000	
Model school teachers, ten thousand dollars...	10,000	
Normal summer schools, twenty thousand dollars	20,000	
Vocational education, one hundred twenty thousand dollars.....	120,000	
Americanization, fifty thousand dollars.....	50,000	

Physical examination of children, twenty thousand dollars.....	20,000	4,791,761
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STATE LIBRARY.

Maintenance of building, eighty-two thousand five hundred dollars.....	\$82,500	
Salary of librarian, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
Salaries of assistants, twenty-six thousand dollars	26,000	
Incidental expenses, two thousand five hundred dollars	2,500	
Supplies, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Purchase of books, eight thousand seven hundred dollars.....	8,700	
Purchase of new books, one thousand dollars..	1,000	
Binding books, three thousand five hundred dollars	3,500	
Special reports, three thousand five hundred dollars	3,500	
Preserving and indexing records, ten thousand dollars	10,000	
Revolutionary records, one thousand dollars..	1,000	
Mitchelson collection, five hundred dollars....	500	
Legislative work, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
Examiner public records, salary, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
Examiner public records, expenses, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	
Department of war records, twenty thousand dollars	20,000	
Identification and marking of soldiers' graves, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	199,200

CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Payment in lieu of interest, thirteen thousand five hundred dollars	\$13,500	
Extension work, one hundred thousand dollars	100,000	
Current expenses, two hundred fifty thousand dollars	250,000	
State scholarship, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	367,500

STORRS EXPERIMENT STATION.

Maintenance, thirty-five thousand dollars.....	\$35,000	35,000
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CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

Current expenses, eighty-two thousand dollars.	\$82,000	
Food and drug investigation, fifteen thousand dollars	15,000	
Suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths and inspecting imported nursery stock, sixty thousand dollars.....	60,000	
Bee diseases, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Control of white pine blister rust, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
Mosquito elimination, twelve thousand dollars.	12,000	
State entomologist, twenty-five thousand dollars	25,000	208,000
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STATE FORESTOR AND FIRE WARDENS.

Expenses of state forestor, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.....	\$12,500	
Purchase of land, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
Fire wardens, fifteen thousand dollars.....	15,000	37,500
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STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

Current expenses, twelve thousand dollars....	\$12,000	
Office expenses, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Agricultural societies, thirty-one thousand dollars	31,000	
Agricultural publications, one thousand dollars	1,000	
Eastern States Industrial and Agricultural Exposition, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	53,000
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MISCELLANEOUS AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

Connecticut Poultrymen's Association, two thousand dollars.....	\$2,000	
Connecticut Pomological Society, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
New England Fruit Show, four thousand dollars	4,000	
Connecticut Vegetable Growers' Association, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500	
Connecticut Sheep Breeders' Association, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500	
Connecticut Dairymen's Association, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
Connecticut Poultry Breeders' Society, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	

Connecticut Swine Growers' Association, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500	
Promotion of agricultural interests, thirty- two thousand dollars.....	32,000	50,500

MOTOR VEHICLE DEPARTMENT.

Salary of commissioner, twelve thousand dollars	\$12,000	
Salary of deputy commissioner, seven thousand dollars	7,000	
Salary of chief clerk, five thousand dollars....	5,000	
Salary of assistant chief clerk, four thousand eight hundred dollars.....	4,800	
Per diem clerks, two hundred four thousand dollars	204,000	
Office expenses, one hundred twenty thousand dollars	120,000	
Automobiles, fourteen thousand dollars.....	14,000	
Motor vehicle markers, one hundred thousand dollars	100,000	
Preparing auto lists or rate book hearings, four hundred dollars.....	400	
Hearings, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	470,200

HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

Salary of commissioner, sixteen thousand dollars	\$16,000	
Commissioner's traveling expenses, two thou- sand dollars.....	2,000	
Automobile expenses, eight thousand five hun- dred dollars.....	8,500	
Office and clerical expenses, fifty thousand dollars	50,000	
Engineers, four hundred thousand dollars....	400,000	
Trunk line and state aid bridges and ferries, five hundred fifty thousand dollars.....	550,000	
Elimination of dangerous conditions, one hun- dred thousand dollars.....	100,000	
State aid repairs, five hundred thousand dollars	500,000	1,626,500

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

Salary of commissioner, seven thousand dollars	\$7,000
Salaries of actuaries and clerks, eighty thou- sand dollars.....	80,000

Examinations, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
Printing and stationery, eight thousand dollars	8,000	
Incidentals, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Contingent expenses for examinations, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	104,000
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BANK COMMISSION.

Salary of commissioner, twelve thousand dollars	\$12,000	
Salary of deputy, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000	
Salaries of examiners, clerks and assistants, one hundred five thousand dollars.....	105,000	
Expenses of commissioner, three thousand dollars	3,000	
Expenses of deputy, clerks and assistants, forty thousand dollars.....	40,000	
Contingent expenses, ten thousand dollars....	10,000	178,000
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DAIRY AND FOOD COMMISSION.

Salary of commissioner, five thousand dollars..	\$5,000	
Salary of deputy, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Expenses of deputy, two thousand four hundred dollars	2,400	
Office and traveling expenses of clerk and special inspectors, thirty-five thousand dollars	35,000	
Milk regulation board, fifty thousand dollars..	50,000	
Regulation of manufacture and sale of ice cream, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	100,400
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COMMISSION ON DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

Salary of commissioner, five thousand dollars..	\$5,000	
Salary of deputy commissioner, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Traveling expenses of deputy commissioner, two thousand four hundred dollars.....	2,400	
Office, travel and veterinary assistance and incidental expenses, sixty-five thousand dollars	65,000	
Suppression of cholera among hogs, twenty thousand dollars.....	20,000	
Glanders and farcy, twenty thousand dollars..	20,000	
Cattle condemned, tuberculosis, thirty-five thousand dollars.....	35,000	

Herd tubercular test, one hundred forty thousand dollars.....	140,000	
Veterinary, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	302,400

COMMISSION ON FISH AND GAME.

Salary of superintendent, seven thousand dollars	\$7,000	
Expenses of superintendent, four thousand dollars	4,000	
Clerical expenses, four thousand two hundred dollars	4,200	
Fish and game wardens, one thousand dollars.	1,000	
Establishment of game preserves, five hundred dollars	500	
Propagation of fish, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
Fish hatcheries, twenty thousand dollars.....	20,000	
Loyster hatcheries, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	56,700

SHELL-FISH COMMISSION.

Salaries and expenses of commission, three thousand dollars	\$3,000	
Salary of clerk, three thousand six hundred dollars	3,600	
Salary of engineer, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Office and incidental expenses, two thousand dollars	2,000	
Maintenance of boat, seven thousand five hundred dollars.....	7,500	
Assessment and collection of taxes, two thousand eight hundred dollars.....	2,800	
Buoymg natural oyster beds, one thousand dollars	1,000	
Signals, five hundred dollars.....	500	
Engineer's expenses, six hundred dollars.....	600	27,000

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND FACTORY INSPECTION.
LABOR DEPARTMENT.**

Salary of commissioner, seven thousand dollars	\$7,000	
Salary of chief clerk, four thousand dollars...	4,000	
Salary of special agent, six thousand dollars..	6,000	
Salary of industrial investigator, six thousand dollars	6,000	
Office expense, six thousand five hundred dollars	6,500	

Free employment bureaus, forty-eight thousand dollars.....	48,000	
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FACTORY INSPECTION DEPARTMENT.

Salary of deputy inspector, four thousand dollars	\$4,000	
Salary and expenses of deputies, sixty-four thousand dollars.....	64,000	
Office expenses, five thousand five hundred dollars	5,500	151,000

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION COMMISSION.

Salaries of commissioners, forty-five thousand dollars	45,000	
Expenses of commissioners, fifty thousand dollars	50,000	
Printing, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500	96,500

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION.

Salaries of commissioners, thirty thousand dollars	\$30,000	
Expenses of commissioners, six thousand six hundred dollars.....	6,600	
Salary of secretary, seven thousand dollars...	7,000	
Statistical department, twelve thousand dollars	12,000	
Salary of clerk, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Salaries of stenographers and assistant accountants, nineteen thousand dollars.....	19,000	
Engineers, inspectors and special experts, twenty-three thousand dollars	23,000	
Incidental and contingent expenses, thirteen thousand dollars.....	13,000	114,600

TAX COMMISSIONER.

Salary of commissioner, twelve thousand dollars	\$12,000	
Expenses of commissioner, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Clerical assistance, eighty thousand dollars....	80,000	
Office and incidentals, twenty thousand two hundred dollars	20,200	117,200

STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Salary of superintendent, eight thousand dollars	8,000	
Expenses of superintendent, four thousand dollars	4,000	
Salary of captain, five thousand four hundred dollars	5,400	
Salary of lieutenant, four thousand six hundred dollars.....	4,600	
Salaries of sergeants, eight thousand four hundred dollars.....	8,400	
Pay of policemen, one hundred sixty thousand dollars	160,000	
Expenses of officers and policemen, one hundred thousand dollars.....	100,000	
Uniforms and equipment, thirty thousand six hundred dollars.....	30,600	
Transportation equipment, fifty thousand dollars	50,000	
Maintenance of transportation equipment, thirty-three thousand dollars.....	33,000	
Office expense, thirty thousand dollars.....	30,000	
Clerks, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	444,000

STATE PARK AND FOREST COMMISSION.

Maintenance and expenses, thirty thousand dollars	\$30,000	30,000
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STATE GEOLOGICAL AND NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY.

Expenses, one thousand dollars.....	\$1,000	
Scientific work, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	6,000

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD.

Salaries and wages, thirteen thousand dollars..	\$13,000	
Office expenses, travel and incidentals, four thousand eight hundred dollars	4,800	
Pension fund, one hundred fifty thousand dollars	150,000	167,800

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

General administrative expenses, thirty-one thousand dollars.....	\$31,000	
Salary of commissioner, eight thousand dollars	8,000	

Purchase and free distribution of antitoxin, twenty-five thousand dollars.....	25,000	
Preventable diseases, thirty thousand dollars..	30,000	
Vital statistics, twenty-five thousand dollars..	25,000	
Sanitary engineering, twenty-five thousand dollars	25,000	
Laboratory, fifty thousand dollars.....	50,000	
Child hygiene, thirty-six thousand dollars....	36,000	
Venereal diseases, twenty thousand dollars....	20,000	
Mental hygiene, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	256,000

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

ADULT WELFARE DIVISION.

Salary of secretary, five thousand dollars....	\$5,000	
Salary of inspector of institutions, four thou- sand eight hundred dollars.....	4,800	
Clerks, five thousand four hundred dollars....	5,400	
Office expenses, seven hundred fifty dollars....	750	
Traveling expenses of board and secretary, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Traveling expenses of inspector of insti- tutions, two thousand four hundred dol- lars	2,400	22,350

CHILD WELFARE DIVISION.

Salary of commissioner, ten thousand dollars..	\$10,000	
Salary of deputy commissioner, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Salaries of agents, forty-eight thousand eight hundred dollars.....	48,800	
Clerks, fifteen thousand seven hundred twenty dollars.....	15,720	
Office and travel, forty-six thousand five hun- dred dollars.....	46,500	
Automobile account, seven thousand dollars...	7,000	
Contingent, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
For board of children under four years of age.	50,000	186,020

CONNECTICUT PRISON ASSOCIATION.

Salary of secretary and agent, two thousand dollars	\$2,000	
Discharged prisoners, ten thousand dollars....	10,000	
Clerk, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	

Care of insane prisoners, one thousand dol- lars	1,000	
Probation supplies, seven hundred fifty dollars	750	16,750

STATE AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS.
WIDOWS' AID.

Salary state agent, six thousand dollars	\$6,000	
Traveling expenses of agent, eight hundred dollars.....	800	
Salaries of clerks and investiga- tors, ten thousand dollars..	10,000	
Office expense, five thousand dollars	5,000	
Salaries of investigators, eight thousand two hundred dol- lars	8,200	
Expenses of investigators, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Benefits to widows, seven hun- dred twenty thousand dol- lars	720,000	755,000

STATE AID AND HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Salary of agent, four thousand dollars	\$4,000	
Salary of deputy, five thou- sand dollars.....	5,000	
Salaries of clerks, twenty-six thousand dollars.....	26,000	
Investigators, fifteen thousand dollars	15,000	
Attorney and investigator, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Office expense, five thousand dol- lars	5,000	
Expenses of investigations, transfers and deportations, sixty thousand dollars.....	60,000	
Payments to towns, two hundred thousand dollars.....	200,000	320,000
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MANSFIELD STATE TRAINING SCHOOL AND HOSPITAL.

Salaries, wages and labor, two hundred sixteen thousand dollars.....	\$216,00
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Food, one hundred twenty thousand dollars...	120,000	
Clothing and clothing materials, seventy-five thousand dollars.....	75,000	
Furnishings and household supplies, thirty thousand dollars.....	30,000	
Heat, light and power, eighty thousand dollars	80,000	
Ordinary repairs, fourteen thousand dollars..	14,000	
Farms and stable, forty thousand dollars.....	40,000	
Grounds, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Medical and general care, twenty-two thousand dollars	22,000	
Office, travel and incidental expenses, twenty thousand dollars.....	20,000	
Miscellaneous, three thousand five hundred dollars	3,500	624,500

CONNECTICUT STATE HOSPITAL.

Salaries, wages and labor, five hundred ninety-five thousand dollars.....	\$595,000	
Food, five hundred sixty thousand dollars....	560,000	
Clothing and clothing materials, one hundred twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars	122,500	
Furnishings and household supplies, seventy thousand dollars	70,000	
Heat, light and power, one hundred forty thousand dollars.....	140,000	
Ordinary repairs, eighty-seven thousand five hundred dollars	87,500	
Farm, stable and grounds, eighty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.....	87,500	
Medical and general care, thirty-five thousand dollars	35,000	
Office, incidental and travel, seventeen thousand five hundred dollars.....	17,500	
Miscellaneous and insurance, thirty-five thousand dollars.....	35,000	1,750,000

NORWICH STATE HOSPITAL.

Salaries, wages and labor, two hundred fifty thousand dollars.....	\$250,000
Food, two hundred ninety-five thousand dollars	295,000
Clothing and clothing materials, thirty thousand dollars.....	30,000

Furnishings and household supplies, thirty-five thousand dollars.....	35,000	
Heat, light and power, one hundred thousand dollars	100,000	
Ordinary repairs, thirty thousand dollars....	30,000	
Farm and stable, seventy-five thousand dollars	75,000	
Grounds, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
Medical and general care, eleven thousand dollars	11,000	
Office and incidental expenses and travel, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000	
Miscellaneous, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	840,000

CONNECTICUT STATE PRISON.

Deficiency in earnings, one hundred thirty thousand dollars.....	\$130,000	
Pay of convicts, forty thousand dollars.....	40,000	
Library, one thousand dollars.....	1,000	
Repairs and equipment, thirty thousand dollars	30,000	
Extension of wall, thirty thousand dollars....	30,000	231,000

CONNECTICUT REFORMATORY.

Salaries, wages and labor, two hundred ten thousand twenty-two dollars	\$210,022	
Food, sixty-nine thousand two hundred fifty dollars	69,250	
Clothing and clothing materials, thirty-three thousand six hundred dollars.....	33,600	
Furnishings and household supplies, sixteen thousand three hundred dollars.....	16,300	
Heat, light and power, fifty thousand two hundred dollars.....	50,200	
Ordinary repairs, fifteen thousand two hundred dollars	15,200	
Farm and stable, thirty-five thousand dollars..	35,000	
Grounds, one thousand dollars.....	1,000	
Medical and general care, fifteen thousand eight hundred fifty dollars.....	15,850	
Office, travel and incidental expenses, twenty thousand six hundred dollars.....	20,600	467,022

STATE FARM FOR WOMEN.

Salaries, wages and labor, thirty-five thousand dollars	\$35,000
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Food, forty thousand dollars.....	40,000	
Clothing and clothing materials, twenty thousand dollars.....	20,000	
Household furnishings and supplies, twenty-five thousand dollars.....	25,000	
Heat, light and power, sixteen thousand dollars	16,000	
Farm and stable, twenty-five thousand dollars.	25,000	
Grounds, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Ordinary repairs, seven thousand dollars.....	7,000	
Medical and general, fourteen thousand dollars	14,000	
Office expense and incidentals, two thousand dollars	2,000	
Parole, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Miscellaneous, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	
Expenses of commission, two thousand dollars	2,000	200,000

CONNECTICUT SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Salaries, wages and labor, one hundred sixteen thousand dollars.....	\$116,000	
Food, eighty thousand dollars.....	80,000	
Clothing and clothing materials, forty thousand dollars.....	40,000	
Furnishings and household supplies, eleven thousand dollars.....	11,000	
Heat, light and power, thirty-five thousand dollars	35,000	
Ordinary repairs, twenty-eight thousand dollars	28,000	
Farm and stable, twenty thousand dollars....	20,000	
Grounds, five hundred dollars.....	500	
Medical and general care, eight thousand dollars	8,000	..
Office, travel and incidental, eighteen thousand dollars	18,000	
Fire insurance, nine thousand five hundred dollars	9,500	
Parole system, nine thousand six hundred dollars	9,600	
Miscellaneous, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	378,600

CONNECTICUT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

Salaries, wages and labor, ninety-five thousand dollars	\$95,000
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Food, forty thousand dollars.....	40,000	
Clothing and materials, sixteen thousand dollars	16,000	
Furnishings and household supplies, sixteen thousand five hundred dollars.....	16,500	
Heat, light and power, twenty-six thousand dollars	26,000	
Ordinary repairs, twenty-five thousand dollars	25,000	
Farm and stable, twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars.....	22,500	
Grounds, three thousand dollars.....	3,000	
Medical and general care, twelve thousand dollars	12,000	
Office and incidental and travel, ten thousand dollars	10,000	
Miscellaneous, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	270,000
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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE BLIND.

Tuition and board, seventy thousand dollars..	\$70,000	
Transportation and clothing, two thousand dollars	2,000	
Machinery, tools and material, two thousand six hundred dollars.....	2,600	
Expenses of board, secretary and office, four thousand six hundred dollars.....	4,600	
Salary of secretary, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	85,200
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SOLDIERS' HOSPITAL BOARD.

Sick and wounded soldiers, three hundred eighty thousand dollars	\$380,000	
Soldiers and families, seventy-five thousand dollars	75,000	
Religious services, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	457,000
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STATE TUBERCULOSIS COMMISSION.

Salaries of directors, fifteen thousand dollars.	\$15,000	
Expenses of directors, three thousand dollars..	3,000	
Salary of secretary, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Office expenses, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Maintenance, salaries and incidentals, one million four hundred thirty-three thousand three hundred eighty dollars.....	1,433,380	1,462,380
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MYSTIC ORAL SCHOOL.

Salaries, wages and labor, forty-four thousand three hundred sixty dollars.....	\$44,360	
Food, nine thousand five hundred sixty-one dollars	9,561	
Clothing and clothing material, six thousand dollars	6,000	
Furnishings and household supplies, five thousand four hundred fifty-four dollars.....	5,454	
Heat, light and power, four thousand six hundred and fifty dollars.....	4,650	
Ordinary repairs, ten thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.....	10,750	
Farm and stable, ten thousand seven hundred forty dollars	10,740	
Grounds, two hundred dollars.....	200	
Medical and general care, three thousand three hundred and sixty dollars.....	3,360	
Office and incidental expenses, two thousand one hundred twenty-five dollars.....	2,125	
Travel, eight hundred dollars.....	800	
Miscellaneous, two thousand dollars.....	2,000	100,000

BOARD OF PRISONERS IN COUNTY JAILS.

Hartford county, twenty-five thousand dollars	\$25,000	
New Haven county, thirty-five thousand dollars	35,000	
New London county, eight thousand dollars...	8,000	
Fairfield county, twenty thousand dollars....	20,000	
Windham county, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Litchfield county, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Middlesex county, two thousand five hundred dollars	2,500	
Tolland county, one thousand two hundred dollars	1,200	101,700

BOARD OF CHILDREN IN COUNTY HOMES.

Hartford county, seventy thousand dollars....	\$70,000
New Haven county, ninety-five thousand dollars	95,000
New London county, thirty-three thousand dollars	33,000
Fairfield county, one hundred five thousand dollars	105,000

Windham county, forty-five thousand dollars	45,000	
Litchfield county, thirty-three thousand dollars	33,000	
Middlesex county, twenty-nine thousand dollars	29,000	
Tolland county, fifteen thousand dollars.....	15,000	425,000

COUNTY HEALTH OFFICERS.

Hartford county, six thousand dollars.....	\$6,000	
New Haven county, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
New London county, one thousand eight hundred dollars	1,800	
Fairfield county, five thousand dollars.....	5,000	
Windham county, one thousand five hundred dollars	1,500	
Litchfield county, one thousand dollars.....	1,000	
Middlesex county, three thousand five hundred dollars	3,500	
Tolland county, one thousand five hundred dollars	1,500	26,300

HOSPITALS.

New Haven General, eighty thousand dollars..	\$80,000
Hartford, forty thousand dollars.....	40,000
St. Francis, Hartford, forty thousand dollars..	40,000
Bridgeport, thirty-five thousand dollars.....	35,000
Grace, New Haven, thirty-five thousand dollars	35,000
Waterbury, eighteen thousand dollars.....	18,000
New Britain, seventeen thousand dollars....	17,000
Norwalk, twenty-two thousand dollars.....	22,000
Lawrence-Memorial Hospital Association, New London, eighteen thousand dollars.....	18,000
Danbury, eighteen thousand dollars.....	18,000
Stamford, twenty-five thousand dollars.....	25,000
St. Vincent's, Bridgeport, thirty-five thousand dollars	35,000
St. Mary's, Waterbury, thirty thousand dollars	30,000
Litchfield County, Winchester, fourteen thousand dollars	14,000
Day-Kimball, Putnam, eighteen thousand dollars	18,000
Middlesex, Middletown, eighteen thousand dollars	18,000

Meriden, twelve thousand dollars.....	12,000	
Backus, Norwich, seventeen thousand dollars..	17,000	
Griffin, Derby, thirteen thousand dollars.....	13,000	
Greenwich, twenty-five thousand dollars	25,000	
Johnson Memorial, Stafford Springs, three thousand dollars	3,000	
St. Joseph's, Willimantic, seventeen thousand dollars	17,000	
St. Raphael's New Haven, thirty thousand dollars	30,000	
Rockville, two thousand five hundred dollars..	2,500	
Sharon, four thousand dollars.....	4,000	
Charlotte Hungerford, Torrington, fourteen thousand dollars	14,000	
South Manchester, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000	
Milford, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000	
Gaylord Farm, Wallingford (tuberculosis), eighty-one thousand dollars	81,000	
Wildwood, Hartford (tuberculosis), thirty thousand dollars	30,000	729,500

MISCELLANEOUS.

Commission on uniformity of state laws, two thousand dollars	\$2,000	
Connecticut State Firemen's Association, twenty-six thousand dollars	26,000	
The Newington Home for Crippled Children, ninety thousand dollars	90,000	
Connecticut Historical Society, two thousand dollars	2,000	
Connecticut Humane Society, eight thousand dollars	8,000	
Women's Relief Corps Home, ten thousand dollars	10,000	
Trustees of Henry Whitfield House, three thou- sand dollars	3,000	
Fort Griswold Tract Commission, one thousand dollars	1,000	
Anna Warner Bailey Chapter, D. A. R., three hundred dollars	300	
Israel Putnam Memorial Camp Ground Asso- ciation, six thousand dollars.....	6,000	
Special commissions, ten thousand dollars....	10,000	
Commission on sculpture, ten thousand dollars	10,000	

State Police Association, eighteen thousand dollars	18,000	
Girls committed to charitable Institutions, ninety thousand dollars	90,000	
Education of the deaf and dumb, two hundred thousand dollars	200,000	
Insane not at Middletown or Norwich, two thousand dollars	2,000	
Capitol and grounds, two hundred forty-eight thousand dollars	248,000	
State auditors, eighteen thousand dollars.....	18,000	
State pensions, thirty thousand dollars.....	30,000	
Water supply Mansfield State Training School and Connecticut Agricultural College, fifteen thousand dollars	15,000	
Burial of deceased soldiers, fifty thousand dollars	50,000	
Printing public documents, two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars	275,000	
Circulating public documents, seven thousand five hundred dollars	7,500	
Railroad indebtedness, fourteen thousand four hundred sixty dollars	14,460	
Surety bonds of state officials, nine thousand dollars	9,000	
Any purpose for which there is existing law and for which no appropriation has been made, fifty thousand dollars	50,000	
Board of civil engineers, two thousand five hundred dollars	2,500	
Expenses of general assembly, including mileage, two hundred forty thousand dollars..	240,000	
State board of finance, salaries, six thousand dollars	6,000	
State board of finance, expenses, twelve thousand dollars	12,000	
Taxes refunded, forty thousand dollars.....	40,000	
Awards under compensation commissioners, fifteen thousand dollars	15,000	
Soldiers' and dependents' aid, fifty thousand dollars	50,000	1,560,760

BRIDGES.

Connecticut river bridge and highway district, sixty-six thousand dollars	\$66,000
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Drawbridges, general, sixteen thousand five hundred dollars	16,500	
River, harbor and bridge commission, five hundred dollars	500	83,000
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Total		\$26,020,392
Approved, June 14, 1921.		

[Senate Bill No. 664.]

[416.]

AN ACT CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MANSFIELD STATE TRAINING SCHOOL AND HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the Mansfield State Training School and Hospital: For purchase of Spring Manor Farm, thirty thousand dollars; for sewer system, twenty-five thousand dollars; for grounds, roads, grading and repairs, ten thousand dollars.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 660.]

[417.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MANCHESTER TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Manchester is authorized to issue serial bonds to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, for the purpose of constructing a town hall and highways and for making other public improvements. Said town, at a town meeting warned and held for such purpose, is authorized to determine the purposes and amounts for which such bonds shall be issued, their form and denomination, the rate of interest they shall bear and the manner in which they shall be executed, negotiated, sold and delivered.

SEC. 2. The question of the issuance of such bonds shall be submitted to the registered voters of said town, at a regular or special election, at which each voter in favor thereof shall vote "Yes" and each voter opposed thereto shall vote "No;" and no such bonds shall be issued unless a majority of the registered voters voting on such question shall vote in favor of such issue.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the town,

shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of the bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said town.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 467.]

[418.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATE NORMAL
SCHOOL FOR BUILDING PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the state board of education, for the purpose of installing a power and heating plant and erecting an administration building for the state normal school at New Britain, upon the site purchased under the provisions of an act making an appropriation for such purpose, approved May 14, 1919. The comptroller shall draw his order on the treasurer, from time to time, in favor of said board, for such sums as it shall require for such purposes, and said board shall, at least once in three months, file vouchers with the comptroller for all moneys expended under the provisions of this act; provided the city of New Britain shall purchase, or agree to purchase, by a committee of three persons, one to be appointed by said city, one by the state board of education and one by the two members so chosen, at the appraised value to be determined by such committee, the buildings and site of the present state normal school at New Britain.

Approved, June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 665.]

[419.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE NORWICH
STATE HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the Norwich State Hospital: For building porches and repairing wards, twenty thousand dollars; for root cellar, fifteen thousand dollars; for steam and electric lines, seven thousand dollars; for improvement of grounds, three thousand dollars; for purchase of boiler, five thousand dollars.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 661.]

[420.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATE FARM
FOR WOMEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the State Farm for Women: For roads and water, fifteen thousand dollars; for equipment of new receiving building and for connecting electric current with new buildings, including pole, line, wire, transformers and switches, seven thousand dollars.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 450.]

[421.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD.

[NOTE. The above entitled act not having received the Governor's signature failed to become a special law.]

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 486.]

[422.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AMERICAN
SCHOOL AT HARTFORD FOR THE DEAF.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars is appropriated for The American School at Hartford for the Deaf to complete the erection, furnishing and equipment of its buildings now being erected at its plant in West Hartford, including grading and improvements of its grounds.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1012.]

[423.]

AN ACT GRANTING THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON CERTAIN POWERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The town of Newington at any electors' meeting warned and held for that purpose is authorized to: Change the hours in which the polls shall be opened at town elections; change the fiscal year of any department thereof; change the compensation of its officers; create or abolish any appointive office, department or commission; change the length of the term and define the duties of any appointive office; contract with any municipality or subdivision thereof for the furnishing of water or police or fire protection; regulate the construction of buildings; provide for entertainments or concerts; make appropriations for celebrations; establish playgrounds or public gardens; make and sell ice; improve water fronts; adopt city plans; pension or give awards to employees; create a sinking fund or other special fund; provide for the employment of visiting nurses; accept any bequest or devise; establish free legal aid bureaus; provide for temporary borrowing of money; provide for new voting districts or wards, or abolish voting districts or wards or re-arrange the boundary lines thereof, provided no enactment concerning such districts shall be submitted to the electors within sixty days prior to any election therein, and provided such enactment shall specify the boundaries of such district or ward; provide for the levying, assessing and collecting of taxes and for the borrowing of money; and shall have and exercise any and all other powers conferred upon towns under the provisions of the general statutes.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 4.]

[424.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE BOARD OF
EDUCATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE AVERAGE ATTEND-
ANCE GRANT FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD ENDING
JUNE 30, 1921.

[NOTE. The above entitled act not having received the Governor's signature failed to become a special law.]

[House Bill No. 1018.]

[425.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE SHORE LINE TRACTION COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. A. William Sperry, Samuel C. Morehouse, Ralph H. Clark, Paul Webb and their successors and assigns, and such other persons as may be associated with them, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, to be located in the town of New Haven, by the name of The Shore Line Traction Company.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire all the street railway property, both real and personal, including the track, right of way, overhead equipment and rolling stock, also all the street railway rights, privileges and franchises with the necessary transmission line franchises owned by The Shore Line Electric Railway Company west of the Connecticut river, from the receiver of that company, and the superior court for New London county, in the receivership proceedings therein pending against The Shore Line Electric Railway Company is authorized to order the sale and transfer of all of its street railway franchises and property, or such portion thereof as said court may deem advisable, to The Shore Line Traction Company, and to receive payment therefor in cash or in bonds or securities of The Shore Line Traction Company.

SEC. 3. The Shore Line Traction Company, when it has so purchased or acquired the street railway franchises, property and transmission lines of The Shore Line Electric Railway Company west of the Connecticut river or such of them as may be sold to it by said receiver of said company or otherwise, is authorized to operate said lines of street railway and to enjoy all such property, rights, powers, privileges and franchises so purchased or acquired, to the same extent and in the same manner as if they had been originally granted to The Shore Line Traction Company, including the right to operate the various lines of street railway west of the Connecticut river mentioned in the charter of The Shore Line Electric Railway Company and in the various amendments thereof. The Shore Line Traction Company is further authorized in the towns in or through which it may run other than the town of New Haven to make such extensions of its lines to factories and other places through the highways of such towns or partly through the highways and on private rights of way, as may be authorized by the public utilities commission after public hearing thereon. The Shore Line Traction Company shall also have the right to construct stations, freight houses and transmission lines along its lines of railway for the transmission of electricity to operate said road, and the company may take for any or all of its railway purposes such real estate as may be necessary and may condemn

land when necessary in the manner provided in the general statutes relating to the taking of land by railway companies operated by steam.

SEC. 4. Said company is authorized to use electricity or any other power, subject to the approval of the public utilities commission, as a motive power upon said railway, and may erect, maintain and use all necessary, proper and lawful appliances for the purpose of operating said railway and for the proper distribution and application of power used by it for that purpose.

SEC. 5. The Shore Line Traction Company is hereby authorized to transport freight or passengers or both, also mail and express, over its said railway and to charge such reasonable rates therefor as may be fixed and determined by its board of directors.

SEC. 6. The capital stock of said company shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase the same from time to time to any amount not exceeding one million dollars, which shares shall be personal property and shall be transferable only on the books of said company in such manner as the by-laws shall prescribe, and the capital stock of said company may be divided into preferred and common shares in such proportions and amounts, or all common shares, as said company may determine.

SEC. 7. The persons named in the first paragraph hereof, or a majority of them, may receive subscriptions to the capital stock of this corporation, at such time and place and in such manner as they may determine; and also may call the first meeting of the stockholders of said corporation in such manner and upon such notice as they may determine, for the purpose of accepting this charter, the organization of the corporation, the choice of directors and the transaction of any other business.

SEC. 8. Nothing in this act shall be construed to give any rights to transmit or sell electricity for either light, heat or power purposes not already granted to said Shore Line Electric Railway Company.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 650.]

[426.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FIRST SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
HARTFORD TO ISSUE BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The first school district of the town of Hartford is authorized to issue bonds, in addition to the bonds issued at the time of the passage of this act, to an amount not exceeding the sum of four hundred thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not greater than five and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. The principal of said bonds shall be paid and the bonds cancelled in annual

series beginning five years after their date. The amount and time of payment of each series shall be determined by said district and the time of final payment of the last series of said bonds shall not be later than twenty years from the date thereof. The funds raised from the sale of such bonds shall be used and expended for the purpose of said district.

SEC. 2. Said district shall, at its first annual meeting, or at a meeting to be specially warned and held for such purpose, prescribe, subject to the foregoing limitations, the several and aggregate amounts of such bonds, the form, condition and reservations of the same, the rate of interest thereon, not exceeding the rate aforesaid, the time and place of paying such interest and principal and the time and manner in which such bonds may be called in and redeemed and interest thereon made to terminate and the person or persons who shall execute the same for or on behalf of said district. Such bonds, when executed, issued and delivered by said district, acting by its officer or officers, agent or agents, duly appointed by said district, shall be obligatory upon said district and upon the inhabitants thereof, according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 3. The amount of the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, with the amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, shall not exceed, exclusive of the amount of bonds issued for water supply and of notes or other evidences of indebtedness placed in the sinking fund, five per centum of the grand list of said district.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1045.]

[427.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MERIDEN
CREATING A BOARD OF BUILDING COMMISSIONERS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of an act amending the charter of the city of Meriden creating a board of building commissioners, approved April 13, 1921, is amended to read as follows: There shall be in the city of Meriden a board of building commissioners, all of whom shall be electors residing in said city. Said board shall consist of three members, who shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the court of common council and hold office for a term of three years. During the month of January, 1922, the mayor shall designate one member on said commission, who shall serve until the first Monday of January, 1923, one who shall serve until the first Monday of January, 1924, and one who shall serve until the first Monday of January, 1925, and during the month of January in each year thereafter, the mayor shall appoint one member of said commission who shall hold office for three years from and

after the first Monday of January, 1923, succeeding his or her appointment with the approval of the court of common council. No member of the court of common council, or member of any board of public works, police, fire or park board or board of apportionment and taxation shall be a building commissioner. In case of the death, resignation, removal or continual inability to serve of any member thereof, the mayor shall immediately fill the vacancy for the unexpired term with the approval of the court of common council.

SEC. 2. Section three of said act is hereby repealed.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 710.]

[428.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HAMDEN TO ISSUE
SEWER CONSTRUCTION BONDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The town of Hamden is authorized to issue serial bonds from time to time, to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, registered or with coupons attached, bearing interest at no greater rate than six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and such bonds shall mature at some time or times within thirty years from the date thereof.

SEC. 2. Said bonds, to be known as "Sewer Construction Bonds of the Town of Hamden," shall be issued at not less than par, and the avails thereof may be used for any appropriation for laying out, building, constructing, acquiring, maintaining, altering and repairing sewers, drains, disposal plants, pumping apparatus and all necessary appurtenances thereof, and for procuring rights of way, outlets and privileges thereof, made in accordance with the provisions of an act creating a department of finance in the town of Hamden, approved June 3, 1903, as amended by an act approved May 12, 1905, an act approved June 6, 1913, and an act approved April 20, 1921.

SEC. 3. Such bonds shall not be issued unless such issue be voted by a town meeting duly warned and held for that purpose, and such meeting shall, subject to the foregoing limitations, determine the denominations in which such bonds shall be issued, the annual rate of interest, the dates and times of issue and maturity of the same, the manner in which such bonds shall be issued, the person or persons by whom such bonds shall be signed and executed, negotiated, sold and delivered, on behalf of said town, and such bonds, when so executed, issued and delivered, shall be obligatory upon said town and upon the inhabitants thereof according to the tenor and purport of the same.

SEC. 4. No bonds shall be so issued under the provisions of this act as to permit the net bonded indebtedness of said town at any time to exceed five per centum of the grand list of said town as the same may be compiled for the year of such issue, provided, in computing the debt limitation, bonds issued or to be issued for the construction or maintenance of municipal water works or lighting plants shall not be included.

SEC. 5. This act shall not take effect until approved by a majority of voters voting thereon at the next annual meeting of said town or at a special meeting thereof, which meeting shall be warned and held for that purpose.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 373.]

[429.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RESCISSION OF THE CONTRACT
BETWEEN THE STATE AND THE CENTRAL CONNECTICUT
POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The contract between the state and the Central Connecticut Power and Light Company providing for furnishing power and light on the East Haddam bridge may be rescinded and the highway commissioner is authorized to make such rescission. Upon such rescission the state shall be relieved from all obligations or liability under the provisions of said contract and the highway commissioner is authorized to make provision for power and light for the operation of said bridge.

Approved, June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 712.]

[430.]

AN ACT CONCERNING UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF APPROPRIATIONS
MADE FOR THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT BY THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY AT ITS JANUARY SESSION, 1919.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Any unexpended balance of any appropriation made by the general assembly at its January session of 1919, for the military department, shall be available for the purposes of chapter 222 of the public acts of 1921, and the former officers of the military emergency board are authorized to transfer to the proper officers of the military department the unused funds of any such appropriation in their control.

Approved June 24, 1921

[Substitute for House Bill No. 986.]

[481.]

AN ACT CONCERNING A COMPILATION OF THE
LAWS RELATING TO EDUCATION

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The secretary of the state board of education is authorized to compile and cause to be printed for distribution six thousand copies of the laws relating to education, including such laws relating thereto as shall be passed at this session of the general assembly.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 702.]

[432.]

AN ACT REPEALING AN ACT CONCERNING THE REIMBURSEMENT IN PART BY THE STATE OF HIGH SCHOOL TUITION TO WESTVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF NEW HAVEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

An act concerning the reimbursement in part by the state of high school tuition to Westville school district in the town of New Haven, approved June 7, 1913, is repealed.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 509.]

[433.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE GUILFORD MUTUAL
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Guilford Mutual Fire Insurance Company, incorporated by a resolution approved April 21, 1903, is authorized and empowered to grant insurance against loss or damage to machinery by fire, whether the same shall happen by accident, lightning, or by any means, except that of fraud or design by the insured, or by the invasion of a public enemy or insurrection of the citizens of this state or of any of the United States.

SEC. 2. Said company is further authorized to grant insurance, subject to the exceptions specified in section one, to owners of automobiles, automobile trucks or motorcycles against any of the hazards of fire, transportation, collision and loss by legal liability for damage to property resulting from the maintenance or use thereof, and also against loss by burglary or theft thereof, or of any of their parts or equipment, or both, but not against loss by reason of bodily injury to the person.

SEC. 3. Section four of said resolution is amended to read as follows: The board of directors shall superintend the concerns of said company, and shall have the management of the funds or property thereof, and of all matters and things thereunto relating, not otherwise provided for by said company. They shall have power from time to time to appoint a secretary, a treasurer and such other officers, agents and assistants as to them may seem necessary, and prescribe their duties, fix their compensation, take such security from them as they may deem necessary for the faithful performance of their respective duties, and may remove them at pleasure. They shall determine the rates of insurance, the sum to be insured on any building and other property, not exceeding three-fourths of its value and the original premium for the insurance thereof. They shall order and direct the making and issuing of all policies of insurance and the providing of books, stationery and other things necessary for the office of said company and for carrying on the affairs thereof, and may draw upon the treasurer for the payment of all losses which may have happened, and for expenses incurred in transacting the business of said company. They shall elect one of their own number to act as president, and may hold their meetings monthly, and oftener if necessary, for transacting the business of the company, and shall keep a record of their proceedings, and any director disagreeing with a majority of the board at any meeting may enter on the record his dissent with his reasons therefor.

SEC. 4. Section five of said resolution is amended to read as follows: Said company shall have power to frame the policies which it shall hereafter issue to provide for a lien upon the buildings and other property insured thereby together with the land on which any such building may stand to the same extent as provided by the premium notes heretofore required by the provisions of its charter without requiring from any assured any such premium note or evidence of debt or liability other than the policy itself.

SEC. 5. Section six of said resolution is amended to read as follows: Every member of said company shall be and hereby is bound and obligated to pay his proportion of all losses and expenses happening or accruing to said company; and all buildings and other property insured by and with said company, together with the right, title and interest of the assured to the lands on which any such building may stand, shall be pledged to said company; and the said company shall have a lien

thereon against the assured during the continuance of his, her or their policies.

SEC. 6. Section seven of said resolution is amended to read as follows: In case of any loss or damage happening to any member, upon property insured in and with said company, the said member shall give notice thereof, in writing to the directors, or some one of them, or to the secretary of said company, within thirty days from the time such loss or damage may have happened; and the directors, upon a view of the same, or in such other way as they may deem proper, shall ascertain and determine the amount of said loss or damage, and if the party suffering is not satisfied with the determination of the directors, the question may be submitted to referees, in accordance with the terms in the standard fire insurance policy of the state of Connecticut.

SEC. 7. Section eight of said resolution is amended to read as follows: The directors shall, after receiving notice of any loss or damage sustained by any member, and ascertaining the same, or after the rendition of any judgment as aforesaid against the said company for loss or damage, settle and determine the sums to be paid by the several members thereof, as their respective proportions of such loss, and publish the same in such manner as they shall see fit, or as the by-laws shall have prescribed; and the sum to be paid by each member shall always be in proportion to the original amount of his premium, and shall be paid to the treasurer within thirty days next after the publication of said notice. And if any member shall, for the space of thirty days after such notice, neglect or refuse to pay the sum so assessed, the directors may sue for and recover the amount with costs; and the money thus collected shall remain in the treasury of the company, subject to the payment of such losses; and the balance, if any, shall be returned to the party from which it was collected, on demand, after thirty days from the expiration of the term for which insurance was made.

SEC. 8. Section nine of said resolution is amended to read as follows: If it shall so happen that any loss or damage be greater than the amount available for the payment thereof, together with the other obligations of said company, all members shall be liable therefor and the sum to be paid by each member shall be in proportion to the original amount of his premium of insurance.

SEC. 9. Section ten of said resolution is amended to read as follows: The said company may make insurance for any term not exceeding five years; and any policy of insurance issued by said company, signed by the president and countersigned by the secretary, shall be deemed valid and binding on said company in all cases where the assured has an unencumbered title in fee simple to the building or buildings insured and to the land covered by the same or, in case of personal property, if the same shall not be subject to chattel mortgage, held under conditional sale contract or otherwise encumbered; but if the assured have a less estate in said building or buildings and to the land covered by the same, or if the

premises be encumbered, or, in case of personal property, if any encumbrance exist thereon, the policy shall be void, unless the true title of the assured and the encumbrance on the premises or property be expressed therein.

SEC. 10. Section twelve of said resolution is amended to read as follows: When any building, or other property, shall be alienated by sale or otherwise the policy shall thereupon be void, and be surrendered to the directors of said company to be cancelled; and upon such surrender the assured shall be entitled to receive that proportion of his premium for the unexpired term of his policy, and shall be released from all further obligation, provided, however, that he shall pay his proportion of all losses and expenses that have accrued prior to such surrender; and provided also, however, that the grantee or alienee having the policy assigned to him may have the same ratified and confirmed to him for his own proper use and benefit upon the application to the directors and with their consent, within thirty days after such alienation; and on such ratification and confirmation the party causing the same shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities under which the original parties insured were entitled and subject under this resolution.

SEC. 11. Section fourteen of said resolution is amended to read as follows: In case any building or buildings, situated upon leased lands insured by said company, be destroyed by fire, or if the loss on any other property shall be a total loss, and the owner or owners thereof shall prefer to receive the amount of such loss in money, in such case the directors may retain the amount of the premium given in the insurance thereof until the time for which the insurance was made shall have expired; and at the expiration thereof, the assured shall have the right to demand and receive such part of such retained sum or sums as have not been expended in losses, assessments and other expenses.

SEC. 12. Section fifteen of said resolution is amended to read as follows: If insurance upon any house, houses or any other buildings or other property shall be and exist in said company and at or in any other office, or from any other person or persons at the same time or during any period of time when insurance subsists in the said The Guilford Mutual Fire Insurance Company, the said insurance made and effected in the last mentioned company shall be deemed and become void, unless such double insurance subsists with the consent of the directors indorsed on the policy.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 187.]

[434.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SCOTT-FANTON MUSEUM
CORPORATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. John R. Booth, Harrie T. Hoyt, G. Fred Lyon, Philip N. Sunderland, Mary E. Fanton and Ernest A. Stuckey, all of Danbury, and such others as may be associated with them under the provisions of this act, and their successors, elected in the manner hereinafter specified, are constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of The Scott-Fanton Museum Corporation, and by that name may purchase, receive, hold and convey any estate, real or personal, may have a common seal and alter the same, and may appoint such officers, agents, assistants and servants as it may deem advisable, and may define other powers and duties and determine their term of office and employment.

SEC. 2. The general object of said corporation shall be to establish in the town of Danbury a free public museum and center for the benefit of the public in educational, scientific, historical and cultural duties, to encourage public appreciation in art, science, history, music and other public activities, and in particular, but without limiting the foregoing, to carry out the terms and provisions of the will of Laura B. Fanton, late of said Danbury, deceased, relating to The Scott-Fanton Museum, which will has been duly admitted to probate in the probate court for the district of Danbury, and to receive, hold, manage and invest, under the terms of said will, real and personal estate therein devised and bequeathed in trust, for the purpose of maintaining a free public museum to be known as The Scott-Fanton Museum. Said corporation is further authorized to acquire and receive, manage and control any other property, real or personal, that may be transferred to it for the aforesaid purposes of said corporation, and apply the same for such purposes as are hereinafter directed.

SEC. 3. The entire and absolute management and control of said museum and center shall be vested in a board of trustees to consist of not more than nine persons, to be elected as follows: Six of the incorporators named in section one, who shall accept office, shall constitute the first board of trustees and shall at their next meeting, by vote, elect three others to act with them. Upon the death or resignation of any of said trustees, any vacancy so created shall be filled by the remaining trustees, and the whole number of trustees shall not at any time exceed nine. Each trustee shall be a resident of the state of Connecticut, and during his or her term of office shall be ex-officio a member of said corporation.

SEC. 4. Said corporation is empowered to establish from time to time, by-laws for the regulation of its affairs, and its board of trustees may establish, change and modify the rules, regulations, terms and conditions for the management and use of said museum, and of all buildings and property which may be owned by said corporation.

SEC. 5. The aforesaid purposes and objects of said corporation are declared to be benevolent and educational and to constitute a public use.

SEC. 6. The first meeting of said corporation shall be held on call of any three of the incorporators named herein by written notice signed by them, stating the time and place of the meeting, addressed to each of the incorporators, either left at their usual place of abode, or deposited in the postoffice in Danbury, at least five days before the date of said meeting.

SEC. 7. The time of holding the annual meeting of the corporation and of the board of trustees, and such other meetings of the corporation and board of trustees as may be necessary to be held from time to time, may be provided for in the by-laws adopted by said corporation. Five members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the corporation, and said majority of the board as then constituted shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the election of trustees.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1034.]

[435.]

**AN ACT CREATING A COMMISSION TO CONSIDER AND REPORT ON THE
IMPROVEMENT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF STATE
DEPARTMENTS, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. The governor is authorized to appoint a commission consisting of five members to investigate the organization of the administrative departments of the state and of state commissions and boards and report its conclusions and recommendations to the next general assembly. The members of said commission shall serve without compensation but the comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of the chairman of said commission in payment of its reasonable expenses not in excess of five thousand dollars after the same have been approved by the board of control.

SEC. 2. The sum of five thousand dollars is appropriated to carry out the provisions of this act.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1033.]

[436.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE WESTVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The Westville school district in the city of New Haven is authorized to issue serial bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred and sixty thousand dollars for the purpose of erecting a high school building, the first installment of such bonds to mature within three years from the date of issue and the remainder of the principal to be payable at some certain time or times, not later than thirty years from the date thereof.

SEC. 2. Such bonds shall be signed by the treasurer and clerk of said district and shall bear interest payable semi-annually, at such rate not exceeding five and one-half per centum per annum, approved by the board of finance of the city of New Haven, as may be fixed by the board of education or a duly appointed committee thereof upon the sale of such bonds.

SEC. 3. No bonds shall be so issued, under the provisions of this act, as to permit the net bonded indebtedness of said district at any time to exceed five per centum of the grand list of said district, as the same may be compiled for the year of such issue.

SEC. 4. In the event of a favorable vote, as hereinafter provided, the board of education of the Westville school district, in conference with and approval of the board of education of the New Haven city school district, may make contracts for the erection of a high school building upon the site now owned by said Westville school district for that purpose, which contracts shall be carried into effect by the joint boards until the abolition of the Westville school district, and thereafter by the New Haven city school district. All debts and obligations of the Westville school district shall likewise be a charge upon and assumed by said city.

SEC. 5. In the event of a favorable vote, as hereinafter provided, the Westville school district shall be abolished and its affairs wound up and its property and assets turned over to the New Haven city school district at the close of the present fiscal year of the Westville school district excepting such property and assets as are not connected with schools or educational purposes which shall be turned over to the city department or departments, respectively, having charge of similar property and assets. The territory covered by said Westville school district shall thereafter be a part of New Haven city school district and all taxes due and unpaid to said Westville city school district shall be collected as provided by law for the use and benefit of said New Haven city school district.

SEC. 6. A special meeting of the Westville school district and of the voters of the thirteenth ward of said city, as heretofore constituted, the same being now known and designated as the twenty-ninth and thirtieth wards, shall be held on June 21, 1921, to decide whether the territory within said limits shall be brought within and under the full jurisdiction of said city as provided by section twenty-one of an act to consolidate the governments of the city and town of New Haven, approved June 2, 1897; and if, on said day, a majority of the votes cast shall be in the affirmative, the board of education of the Westville school district shall make a certificate to that effect and file the same in the office of the secretary of the state and a duly certified copy thereof in the office of the town clerk of the town of New Haven, who shall record the same, and thereafter said ward and district shall be and remain under the jurisdiction of said city and the persons and property within said ward and district shall be entitled to secure from said city the same benefits and be subject to the same obligations as persons and property within the original twelve wards.

SEC. 7. The board of education of the Westville school district shall give warning of such special meeting of said voters and in said warning shall give notice that the question of approving such jurisdiction shall be voted upon. Those electors and voters who favor such approval shall give in their votes under the title "Consolidation—Yes" and those who are opposed shall give in their votes under the title "Consolidation—No." If a majority of votes cast be in favor of approval, this act shall thereupon be in effect, but if the vote be a tie or the majority be cast not in favor of approval, this act shall be void and of no effect.

SEC. 8. The special meeting hereinbefore provided shall be conducted and the expenses thereof paid in accordance with the provisions of the statutes governing the conduct of school district meetings and the revised registry list of the thirteenth ward last completed shall be the legal registry list for such meeting.

Approved June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 632.]

[437.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A COMMISSION
TO PURCHASE AN ADDITION TO THE GROUNDS OF
THE STATE CAPITOL AND FOR THE PURCHASE
OF SUCH ADDITIONAL LANDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The governor shall appoint a commission, consisting of the comptroller and two other persons, to purchase, as an addition to

the grounds of the state capitol, all that tract of land situated in the city of Hartford, located at the southeast corner of Washington street and Capitol avenue, and more particularly described as follows: Bounded north by Capitol avenue about two hundred forty-one feet; west by Washington street about one hundred sixty-five feet; south in part by land now or formerly of Thomas Flynn and in part by land now or formerly of Margaret J. Smith two hundred twenty-five feet and five inches more or less; east by land now or formerly of Rosella V. Bacon about one hundred seventy feet; and to remodel for state offices one or more of the buildings standing on said land. Said tract includes the premises known as numbers 167, 171, 175 and 181 Capitol avenue and 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 20 Washington street. Said commission shall certify to the board of control the amount to be paid to the owners of such real estate and such amount shall be paid to such owners by said board. No member of the commission shall receive any compensation for his services. If said commission shall be unable to agree with the owners of such properties as are required for this purpose it is authorized through the attorney-general to condemn the same in the name and on behalf of the state of Connecticut, and in the event that the attorney-general shall find it necessary to institute proceedings in the name of the state to condemn such lands, including the fee, he shall proceed as provided in section 5186 of the general statutes.

SEC. 2. The sum of three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to carry out the provisions of this act.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 298.]

[438.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR TRUNK LINE
AND FEDERAL AID ROADS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of one million nine hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the construction of extensions to the trunk line highway system of the state and for co-operating with the federal government in the construction of federal aid roads.

Approved June 14, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 709.]

[439.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CONNECTICUT
AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the Connecticut agricultural college: For current expenses, one hundred thousand dollars; for extension work, thirty-five thousand dollars.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 202.]

[440.]

AN ACT CONCERNING CLAIM OF A. D. AMBROSIO.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is hereby directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of A. D. Ambrosio for one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four dollars and eighty-two cents for laying complete six inch pipe line from The Mansfield State Training School and Hospital to the brook at the cemetery, and from that point to the Connecticut agricultural college, as is more fully set forth in a contract between A. D. Ambrosio and the state of Connecticut, acting by its special commission, to provide water supply for The Mansfield State Training School and Hospital and the Connecticut agricultural college, bearing date the nineteenth day of September, 1919.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 679.]

[441.]

AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT OF CLAIM OF JOHN P.
MAGUIRE OF NEW BRITAIN.

(Note—The above entitled act not having received the Governor's signature failed to become a special law.)

[House Bill No. 1086.]

[442.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF
DEFERRED CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of eight thousand five hundred sixty-three and thirty-nine one-hundredths dollars is appropriated for the payment of deferred claims against the state accrued prior to July 1, 1919, but not presented until after the appropriation therefor had lapsed.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1041.]

[443.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SALARY OF
A STATE REFEREE TO THE WIDOW OF
JUSTICE CASE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is authorized and directed to draw his order on the treasurer in favor of Elizabeth N. Case, widow of William Scoville Case, formerly associate justice of the supreme court of errors, during her widowhood, for the amount of the salary which would have been paid to said Justice Case as a state referee.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 722.]

[444.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE EXPENSES OF
THE CONNECTICUT PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE
FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1923.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of three thousand dollars is appropriated for the state board of education, for the expenses of the Connecticut public library, committee, for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 297.]

[445.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXTENSIONS TO
THE SYSTEM OF STATE AID HIGHWAYS.

(Note:—The above entitled act not having received the Governor's signature, failed to become a special law.)

[Senate Bill No. 357.]

[446.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ROCK RIDGE ASSOCIATION
INCORPORATED.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The expenses incident to the carrying out of the objects of the corporation known as The Rock Ridge Association, Incorporated, and for the conduct of its business shall be paid by the members of said corporation, each member paying such part of the whole expenses as the value of the real estate owned by him now or formerly belonging to Nathaniel Witherell at said Rock Ridge shall bear to the value of all the real estate of the members of said corporation now or formerly belonging to said Nathaniel Witherell at said Rock Ridge; such value shall be determined by the assessed value in the grand list of said town of Greenwich last completed before such cost and expense shall be assessed against the members of said corporation. The amount to be paid by each member shall be assessed by said corporation or by the directors of said corporation as is more fully provided by the by-laws of said corporation by virtue of a delegation of authority by such corporation. When the husband of a married woman is a member of said corporation by virtue of a delegation of authority of such married woman to him, as is provided in the certificate of incorporation of said The Rock Ridge Association, Incorporated, such married woman shall pay her proportionate part of such expenses in the same manner as if she had not so delegated her authority, and for purposes of assessment she shall be treated as a member of said corporation.

SEC. 2. Assessments made under the provisions of section one of this act shall be a lien upon the land of the person against which they are respectively made until paid; provided such lien shall not continue for a period longer than one year after the making of any such assessment unless within said period a certificate signed by the treasurer of said corporation, describing the premises on which such lien exists, the amount of the assessment and the time when it became due, shall be

lodged with the town clerk of the town of Greenwich. Any lien so continued shall, when the assessment has been paid, be discharged by a certificate signed by the treasurer. Such liens shall be enforced in the manner, and subject to the limitations, provided by statute for the enforcement of liens for town taxes.

SEC. 3. At the meetings of said corporation the owner or the owners of land of the value of one thousand dollars or less shall have one vote, and the owner or owners of land shall have an additional vote for each one thousand dollars worth of land above the value of one thousand dollars. The worth and value of said land for the purpose of determining the number of votes shall be fixed by the assessed value in the last grand list of said town of Greenwich next prior to the time of such voting. For the ownership of land of the value of more than one thousand dollars, no person or persons shall be entitled to a vote or part of a vote for any fractional part of said value of one thousand dollars. When real estate is owned by two or more persons who do not agree upon the manner of voting at said meeting, such vote or votes as may be cast for said real estate shall be divided among and cast by the several owners thereof in proportion to their ownership in such real estate.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1044.]

[447.]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE WATERTOWN
FIRE DISTRICT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The act incorporating the Watertown Fire District approved May 22, 1913, as amended by act approved March 28, 1917, is amended by adding thereto the following: "Sec. 28. Upon the petition of a majority of the legal voters residing within the limits contiguous to said district, praying to be admitted as a part of such district, the committee of said district shall call a special meeting of said district, and said district may, by a majority of the legal voters present and voting at such meeting, admit the territory described in said petition to be a part of said district; provided said district meeting in voting to admit such additional territory to the boundaries of the district may require, as a condition precedent to such admission, the payment into the treasury of said district of an amount equal to such proportionate part of the value of the total assets of said district, except those assets which may have been acquired by special assessment, as shall be determined by the ratio of the assessed valuation of all property in the territory to

be admitted to the assessed valuation of all property in the district. When such condition is imposed by a vote of a district meeting, the petitioners for admission to the district, or any three of them, shall thereupon call a meeting of all residents of the territory proposed to be admitted, specifying therein the objects of said meeting, and shall give at least five days' notice of the time and place of holding said meeting by publication in a newspaper having a circulation in said territory, and said meeting may by a majority of the legal voters present and voting thereat accept or reject such condition, and, upon certification by the chairman of said meeting, attested by the clerk thereof, that the meeting was duly warned and held, and that it was voted to accept such condition, being filed with the committee of said district, the territory proposed to be admitted to said district shall be included within the limits thereof, and the district committee shall have power to assess upon and collect from the owners of property within said newly admitted territory their several proportionate shares of the amount to be paid into the district treasury as the same may be determined by the assessed valuation of their several properties. Whenever, under the provisions hereof, it shall be deemed for the best interests of said district to reduce the territorial size of the same, any ten voters of said district may petition for a change in the limits of said district for the purpose of reducing the size of the same, specifying the limits of the proposed changes to the committee of said district, and thereupon said committee shall, within five days thereafter, call a special meeting of said fire district, specifying therein the objects of said meeting, and shall give notice of the time and place of holding said meeting as required by law for the holding of other meetings of said district, and the voters of said district, by a majority vote, may change the limits of said district for the purpose of decreasing the size of the same, specifying the new limits of said district; and, thereafter, said districts shall be established in accordance with said new limits thus adopted.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 708.]

[448.]

**AN ACT RATIFYING THE ORGANIZATION AND DEFINING THE
POWERS OF THE INDUSTRIAL REALTY, TITLE
AND GUARANTY COMPANY.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. The organization of The Industrial Realty, Title and Guaranty Company under the general law relating to the formation of

corporations, April 19, 1920, is ratified and confirmed and the name of said corporation is approved.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have power to acquire, purchase, own, hold, receive in trust, build upon and improve all kinds of property, real, personal and mixed, to make any contract in relation thereto and to grant, sell, mortgage, bond, lease and otherwise dispose of the same; to loan or borrow money on real or personal estate, and to make and give as evidence thereof, notes, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness to be secured by mortgage or otherwise; to engage in the business of a real estate and insurance agency; to contract, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended, and appear in and prosecute to final judgment suits, actions or proceedings at law or in equity, in all courts and places; to take, buy, sell or pledge and to negotiate the sale or pledge of all kinds of securities, including notes or bonds secured by mortgage on real estate in this state and the mortgages or deeds given to secure the same; to borrow, lend or advance money on real or personal security; to act as guardian, conservator, administrator, executor, trustee, receiver or assignee, or as the financial or other agent for any person, firm, association, corporation, municipality or state, and to negotiate the sale of securities of any such person, firm, association, municipality or state and to loan money at any rate of interest allowed by law.

SEC. 3. Said corporation may take or hold any real or personal estate, in trust or otherwise, as security for or in payment of loans or debts, due or to become due to said corporation or any other party; may purchase real estate or other property at any sale made by virtue of any loan, debt or mortgage made to or held by said corporation or any other party; may receive and take in satisfaction of any such debt or loan any real estate or other property and own, hold, improve, lease and convey the same.

SEC. 4. Said corporation may increase its capital stock from time to time, by vote of said corporation, to any number of shares not exceeding, in the aggregate, two thousand. Each subscriber to said capital stock shall pay at the time of subscribing therefor an installment of fifty dollars on each share of stock by him subscribed, and the remaining fifty dollars per share shall be paid in within one year from the date of the subscription, at such time and in such installments as the directors shall determine.

SEC. 5. When said corporation shall have increased its capital stock to fifty thousand dollars and shall have an unimpaired capital of that amount, fully paid in, it shall have power to guarantee the sufficiency of land titles so as to obligate itself to make good the loss sustained by reason of the insufficiency of any such land titles.

SEC. 6. When said corporation shall have increased its capital stock to at least one hundred thousand dollars, and shall have that amount of capital fully paid in and unimpaired, it may insure the

safety of plate glass and issue policies of insurance indemnifying the owners of such glass against loss by accident, casualty or breakage from any cause, and it may also issue its obligations, guaranteeing the fidelity and integrity of any person holding any position of trust and confidence, so as to obligate itself to make good any loss sustained by reason of the infidelity or dishonesty of any person holding any such position, and it shall also have the power to receive compensation, at any rate allowed by law, for any service which it is by this act authorized to render. The laws pertaining to reserve requirements of insurance companies shall apply to insurance sold or issued under the provisions of this act.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 721.]

(449.)

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY
OF STAMFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The common council shall have authority to create such new offices in the police or fire department of said city as said council may deem advisable and may add to or decrease the number of men in any branch of said department, provided that all new appointments shall be made in the manner now provided in the city charter; that no call men shall hereafter be added to the fire department and that no member of the police or fire department shall be removed therefrom except in the manner now provided in said charter.

SEC. 2. Section one hundred ninety-nine of the said charter is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "After the date when this act takes effect, the two call men now remaining in said fire department shall be given the first two chances, arising through vacancies or the appointment of additional men to become permanent firemen. They shall be notified and given an opportunity to file applications, and to qualify for appointment as permanent firemen. In case either of said call men fail to file said application or to qualify for the position of permanent fireman after having been given an opportunity, he shall thereafter no longer be eligible to appointment as permanent fireman."

SEC. 3. On and after January 1, 1922, the city of Stamford shall pay annually into the firemen's relief fund, described in section two hundred and four of said charter and also into the police benefit fund described in section one hundred and eighty-four of said charter, sums of money sufficient to keep said funds at the same amount that they are

on said January 1, 1922; that is, the amount paid into said funds by said city shall be sufficient to keep each of said funds from falling below the sum contained therein on January 1, 1922. The board of finance shall annually appropriate a sufficient sum of money for said funds to keep said funds from depletion as aforesaid.

SEC. 4. When any vacancy shall occur in any appointive office of said city, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment in the manner prescribed for appointment to that office upon the expiration of a term of office therein.

SEC. 5. When any member of the police department who is on or eligible to the retired list, by reason of the provisions in section one hundred and ninety of said charter, or any member of the fire department who is on or eligible to the retired list by reason of the provisions of section two hundred and ten of said charter, shall die while on or eligible to said retired list, as aforesaid, the board of trustees of the police benefit fund, if such case arises in the police department, and the board of trustees of the firemen's relief fund, if such case arises in the fire department, shall direct an allowance out of said fund equal to one-half of the salary of such deceased policeman or fireman to be paid to the widow or dependents of such deceased policeman or fireman, as the case may be.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1057.]

[450.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR
EXPENSES OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL
PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1923.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

That portion of an act making appropriations for expenses of the state for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923, concerning the salaries of justices and judges which relates to the judges of the court of common pleas of Hartford, New Haven and Fairfield counties, civil and criminal side, is amended to read as follows:

Salary of judge common pleas court, Hartford county, twelve thousand dollars	12,000
Salary of judge common pleas court, New Haven county, civil side, twelve thousand dollars	12,000
Salary of Judge court of common pleas, New Haven county, criminal side, twelve thousand dollars	12,000
Salary of judge common pleas court, Fairfield county, civil side, twelve thousand dollars	12,000

Salary of judge common pleas court, Fairfield county, criminal side, twelve thousand dollars	12,000
concerning state's attorney and assistant state's attorney of New Haven and Hartford counties,	
Salary of state's attorney, New Haven county, eleven thousand dollars	11,000
Salary of the assistant to the state's attorney at New Haven, New Haven county, eight thousand dollars	8,000
Salary of assistant state's attorney, Hartford county, five thousand dollars	5,000
concerning clerks of superior courts of Hartford and Tolland counties,	
Salary of clerks of superior court, Hartford county, twenty thousand dollars	20,000
Salary of clerk of superior court, Tolland county, seven thousand dollars	7,000
concerning commissioner on domestic animals,	
Salary of commissioner, seven thousand dollars	7,000
concerning state pensions,	
State pensions, forty thousand dollars	40,000
Approved June 24, 1921.	

[Substitute for House Bill No. 293.]

[451.]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF THE STATE
IN A CELEBRATION IN COMMEMORATION OF THE
THREE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
LANDING OF THE PILGRIMS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. A commission consisting of the governor and lieutenant-governor, ex officio, and eleven other members to be appointed by the governor, is raised for the purpose of representing this state and making appropriate arrangements for the participation by the state in a celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the pilgrims at Plymouth Rock. Said commission shall serve without compensation, but their necessary expenses shall be paid by the state and it may employ such stenographic and clerical assistance as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this act.

SEC. 2. The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the use of said commission, and all expenditures incurred under the authority of the provisions of this act shall be approved by the board of control.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 441.]

[452]

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY
OF BRIDGEPORT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of an act amending the charter of the city of Bridgeport, approved March 27, 1917, is amended to read as follows: There shall be a board of police commissioners, of fire commissioners, of sinking fund commissioners, of health commissioners, of charities and of relief, each of which shall consist of four members, but of the members of the board of health commissioners not less than one nor more than two shall be physicians in good standing. The mayor, in December of each year, shall appoint as members of each of said boards respectively two eligible persons, one from each of the two political parties having the larger number of aldermen in the common council, and in such manner that no such political party shall have more than two members of said respective boards, and such persons shall be members of said respective boards for the term of two years from the first day of January next succeeding. The common council may, by a two-thirds vote, remove any member of said boards for cause. The mayor shall, ex-officio, be a member of each of said boards, but shall have no vote in any of their proceedings except in case of a tie vote. He may preside at all meetings of said boards at which he may be present. At all meetings of said boards three members, exclusive of the mayor, shall constitute a quorum and the concurrent vote of three members shall be necessary for the transaction of business. There shall be a board of assessors of three members. At the annual town and city meeting to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November, 1921, there shall be elected one member of the board of assessors for a term of one year, one member for a term of two years and one member for a term of three years; and annually thereafter, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November, one member of said board shall be elected for a term of three years. Said board of assessors shall elect a chairman from among the elected members. Two members shall constitute a quorum and the concurrent vote of two members shall be necessary for the transaction of business. The board of assessors shall have all the powers and duties heretofore exercised by the tax commissioner of said city. The members of said board of assessors shall each receive a salary of thirty-five hundred dollars annually payable in equal monthly installments. The board of assessors shall have authority to appoint one clerk whose salary shall be twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, and a clerk of block maps whose salary shall be two thousand dollars per annum; and such clerks shall hold

office during the pleasure of said board of assessors. The common council may provide such other clerical assistance as may be required by said board of assessors. Upon the election of said board of assessors on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November, 1921, and the qualification of the members thereof, there shall no longer be a tax commissioner and deputy tax commissioner, within and for the city of Bridgeport, and the terms of all assessors and of all clerks and appointees of said assessors and said tax commissioner and deputy tax commissioner shall expire. It shall be the duty of the town clerk to file with said board of assessors daily a complete abstract of all deeds and conveyances of land left in the town clerk's office for record on the preceding day.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 185.]

[453.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE BALD HEAD CLUB OF AMERICA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Walter W. Norton of Salisbury, William A. Warner of New Haven, Philip Troup of New Haven, James F. Walsh of Greenwich, John Rodemeyer of Greenwich, Leonard J. Nickerson of Cornwall, John N. Brooks of Torrington, Frederick M. Drew of Ansonia, John H. Trumbull of Plainville, Edward F. Hall of New Britain, William H. Hall of South Willington, Nehemiah Candee of Norwalk, Howard S. Challenger of Bridgeport, Eugene P. Golden of Meriden, M. W. Potter of Deep River, Archibald Macdonald of Putnam, Alexander L. DeLaney of Bridgeport, James Graham of Lisbon, Charles A. Templeton of Waterbury, W. Arthur Countryman, Jr., of Hartford, Rev. Sherrod Soule of Hartford, Joseph Mullen of Hartford, Richard B. Eno of Simsbury and Elmore S. Banks of Fairfield, and all such persons as are now or may hereafter become associated with them, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Bald Head Club of America, and by that name shall have perpetual succession and all other powers granted to similar corporations under the general laws of the state of Connecticut.

SEC. 2. The objects and purposes of said corporation shall be to promote the health of its members and to encourage social intercourse among them.

SEC. 3. Said corporation shall have power to establish and grant charters to branches of the club under the name of The Bald Head Club of America, composed of members of the order in any town in the

state, in any other state of the United States or in any other country in America; and any such branch when so established shall be governed and managed by such laws, by-laws, rules and regulations as said corporation shall determine; and said corporation may enforce the same against any such branch in any court of the state, or of any other state in the United States.

SEC. 4. Said corporation shall have the power to purchase, receive, hold, mortgage and convey all kinds of property necessary or convenient for the purposes of said corporation, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of the state or the United States, or of any other state or country. It may elect and appoint necessary and proper officers and agents and shall have power to make and adopt a constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations for the government, suspension, expulsion and punishment of its members, for the election or appointment of its officers and prescribe their duties, and for the regulation of any and all other matters pertaining to the conduct of said organization; and may from time to time alter or amend the same and adopt any other lawful provisions. It shall also have power to suspend or revoke any charter granted by it, in accordance with any by-law adopted relative thereto. It shall also have power to lay and collect assessments and dues for the purpose of carrying out the purposes of the corporation as herein set forth.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1040.]

[454.]

AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOLS IN
THE TOWN OF CROMWELL FROM THE
SWEDISH ORPHAN HOME.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

An act concerning children attending schools in the town of Cromwell from the Swedish Orphan Home, approved June 18, 1903, is amended to read as follows: For each child between the ages of four and sixteen years attending the public schools in the town of Cromwell, as attested by the legally appointed enumerator of said town, from the Swedish Orphan Home situated in said town of Cromwell, the sum of twenty-five dollars shall be due and payable to said town from the state. Said sum shall be payable under the same conditions as provided in section 1030 of the general statutes.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1031.]

[455.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONSOLIDATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS
IN THE CITY OF HARTFORD.

(Note—The above entitled act not having received the Governor's signature, failed to become a special law.)

[House Bill No. 1043.]

[456.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF FITCH'S
HOME FOR SOLDIERS AND SOLDIERS' HOSPITAL
TO RELEASE CERTAIN LAND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The executive committees of Fitch's Home for Soldiers and Soldiers' hospital of the town of Darien are authorized and directed to release for highway purposes to the two of Darien a certain parcel of land bounded on the north by the arc of the curve a radius of three hundred eighteen and sixty-four one hundredths feet and about eighty-seven feet in length; on the east by the Stagg property, so called, about eleven feet and on the south by West avenue, Hawes avenue, so called, being the southeast corner of the premises.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 726.]

[457.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT TO
ISSUE SHORT TERM NOTES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The city of Bridgeport is authorized, by a vote of the majority of the members of the common council in legal meeting assembled, and subject to the approval of the mayor as provided in the charter, and subject to the approval of the financial advisory committee of said city, to borrow such amounts from time to time as may be required for the purposes hereinafter named not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, and to issue notes therefor, bearing interest at a rate

not exceeding six per centum per annum. One hundred and fifty thousand dollars of said notes shall be payable one year after date, and the other one hundred and fifty thousand dollars shall be payable two years after date. The proceeds of such notes shall be used exclusively for the care of and to provide work for needy persons in the city of Bridgeport after an investigation of their individual needs. The distribution of the funds and the kind of work to be done shall be determined and directed by a special committee, consisting of Sumner Simpson, George M. Eames, Walter B. Lashar, George B. Clark, Rev. J. B. Nihill, Rev. Horace W. Day and Matthew H. Rogers, all of said Bridgeport. Said committee shall make report to the common council. No part of the proceeds of said notes shall be used for the extension of Broad street in said Bridgeport.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 723.]

[458.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLE
DEPARTMENT TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF
CHAPTER 300 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1921,
FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD ENDING
JUNE 30, 1923.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the motor vehicle department for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923, to carry out the provisions of chapter 300 of the public acts of 1921, entitled "An Act providing for a Tax upon Gasoline and other Products used for the Propelling of Motor Vehicles and Motor Boats": For per diem clerks, twenty thousand dollars; for office expense, twenty thousand dollars; for expense of automobiles, eight thousand dollars.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 715.]

[459.]

AN ACT MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR
THE BOARD OF CONTROL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of three hundred and seventy thousand dollars is appropriated for the board of control in addition to the sum appropriated under

the provisions of an act making an appropriation to the board of control for deficiency appropriations, approved January 20, 1921, and in addition to an appropriation made under the provisions of an act making an additional appropriation for the board of control until July 1, 1921, approved May 18, 1921; said sum to be expended for support of schools, high school tuition, high school transportation and public and school libraries.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1050]

[460.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE EMANUEL SYNAGOGUE OF
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Walter Beatman, Saul Berman, Max Blumenthal, Harris Chesky, Samuel A. Fassler, Joseph Feinberg, Louis Y. Gaberman, David Garber, Julius H. Cinesky, Joseph S. Heilpern, Solomon R. Herrup, Louis Jaffer, Louis H. Katz, Louis Kemler, Herman P. Koppleman, Harry Krasnow, Morris L. Lutwak, Edward H. Molans, Solomon C. Poriss, Barney Rapaport, Samuel Rosenthal, Harry E. Sobolevsky, Louis M. Schatz, Wolf Silver, Barney Toretzky and David T. Weinerman, with such other persons as may associate with them for the purposes and objects hereinafter specified, are constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of The Emanuel Synagogue, of Hartford, Connecticut, to be located in the city of Hartford, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a place of public worship, for the advancement of the interests of the Hebrew denomination in said city and for the purpose of maintaining a cemetery to be used exclusively by the people of the Hebrew race.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have power to make and adopt by-laws, for the admission, government, supervision and expulsion of its members, and, from time to time, to alter and repeal the same, and to adopt others in their place; to provide for the election of officers, and to define their duties; to regulate and provide for the management, safe-keeping and protection of its property and funds and for the general direction of its affairs.

SEC. 3. Said corporation may purchase and hold, or it may lease, any real estate or personal property, provided it shall not hold real estate the value of which shall exceed two hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 4. Said corporation shall have the right to acquire and hold lands for the purpose of a cemetery, and such buildings as are necessary or convenient for the proper use, care and management of the

same, and to manage and control the same according to law; to receive and hold gifts, bequests, legacies and devises for its own use, or in trust, for the purpose of keeping in order and repair such lots, monuments, grounds or other constructions as may be designated by the person creating the trust; and shall have power to manage the property or estate so held and invest and reinvest the same by means of officers and agents and in such manner as is by law required, and no bond shall be required from said corporation on account of such gifts, bequest, legacies and devises.

SEC. 5. The real estate now owned or that may hereafter be owned by said corporation, and used exclusively for church and cemetery purposes, shall be exempt from taxation; also its bonds, mortgages or fund invested now or hereafter, the income from which shall not exceed two thousand dollars per annum, provided such personal property shall be held solely for the uses of said corporation, and the revenue derived therefrom used exclusively for the maintenance of said church and cemetery.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect upon its being accepted by the persons associated as The Emanuel Synagogue, of Hartford, Connecticut, by a majority vote of those members present at a meeting to be called for that purpose, and held within four months from the date of the approval hereof; and notice of said acceptance shall be given by said corporation by causing a certificate to that effect, signed by its president and countersigned by its secretary, to be filed in the office of the secretary of the state within sixty days after such acceptance.

SEC. 7. Said corporation shall have the right to transfer, convey, assign or lease lots on the cemetery lands which the corporation now holds or may hereafter acquire, to its members and shall also have the right to transfer, convey, assign or lease pews to its individual members of the congregation.

SEC. 8. Upon the acceptance of this charter as aforesaid, all property, rights and obligations of every nature and description belonging to or incurred by said association, The Emanuel Synagogue, shall become the property rights and obligations of said corporation.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 14]

[461.]

AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOROUGH OF TORRINGTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Section one of the resolution incorporating the borough of Torrington, approved February 25, 1887, as amended by an act approved April 2, 1907, is amended to read as follows: All the electors

of this state, inhabitants of the town of Torrington, and dwelling within the following limits: Beginning at a point in the center of the Naugatuck river, which point is on the line between the towns of Harwinton and Torrington and is about one hundred and seventy-five feet southerly from the southerly line of land of John Iffland; thence northerly along the center of said river, which line is the Harwinton and Torrington town line, to the northwest corner of the town of Harwinton, thence south seventy-eight degrees, four minutes east, along the Harwinton and Torrington town line two thousand two hundred and forty-one and thirty-eight one-hundredths feet to a stone bound; thence north seventeen degrees fifty-four minutes east, three thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven and eighty-five one-hundredths feet to a stone bound on the southerly side of the Torrington road, opposite the barn of one James E. Mallette; thence north thirty-one degrees two minutes west, two thousand four hundred and ninety and forty-seven one-hundredths feet to a stone bound near Clark's pond on line with the north line of Calhoun street; thence north thirty degrees fifty-one minutes east, three thousand and sixty-one and twenty-four one-hundredths feet to a stone bound; thence north thirty-one degrees two minutes west, two thousand feet; thence south fifty-eight degrees fifty-eight minutes west, two thousand nine hundred ninety-six and twenty-four one-hundredths feet to a point on the east bank of the East branch of the Naugatuck river; thence south seventy-two degrees forty-four minutes west, five thousand two hundred and fifty-three and eighty-three one-hundredths feet to a point; thence south one degree thirty-three minutes west, ten thousand one hundred and ninety-one and forty-six one-hundredths feet to a point; thence south seventy-seven degrees thirty minutes east, five thousand four hundred and three and ninety-three one-hundredths feet to point and place of beginning, are hereby declared to be and shall forever hereafter continue to be a body politic and corporate by the name of the borough of Torrington; and by that name they and their successors shall have perpetual succession, and shall be a person in law, capable of suing and being sued in all suits, of holding and conveying any estate real or personal, and of having a common seal which they may change and alter at pleasure and they shall be freemen of said borough.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its approval by a majority vote, by ballot of the electors of the borough of Torrington at the next regular election or at any special election called for the purpose of approving this act.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 603.]

[463]

AN ACT REIMBURSING EINOR SKOGSTAD FOR MONEY
PAID TO THE STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The comptroller is directed to draw his order on the treasurer for the sum of thirteen hundred and eleven dollars and thirty-six cents in favor of Einor Skogstad, or his attorney for money paid to the state upon the forfeited bond for the appearance of Harold Freise at the September term, 1917, of the superior court, criminal side, for Fairfield county; said Freise being in confinement in jail at the time he was to have appeared in court under said bond, and having since said forfeiture appeared in court, been convicted and served his sentence.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 299.]

[463]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TRUNK LINE
HIGHWAY FROM NORTH GROSVERNORDALE
TO MECHANICSVILLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The highway commissioner is authorized to lay out and construct a highway leading from North Grosvernordale to Mechanicsville in the town of Thompson in a line parallel to the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company's tracks, and such highway shall be a part of the trunk line system.

SEC. 2. The sum of sixty thousand dollars is appropriated to carry out the provisions of this act.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 631.]

[464.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATE FARM
FOR THE INEBRIATES AT NORWICH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of five thousand dollars is appropriated for the completion and equipment of a building at the State Farm for Inebriates at Norwich.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 680.]

[465]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE NORWICH
STATE HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the erection of a new building at the Norwich State Hospital.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Senate Bill No. 678.]

[466.]

AN ACT INCREASING THE AUTHORIZED RATE OF INTEREST ON
SEWER CONSTRUCTION BONDS OF THE
CITY OF BRIDGEPORT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The city of Bridgeport is authorized to fix the rate of interest payable on sewer construction bonds aggregating three hundred and ten thousand dollars, as authorized under the provisions of an act authorizing the city of Bridgeport to issue bonds or other evidence of indebtedness, approved May 16, 1917, at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for Senate Bill No. 80.]

[467]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO SUPPLY DEFICIENCIES IN
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CONNECTICUT INSTITUTE AND
INDUSTRIAL HOME FOR THE BLIND PRIOR TO
AND DURING THE FISCAL PERIOD
ENDING JUNE 30, 1921.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of twenty thousand dollars is appropriated for The Connecticut Institute and Industrial Home for the Blind, to supply deficiencies in appropriations made prior to and during the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921.

Approved June 24, 1921.

...

[House Bill No. 1019.]

[468.]

AN ACT RAISING A COMMISSION CONCERNING A STATE BUILDING
AT THE EASTERN STATES EXPOSITION IN
SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The governor is authorized to appoint a commission of three persons to investigate, and report to the general assembly at its January session, 1923, its findings concerning the advisability of constructing a state building on the Eastern States Exposition grounds at Springfield, Massachusetts, for the purpose of state representation and for the housing of state exhibits.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 1003.]

[469.]

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO COVER THAT PART OF THE
EXPENSE OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE WASHINGTON BRIDGE
AND THE MYSTIC RIVER BRIDGE WHICH SHOULD
HAVE BEEN PAID BY STREET RAILWAY
COMPANIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of five hundred thousand dollars is appropriated for the highway commissioner for the purpose of reimbursing the state aid highway fund for the amount transferred from said fund and used to pay that part of the expense of the construction of the Washington bridge allotted to the Connecticut Company under the provisions of the general statutes, and the sum of seventy-seven thousand dollars is appropriated for the highway commissioner for the purpose of defraying the Shore Line Electric Railway Company's share of the expense to be incurred in the construction of the Mystic river bridge in Groton and Stonington.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 116.]

[470.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE GROTON
MONUMENT ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of five thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the Groton Monument Association, to be expended for repairs.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 296.]

[471.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE ERECTION OF
BUILDINGS AT THE CONNECTICUT
STATE HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of three hundred twenty-five thousand dollars is appropriated for the Connecticut State Hospital for the erection, equipment and furnishing of a hospital for the reception, care and treatment of persons suffering from acute insanity.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 472.]

[472.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE RELIEF OF
NEEDY BLIND PERSONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of twenty thousand dollars is appropriated for the use of the board of education of the blind in aiding needy blind persons for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 297.]

[473.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE REPLACEMENT,
REMODELING AND REPAIR OF BUILDINGS AT THE
CONNECTICUT STATE HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for the Connecticut State Hospital for the following objects: For replacing and remodeling buildings now in use at said hospital, seventy thousand dollars; for necessary and extraordinary repairs to said buildings, twenty thousand dollars.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 357.]

[474.]

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN
STATE ARMORIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of twenty-nine thousand dollars is appropriated for the following purposes: For the completion of the state armory at Ansonia, twenty thousand dollars; for the completion of the state armory at Middletown, five thousand dollars; for the completion of the state armory at Wallingford, four thousand dollars.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 473.]

[475.]

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE INSTRUCTION OF
THE ADULT BLIND IN THEIR HOMES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The sum of ten thousand dollars is appropriated for the use of the board of education of the blind in providing for the instruction of the adult blind in their homes for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1923.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 22.]

[476.]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE
CONNECTICUT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

The following sums are appropriated for The Connecticut Industrial School for Girls for the following purposes: For heating plant, including laying of new pipes, inside steam fitting, purchase of new boiler for power house and installation, fifty-one thousand dollars; for re-wiring all buildings for electricity and new fixtures, five thousand dollars; for fencing, one thousand dollars; for six cows, seven hundred dollars; for repairs to chicken house, five hundred dollars; for automobile truck, one thousand fifty dollars; for rebuilding part of greenhouse, one thousand five hundred dollars; for repayment of loan for work done on cow barn and plumbing in one of the houses belonging to the school, five thousand one hundred seven dollars and sixty-three cents; for screens, two thousand dollars; for painting, two thousand five hundred dollars.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 344.]

[477.]

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE YOUNG WOMEN'S
CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MERIDEN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section one of a resolution incorporating The Young Women's Christian Association of Meriden, approved March 28, 1895, is amended to read as follows: That Emma R. Thomas, Sarah D. Sutliff, Julia Gardner, Margaret Rogers, Augusta M. Curtis, Mary N. Otis, Emily W. Youngs, Mary H. Evarts, Anna Eckmark, Adelaide S. Davis, Helen Aldrich, Fannie L. Twiss, Ida Miller, Sarah M. Howell, together with such other persons as are now associated or may be hereafter associated with them as The Young Women's Christian Association of Meriden, and their successors, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Young Women's Christian Association of Meriden, for the purpose of extending the influences of the Christian religion among the young women of Meriden, and in all proper ways to aid in improving their moral, intellectual, social and physical condition, and, by such lawful means as the members of the corporation

shall think proper, to carry on such work for the benefit of young women as is usually performed by associations of this character; and by that name said corporation shall have perpetual succession and be capable in law to purchase and receive by gift, devise or otherwise, and to hold and convey all kinds of property not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars in value.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[Substitute for House Bill No. 1058.]

[478.]

AN ACT CREATING ZONING DISTRICTS IN THE
CITY OF NEW HAVEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. The city of New Haven is authorized to regulate and limit the height and bulk of structures to be erected; to regulate and limit the use of lot areas, the minimum areas or dimensions of rear, side and front yards of outer and inner courts and other open spaces within and surrounding any such structure; to classify, regulate and restrict the location of trades and industries and the location of structures designed for specified uses; to divide the city of New Haven into districts of such number, shape and area as may be deemed best suited to carry out the provisions of this act. Regulations may be imposed in each district specifying the uses that shall be excluded or subjected to reasonable requirements of a special nature and designating the uses for which buildings may not be erected or altered. The regulations shall be uniform for each class of buildings throughout any district. The regulations in one or more districts may differ from those in another district.

SEC. 2. The mayor of the city of New Haven, subject to the approval of the legislative authority of such city, acting under the provisions of this act shall appoint a zoning commission, consisting of not less than five nor more than thirteen persons and shall include such of the following officials and individuals as may exist in said city: The city engineer, the building inspector, a member of the board of assessors, two members of the city plan commission, one member of the municipal art commission, one member of the park commission, a realtor, an architect and lawyer. Such commission shall serve without pay.

SEC. 3. The commission shall recommend the boundaries of districts and appropriate regulations and restrictions to be enforced therein. Such commission shall make a tentative report and hold a hearing thereon. Notice of such hearing shall be given by publication at least fifteen days before the date of such hearing in a newspaper having circulation

in said city. Such notice shall state the time and place of such hearing, and that copies of the proposed ordinance, with the accompanying maps, may be seen at a designated place. Said meeting may be adjourned from time to time. Within thirty days after the final adjournment of such hearing, the commission shall make a report to the legislative authority of the city, and submit a proposed ordinance under the provisions of this act. Such ordinance, when enacted by proper authority, may be referred to the commission for further consideration. All ordinances, when adopted under the provisions of this act, shall be enforced under the authority of an officer to be designated by such ordinance.

SEC. 4. All regulations imposed and the districts created under the provisions of this act may be changed or altered from time to time by ordinance, but no such change or alteration shall be made without a hearing. The commission shall give notice and proceed with such hearing in the same manner as is herein provided. Upon the report of the commission, any amendment, alteration or repeal which is disapproved in the final report of the zoning commission shall not be adopted except by the favorable vote of at least three-fourths of the legislative authority of said city. When the owners of fifty per centum of the frontage in any district or part hereof shall present a petition to the mayor, requesting an amendment to or repeal of any such regulation, the mayor shall refer such proposed amendment or repeal to the commission for its consideration and recommendation, and said commission shall, within ninety days from the receipt of such petition, submit a report to the legislative authority of said city, for approval or disapproval. Upon such approval or disapproval a protest may be presented to said legislative authority and signed by twenty per centum of the owners of the frontage of the property immediately affected by the proposed amendment or repeal or by the owners of twenty per centum of the frontage of the rest of the block or blocks affected, or by the owners of twenty per centum of the frontage directly opposite the property immediately affected by such amendment or repeal. Such amendment or repeal shall not be adopted except by a three-fourths vote of all the members of the legislative authority.

SEC. 5. The mayor of the city of New Haven, subject to the approval of the legislative authority, shall appoint a board of zoning appeals, to consist of five members, of whom not more than three shall be officials of said city. Any person claiming to be aggrieved by any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the administrative official charged with the enforcement of any ordinance adopted pursuant to the provisions of this act, may file an appeal in writing from such order, requirement, decision or determination to said board of zoning appeals, who, after due notice to the authority from whose decision said appeal is taken, shall hear and determine the legality and reasonableness of such order, requirement, decision or determination. The concurring vote of

four members of the board shall be necessary to reverse such order, requirement, decision or determination. Such appeal shall stay all proceedings in furtherance of the action appealed from. When such an appeal shall be taken said board of zoning appeals shall, within thirty days, set a time for a hearing thereon and shall give due notice to the parties in interest, including the authority from whose order, requirement, decision or determination the appeal has been taken, of the time and place of such hearing. Said board of appeals may reverse or affirm, in whole or part, or may modify such order, decision, requirement or determination appealed from, and to that end it shall have all the powers of the authority from whose decision such appeal shall have been taken. When it shall appear to at least four members of said board that practical difficulties or unnecessary hardship might result in carrying out the strict letter of any ordinance concerning which an appeal has been taken, said board shall have the power, after such hearing is concluded, to vary or modify the application of the rules, regulations and provisions, relating to the construction, structural changes in, equipment or alteration of, buildings or structures; provided such change, modification or variance shall not violate the spirit of the ordinance. Any person, including any official charged with the enforcement of any order, requirement, decision or determination, claiming to be aggrieved by the decision of said board may, within fifteen days from the date when such decision shall have been rendered, take an appeal to the superior court for New Haven county and such appeal shall be made returnable to said court in a manner similar to that prescribed for the commencement of civil actions. Notice of the pendency of such appeal shall be given by leaving a true and attested copy thereof with such board within twelve days before the return day to which such appeal shall have been taken. The appeal shall state the ground or reasons upon which the same is predicted and shall stay all proceedings in furtherance of the action complained of until such appeal shall have been duly heard and disposed of by said superior court. The authority issuing the citation in such appeal shall take from the appellant a bond of recognizance to said board with surety, to prosecute such appeal to effect and comply with and conform to the order and decrees of the court. If it shall appear to the court on the trial of such cause that there has been an abuse of reasonable discretion on the part of said board, or that its decision is based upon a mistake or misconstruction of the law, or that such decision is the result of mistake or fraud, then such order, requirement, decision or determination shall be set aside and vacated; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect. Appeals from the decision of said board shall be preferred cases, to be heard by said court, unless good cause is shown to the contrary, as soon after the return day as practicable, and may be referred by the court in its discretion to one of the state referees, to be heard and proceeded with by such referee in the manner provided for civil actions.

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[479.]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TOWN COUNCIL AND MANAGER FORM OF
GOVERNMENT IN THE TOWN OF STRATFORD.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. The town of Stratford shall be governed by a council, consisting of nine members, elected as hereinafter provided, which council shall have and perform all the powers, duties and authority conferred by law upon officers, boards and commissions.

SEC. 2. The council shall consist of nine members, one to be elected from each district hereinafter described, who shall serve for a term of two years from one week after the day of their election, and until their several successors shall have been duly chosen and qualified. Any and all of said members shall be subject to recall after they shall have acted as such for a period of six months or more as hereinafter provided. Each member shall be an elector, duly registered on the list of electors in the district from which he is elected. In case of a vacancy occurring in the membership of the council, the council shall fill such vacancy for the unexpired term from the electors of the district in which the vacancy occurred, subject to action by initiative and referendum, as hereinafter provided, said initiative and referendum action to be taken by the electors of the district in which the vacancy occurred, and to be taken in accordance with the provisions of this act, except the percentage required to call an initiative or referendum election shall apply to the last list of electors of that district. The members of the council and the council chairman shall serve without compensation. Save for adoption of ordinances, resolutions and other measures, and the exercising supervision and control of the town manager, the council shall exercise all its administrative functions through a town manager and his subordinates as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 3. The council shall be the judge of the election and qualification of its own members, subject to review by the courts. Any member of the council who shall have been convicted of an offense punishable by imprisonment in the state prison while in office shall thereby forfeit his office. Neither the council nor any of its committees or members shall dictate the appointment of any person to office or employment by the town manager, or in any manner interfere with the town manager or prevent him from exercising his own judgment in the appointment of officers and employees in the administrative service. Except for the purpose of inquiry, the council and its members shall deal with the administrative service solely through the town manager, and neither the council nor any member thereof shall give orders to any of the subordinates of the town manager, either publicly or privately. Any such

dictation, prevention, orders or other interference on the part of a member of the council with the administration of the town shall be deemed to be a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, any member so convicted shall be subject to removal from office.

SEC. 4. The council shall choose one of its members to act as council chairman, but this office shall not deprive him of his vote on any question. It shall appoint a town manager, a town clerk, as hereinafter provided, and a town attorney; but no member of the council shall be chosen as town manager or hold any other town office or employment. The council may determine its own rules of procedure, may punish its own members for misconduct, and may compel attendance of its members. A majority of all the members of the council shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from time to time. The council shall fill, by appointment, all vacancies arising in the membership of the library board of said town to the same extent that the electors of said town have heretofore been authorized by special law to fill same by election. The council shall also fill by appointment for an unexpired term or a new term any vacancies arising in the school board of said town, and said school board, when so constituted, shall continue to exercise all powers and perform all duties as are by law provided.

SEC. 5. At eight o'clock p.m., one week after the regular town election which is to be held hereunder on the first Monday in October and every two years thereafter, the council shall meet at the usual place for holding meetings, at which time the newly elected councilmen shall assume the duties of their office. Thereafter the council shall meet at such time and place as may be prescribed by ordinance. The meetings of the council and all sessions of committees of the council shall be public. The council shall act only by ordinance or resolution, and all ordinances and resolutions, except ordinances making appropriations, shall be confined to one subject, which shall be clearly expressed in the title. The ordinances making appropriations shall be confined to the subject of appropriations. No ordinance shall be passed until it has been read at two separate meetings or the requirement of readings at two separate meetings has been dispensed with by a vote of seven members of the council. The final reading shall be in full, unless the measure shall have been printed or typewritten and a copy thereof furnished to each member prior to such reading. The ayes and noes shall be taken upon the passage of all ordinances or resolutions and entered upon the journal of the proceedings of the council, and every ordinance or resolution shall require, on final passage, the affirmative vote of a majority of all the members. No member shall be excused from voting, except on matters involving the consideration of his own official conduct or where his financial interests are involved. Provision may be made for the printing and publication in full of every ordinance within ten days after its final passage. The town clerk shall preserve

as a public record, open to the inspection of the public at all reasonable times, a true copy of each ordinance and resolution so passed.

SEC. 6. The chairman shall preside at all meetings of the council and perform such other duties consistent with his office as may be imposed by the council. He shall be recognized as the official head of the town for all ceremonial purposes, by the courts for the purpose of serving civil processes, and by the governor for military purposes. In time of public danger or emergency he may, with the consent of the council, take command of the police and maintain order and enforce the laws. During his absence or disability his duties shall be performed by another member appointed by the council.

SEC. 7. When any vacancies shall occur in the offices of selectmen, town clerks, justices of the peace or registrars of voters, the council shall fill the same for the unexpired term or for a new term, as the case may be, by choosing by resolution an elector or electors of said town to fill such offices. When any elector shall have been so chosen and shall have qualified he shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of such office or offices as is prescribed by the constitution and general and special laws of this state, except that the powers and duties of selectmen shall hereafter be limited to those powers vested in and those duties imposed upon them by the constitution and laws of the state in relation to the admission of persons to the privileges of electors in said town, and to the erasure from the registry list of the names of those who have forfeited the privileges of electors. All of said officers when so chosen shall receive such compensation for their services as the council shall determine, in lieu of all other salaries and fees.

SEC. 8. Any town clerk so chosen by the council shall hold office at the pleasure of the council, and may be removed by it at any time with or without previous notice. The town clerk shall act as clerk of the council, and shall perform, in addition to his regular duties, such duties as the council may prescribe. Any assistant town clerk shall hold office only as long as the town clerk who appointed him.

SEC. 9. Nomination and election of state and federal officers and of representatives and judges of probate shall be conducted, and the registrars of voters shall prepare lists of electors qualified to vote therefor, in the manner prescribed by the constitution and the general and special laws of this state applicable to said town.

SEC. 10. A town election shall be held on the first Monday of October of the year 1921, and of every second year thereafter, which shall be known as the regular town election, at which one candidate from each district hereinafter established shall be elected to membership in the council.

SEC. 11. The mode of nomination of candidates for the council provided for by this charter shall be by petition. The name of any elector of a district of the town shall be printed upon the ballot of that district whenever a petition as hereinafter prescribed shall have been

filed in his behalf with the election authorities. Such petition shall be signed by at least twenty-five electors of the district in which the candidate resides.

SEC. 12. For the purposes of the regular town election the town is divided into nine districts, as follows: First district. All that portion of the town south of a line beginning on the west boundary of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford railroad, thence easterly on said railroad to a point found by extending the center line of South avenue to said railroad, thence easterly along the center line of South avenue to the Housatonic river. Second district. All that portion of the town included in the boundary beginning at the intersection of the center line of Soundview avenue with the New York, New Haven, and Hartford railroad, thence northerly along the center line of Soundview avenue to the center line of Barnum avenue, thence easterly along the center line of Barnum avenue to the center line of Broad street, thence easterly along the center line of Broad street to the Housatonic river, thence southerly along the Housatonic river to the center line of South avenue, thence westerly along the center line of South avenue to the point of beginning. Third district. All that portion of the town included in the boundary beginning at the center line of Broad street at the Ferry creek, thence westerly along the center line of Broad street to the center line of Barnum avenue, thence easterly along the center line of Barnum avenue extended across and beyond Main street to Long brook, thence easterly and southerly along said brook and Ferry creek to the point of beginning. Fourth district. All that portion of the town included in the boundary beginning at the intersection of the western boundary of the town with the New York, New Haven, and Hartford railroad, thence northerly along said boundary to the center line of Canaan road, thence easterly along the center line of Canaan road to the center line of Broadbridge avenue, thence southerly along the center line of Broadbridge avenue to the center line of Barnum avenue, thence westerly along the center line of Barnum avenue to the center line of Soundview avenue, thence southerly along the center line of Soundview avenue to the New York, New Haven, and Hartford railroad, thence westerly along the New York, New Haven, and Hartford railroad to the point of beginning. Fifth district. All that portion of the town included in the boundary beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Canaan road and the western boundary of the town, thence northerly along said boundary to the Trumbull line, thence northeasterly along said Trumbull line to the center line of Nichols avenue, thence southerly along the center line of Nichols avenue to the center line of Barnum avenue, thence westerly along the center line of Barnum avenue to the center line of Broadbridge avenue, thence northerly along the center line of Broadbridge avenue to the center line of Canaan road, thence westerly along the center line of Canaan road to the point of beginning. Sixth district. All that portion of the town included

in the boundary beginning at the intersection of Nichols avenue and Barnum avenue, thence northerly along the center line of Nichols avenue to Trumbull boundary, thence easterly along said boundary line to the center line of the Huntington road, thence southerly along the center line of the Huntington road and Main street to the center line of Barnum avenue, thence westerly along Barnum avenue to the point of beginning. Seventh district. All that portion of the town included in the boundary beginning at the center line of Main street opposite Barnum avenue, thence northerly along the center line of Main street, to the center line of Wilcoxson avenue, thence easterly along the center line of Wilcoxson avenue to the center line of East Main street, thence northerly along the center line of East Main street to Wakelees brook, thence easterly along Wakelees brook to the Housatonic river, thence southerly along the Housatonic river to the center line of Broad street, thence westerly along the center line of Broad street to the Ferry creek, thence northerly and westerly along the Ferry creek and Long brook to a point opposite the extended center line of Barnum avenue, thence westerly to the point of beginning. Eighth district. All that portion of the town included in the boundary beginning at the intersection of Huntington road and Main street, thence northerly along the center line of Main street to the center line of East of Wigwam lane, thence easterly along the center line of Wigwam lane to the center line of Cut Spring road, thence southerly along the center line of Cut Spring road to the center line of Main street, thence northerly along the center line of Main street, to the center line of East Main street, thence due east to the Housatonic river, thence southerly along the Housatonic river to Wakelees brook, thence westerly along Wakelees brook to the center line of East Main street, thence southerly along the center line of East Main street to the center line of Wilcoxson avenue, thence westerly along the center line of Wilcoxson avenue to the center line of Main street, thence southerly along the center line of Main street to the point of beginning. Ninth district. All that portion of the town north of the boundary beginning at the intersection of the Trumbull line and the Huntington road, thence southerly along the center line of the Huntington road to the center line of Wigwam lane, thence easterly along the center line of Wigwam lane to the center line of Cut Spring road, thence southerly along the center line of the Cut Spring road to the center line of Main street, thence northerly along the center line of Main street to the center line of East Main street, thence due east to the Housatonic river. For said regular town election there shall be provided a separate polling place in each of said districts in the manner provided by law.

SEC. 13. There shall continue to be two and only two registrars of voters for the whole town. It shall be their duty to prepare in the manner prescribed by law separate lists of electors entitled to vote in each of said voting districts at each regular town election.

SEC. 14. The signatures to the nominating petition for the election of council members need not all be appended to one paper, but to each separate paper there shall be attached an affidavit of the circulator thereof, stating the number of signers of such paper and that each signature appended thereto was made in his presence and is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. With each signature shall be stated the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number or other description sufficient to identify the same. The form of the nominating petition shall be substantially as follows:

We, the undersigned, electors of thedistrict in the town of Stratford hereby nominate, whose residence isin saiddistrict for the office of councilman to be voted for at the election to be held in the town of Stratford, on the day of19, and we individually certify that we are qualified to vote for a candidate for the office named.

Name Street and Number.....
(Signatures)

....., being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the circulator of the foregoing petition paper containing signatures, and that the signatures appended thereto were made in his presence and are the signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be.

(Signed)

Subscribed and sworn to before me thisday of19.....

..... Justice of the Peace (or Notary Public).

This petition, if found to be insufficient by the election authorities, shall be returned to at No..... Street.

SEC. 15. All nomination papers for said regular town election comprising a petition shall be assembled and filed with the town clerk, as one instrument, not earlier than thirty nor later than fifteen days before the election. Any person nominated under this charter shall file with the town clerk his written acceptance of said nomination not later than twenty days before the day of the election, and in the absence of such acceptance his name shall not appear on the ballot.

SEC. 16. The full names of candidates nominated for the council in accordance with the provisions of this charter shall be printed on the official ballots in the alphabetical order of the surnames.

SEC. 17. Any member or members of the council may be recalled and removed therefrom by the electors of the voting district or districts by which he or they were elected as herein provided. Any elector of a

voting district may make and file with the town clerk an affidavit containing the name of the council member whose removal is sought and a statement of the grounds for removal. The town clerk shall thereupon deliver to the elector making such affidavit copies of petition blanks for such removal, printed forms of which he shall keep on hand. Such blanks shall be issued by the clerk with his signature and official seal thereto attached; they shall be dated and addressed to the council and shall contain the name of the person to whom issued, the number of blanks so issued and the name of the member whose removal is sought. A copy of the petition shall be entered in a record book to be kept in the office of the town clerk. The recall petition, to be effective, shall be returned and filed with the town clerk within thirty days after the filing of the affidavit. The petition before being returned and filed shall be signed by the electors of the district to the number of at least fifteen per centum of the number of electors who were entitled to cast, in said district, their votes at the last preceding regular town election. To every such signature shall be added the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number or other description sufficient to identify the place. Such signatures need not all be on one paper, provided each paper carry the designation of the purpose for which the paper is circulated, but the circulator of every such paper shall make an affidavit that each signature appended to the paper is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. All such recall papers shall be filed as one instrument, with the endorsements thereon of the names and addresses of three persons designated as filing the same.

SEC. 18. Within ten days after the filing of the petition the town clerk shall ascertain whether or not the petition is signed by the requisite number of electors and shall attach thereto his certificate showing the result of such examination. If his certificate shows the petition to be insufficient, he shall forthwith so notify in writing one or more of the persons designated on the petition as filing the same; and the petition may be amended at any time within ten days, after the giving of said notice, by the filing of a supplementary petition upon additional petition papers, issued, signed and filed as provided herein for the original petition. The town clerk shall, within ten days after such amendment make like examination of the amended petition, and attach thereto his certificate of the result. If then found to be insufficient, or if no amendment was made he shall file the petition in his office and shall notify each of the persons designated thereon as filing it of that fact. The final finding of the insufficiency of a petition shall not prejudice the filing of a new petition for the same purpose.

SEC. 19. If the petition or amended petition shall be certified by the town clerk to be sufficient he shall submit the same with his certificate to the council at its next meeting and shall notify the member or members whose removal is sought of such action. The council shall thereupon, within ten days of the receipt of the town clerk's certificate, unless

the member or members whose removal is sought shall have resigned, order an election to be held not less than thirty nor more than forty-five days thereafter within and for the district or districts from which the council member or members whose removal is sought was elected; provided, if any other regular town election is to occur within sixty days after the receipt of said certificate, the council may in its discretion provide for the holding of the removal election on the date of such other election.

SEC. 20. The form of the ballot at such election shall be as nearly as may be: "Shall A be recalled?", the name of the member whose recall is sought being inserted in place of A, and the ballot shall also contain the names of the candidates for election in place of the man recalled, as follows: "Candidates for the place of A, if recalled," but the member whose recall is sought shall not himself be a candidate upon such ballot. In case a majority of those voting for and against the recall of any member shall vote in favor of recalling such official he shall thereby be removed, and in that event the candidate who receives the highest number of votes for his place shall be elected thereto for the balance of the unexpired term. Should the council fail or refuse to order an election as herein provided within the time required, such election may be ordered by any court of general jurisdiction in the county in which said town is situated.

SEC. 21. The people shall have the power at their option to propose ordinances, and other measures and to adopt the same at the polls, such power being known as the initiative. A petition meeting the requirements hereinafter provided and requesting the council to pass an ordinance, resolution, order or vote (all of these four terms being hereinafter included in the term "measure" therein set forth or designated), shall be termed an initiative petition and shall be acted upon as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 22. Signatures to initiative petitions need not all be on one paper provided each paper shall carry the designation of the purpose for which the paper is circulated, but the circulator of every such paper shall make an affidavit that each signature appended to the paper is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. With each signature shall be stated the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number or other description sufficient to identify the place. All such papers pertaining to any one measure shall have written or printed thereon the names and addresses of at least five electors who shall be officially regarded as filing the petition, and shall constitute a committee of the petitioners for the purposes hereinafter named. All such papers shall be filed in the office of the town clerk as one instrument. Attached to every such instrument shall be a certificate signed by the committee of petitioners or a majority of them stating whether the petition is intended to be a "fifteen per centum petition" or a "twenty-five per centum petition."

SEC. 23. Within ten days after the filing of the petition the town clerk shall ascertain by examination the number of electors whose signatures are appended thereto and whether this number is at least fifteen per centum or twenty-five per centum, as the case may be, of the total number of electors who were entitled to cast their votes at the last preceding regular town election, and he shall attach to said petition his certificate showing the result of said examination. If, by the clerk's certificate, of which notice in writing shall be given to one or more of the persons designated, the petition is shown to be insufficient it may be amended within ten days from the date of said certificate by filing supplementary petition papers with additional signatures. The town clerk shall within ten days after such amendment make like examination of the amended petition, and if his certificate shall show the same to be insufficient he shall file the petition in his office and shall notify each member of the committee of the fact. The final finding of the insufficiency of a petition shall not prejudice the filing of a new petition for the same purpose.

SEC. 24. If the petition shall be found to be sufficient, the town clerk shall so certify and submit the proposed measure to the council, who shall at once read and refer the same to an appropriate committee, which may be a committee of the whole. Provision shall be made for public hearings upon the proposed measure before the committee to which it is referred. Thereafter the committee shall report the proposed measure to the council, with its recommendation thereon, not later than sixty days after the date upon which such measure was submitted, to the council by the town clerk. Upon receiving the proposed measure from the committee the council shall at once proceed to consider it and shall take final action thereon within thirty days from the date of such committee report.

SEC. 25. If the council shall fail to pass the proposed measure, or shall pass it in a form different from that set forth in the petition, then if the petition was a "twenty-five per centum petition," the proposed measure shall be submitted by the council to the vote of the electors at the next election occurring not less than thirty days after the date of the final action by the council, and if no election is to be held within six months from such date, then the council shall call a special election to be held not less than thirty nor more than forty-five days from such date. But if the petition was a "fifteen per centum petition" the proposed measure shall be submitted as in the case of a "twenty-five per centum petition," except that no special election shall be called unless within thirty days after the final action by the council on the proposed measure a supplementary petition shall be filed with the town clerk signed by a sufficient number of additional electors asking for the submission of the proposed measure so that the original petition combined with such supplementary petition shall become a "twenty-five per centum petition." In case such supplementary petition is filed and no regular

town election is to be held within six months thereafter, the council shall call a special election to be held not less than thirty nor more than forty-five days after the receipt of the town clerk's certificate that a sufficient supplementary petition has been filed. The sufficiency of any such supplementary petition shall be determined, and it may be amended in the manner provided for original petitions. When submitted the measure shall be either in its original form, or with any proposed change or addition which was presented in writing at the public hearing before the committee to which such proposed measure was referred, or during the consideration thereof by the council; and said committee of petitioners shall certify to the town clerk the requirement of submission and the proposed measure in the form desired, within ten days after the date of final action on such measure by the council. Upon receipt of the certificate and certified copy of the measure, the town clerk shall certify the fact to the council at its next meeting and such measure shall be submitted by the council to the vote of the electors in a regular or special town election as hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 26. The ballots used when voting upon any such proposed measure shall state the substance thereof, and below it the two propositions "For the measure" and "Against the measure." Immediately at the right of each proposition there shall be a square in which by making a cross (X) the voter may vote for or against the proposed measure. If the majority of the electors voting on any such measure shall vote in favor thereof, it shall thereupon become an ordinance, resolution, order or vote of the town as the case may be. The following shall be the form of the ballot:

TITLE OF MEASURE.

With general statement of substance thereof

For the measure	1	1
Against the measure	1	1

SEC. 27. Any number of proposed measures may be voted upon at the same election in accordance with the provisions of this act.

SEC. 28. The people shall have the power at their option to approve or reject at the polls, any measure passed by the council or submitted by the council to a vote of the electors, excepting measures levying a tax for or appropriating money to defray the general expenses of the town government or any existing department thereof; also measures ordering the construction of public or local improvements and levying assessments on the property specially benefited thereby, for the payment thereof. Such power shall be known as the referendum; which power shall be invoked and exercised as herein provided. All measures save those hereinabove specifically excepted, submitted to the council by initiative petition and passed by the council without change or passed in an amended form and not required by the committee of the petitioners to

be submitted to a vote of the electors, shall be subject to the referendum in the same manner as other measures.

SEC. 29. No measure shall go into effect until thirty days after its passage unless it be declared an emergency measure on the ground of urgent public need for the preservation of peace, health, safety or property, the facts showing such urgency and need being specifically stated in the measure itself and the measure being passed by a vote of not less than six of the members of the council. But no measure amending or repealing any measure adopted by the people at the polls or by the council in compliance with an initiative petition, shall be regarded as an emergency measure.

SEC. 30. If, within thirty days after the final passage of any measure by the council, a petition signed by electors of the town to the number of at least ten per centum of the number of electors who were entitled to cast their vote at the last preceding regular town election, to be filed with the town clerk requesting that any such measure, or any part thereof, be repealed or be submitted to a vote of the electors, it shall not, except in the case of an emergency measure, become operative until the steps indicated herein have been taken.

SEC. 31. The signatures thereto need not all be on one paper, provided each paper shall carry the designation of the purpose for which the paper is circulated, but the circulator of every such paper shall make an affidavit that each signature appended thereto is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. With each signature shall be stated the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number or other description sufficient to identify the place. All such papers shall be filed in the office of the town clerk as one instrument. A referendum petition need not contain the text of the measure designated therein and of which the repeal is sought.

SEC. 32. Within ten days after the filing of the petition the town clerk shall ascertain whether or not the petition is signed by the electors of the town to the number of at least ten per centum of the number of electors who were entitled to cast their votes at the last preceding regular town election, and he shall attach to such petition, his certificate showing the result of such examination. If, by the town clerk's certificate, the petition is shown to be insufficient, it may be amended within ten days from the date of said certificate by the filing of supplementary petition papers with additional signatures. The town clerk shall within ten days after such amendment, make like examination of the amended petition and certify the result thereof.

SEC. 33. If the petition be found sufficient the council shall proceed to reconsider such measure or such part thereof as the petition shall specify. If, upon such reconsideration, such measure or part thereof, be not repealed or amended as demanded in the petition, the council shall provide for submitting the same, by the method herein provided, to a vote of the electors at the next town election occurring not less than

thirty days after the receipt by the council of the town clerk's certificate, and such measure, or such part thereof, shall thereupon be suspended from going into effect until said election and shall then be deemed repealed unless approved by a majority of those voting thereon. The council, by a two-thirds vote, may submit such measure or part thereof with like effect to the electors at a special election to be called by said council not less than thirty days after the receipt of said town clerk's certificate.

SEC. 34. Proposed measures shall be submitted by ballot title. There shall appear upon the official ballot, a ballot title which may be distinct from the legal title of any such proposed measure and which shall be a clear, concise statement, without argument or prejudice, descriptive of the substance of the measure. The ballot title shall be prepared by the committee of the petitioners if for an initiative or a referendum measure, or by a committee of the council when submitted by the council.

SEC. 35. The ballots used when voting upon such proposed measure shall designate the same, and below it the two propositions, "For the measure" and "Against the measure."

SEC. 36. Measures passed as emergency measures shall be subject to referendum like other measures, except that they shall not be suspended from going into effect while the referendum proceedings are pending. If, when submitted to a vote of the electors, an emergency measure be not approved by a majority of those voting thereon, it shall be considered repealed, as regards any further action thereunder and all rights and privileges conferred by it shall be null and void; provided such measure so repealed shall be deemed sufficient authority for any payment made or expense incurred in accordance with the measure previous to the referendum vote thereon.

SEC. 37. The town clerk, at least fifteen days before any election at which any measure is to be submitted, shall post a certified copy of such measure or measures on the town sign post and cause the same to be printed at least twice in a newspaper having a circulation in said town of Stratford. The text of every measure shall also be displayed in a conspicuous place at the polling booths used at such election.

SEC. 38. If two or more measures adopted or approved at the same election conflict in respect to any of their provisions, they shall go into effect in respect to such of their provisions as are not in conflict and the one receiving the highest affirmative vote shall prevail.

SEC. 39. The town manager shall be the chief executive and administrative officer of the town. As such, he shall possess, have and exercise all the executive and administrative powers vested in the town, except as herein otherwise provided. He shall be chosen by the council solely on the basis of his executive and administrative qualifications. The choice need not be limited to the inhabitants of the town or state. The town manager shall devote his entire time and business interest

to the management of the town's affairs, and shall not, during his term of office, be an employee of, or perform any executive duty for any person, firm, corporation or institution other than the town of Stratford. His salary shall be fixed by the council and he shall be required to give a bond, for the faithful performance of the duties of his office in such amount as the council may determine. He shall be appointed for an indefinite period, and shall be removable by the council at pleasure. If removed at any time after six months of service, he may demand written charges and a public hearing on the same before the council and the same shall be given him prior to the date on which his final removal shall take effect. Pending such hearing, the council may suspend him from office and during such suspension, or in case of his absence or disability from any other cause, the council shall designate some properly qualified person, other than a member of the council, to perform the duties of the office.

SEC. 40. The town manager shall have special powers and duties hereinafter enumerated, and shall be directly responsible to the council for the proper administration thereof: (a) To see that all laws and ordinances governing the town are enforced; (b) to appoint and remove at pleasure, except as otherwise in this act provided, all directors of departments and all subordinate officers and employees in such departments in both classified and unclassified service, such appointments and removals to be made upon the basis of merit and fitness alone, including proper subordination; (c) to exercise control and supervision over all departments, herein created, except as otherwise in this act provided; (d) to make a monthly report to the council and to attend all meetings of the council when requested by the council with the right to take full part in the discussion, but having no vote; (e) to recommend to the council for adoption such measures as he may deem necessary or expedient; (f) to keep the council fully advised as to the financial condition of the town; (g) to prepare and submit to the council an annual budget as by this act required; (h) to submit to the council at each meeting thereof an order of business covering his recommendation; (i) to perform such other duties as may be prescribed by this act, or required of him by ordinance or resolution by the council.

SEC. 41. There shall be four administrative departments as follows: Public works, safety, health and welfare, and finance, the functions of which shall be prescribed by the council except as herein provided. The council shall fix all salaries, and the council may, by a two-thirds vote of its entire membership, create new departments, combine or abolish existing departments or establish temporary departments for special work.

SEC. 42. At the head of each department there shall be a director, or the town manager may serve as a director of any or all departments until such time as a director is deemed necessary. Each director shall be chosen on the basis of his general executive and administrative ex-

perience and ability and of his education, training and experience in the class of work which he is to administer. Each director shall be appointed by the town manager and may be removed by him at any time; but in case of such removal, if the director so demands, written charges must be preferred by the town manager, and the director shall be given a public hearing before the order of removal is made final. The charges and the director's reply thereto shall be filed with the town clerk and shall be a public record. The salary of each director shall be fixed by the council from time to time.

SEC. 43. The director of finance shall exercise all powers and perform all duties now exercised and performed by assessors, the town treasurer and the collector of taxes, subject to the direction and control of the town manager at all times. He shall have direct supervision over the department of finance and the administration of the financial affairs of the town, including the keeping of accounts and financial records; the assessment and collection of taxes, special assessments and other revenues, the custody and disbursement of town funds and moneys, the control over expenditures, and such other duties as the council may by ordinance provide. Accounts shall be kept by the department of finance showing the financial transactions for all departments of the town. Forms for all such accounts shall be prescribed by the director of finance with the approval of the town manager; and shall be adequate to record all cash receipts and disbursements, all revenues accrued and liabilities incurred, and all transactions affecting the acquisition, custody and disposition of values and to make such reports of the financial transactions and conditions of the town as may be required by law or ordinance. Financial reports shall be prepared for each quarter and each fiscal year, and for such other periods as may be required by the town manager.

SEC. 44. The director of health and welfare shall exercise all powers and perform all duties heretofore exercised and performed by the town health officer, subject to the direction and control of the town manager.

SEC. 45. The directors of departments shall be immediately responsible to the town manager for the administration of their departments and their advice in writing may be required by him on all matters affecting their departments. They shall prepare estimates, which shall be opened to public inspection, and they shall make all other reports and recommendations concerning their departments at stated intervals or when requested by the town manager.

SEC. 46. The council, the town manager and any officer or board authorized by them, or either of them, shall have the power to make investigations as to town affairs, to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths and compel the production of books and papers.

SEC. 47. In the event a civil service commission is at any time created by the council, such commission shall promulgate rules for the

classification of all employees of all departments for open, competitive and free examinations as to fitness for an eligible list from which vacancies shall be filled for a period of probation before employment is made permanent and for promotion on the basis of merit, experience and record of service; provided in making such classified list, there shall not be included therein elective officers and those appointed by the council, heads of departments, offices and divisions, members of commissions, and one secretary or stenographer for each department, board or commission and those persons performing duties which require exceptional scientific, mechanical, professional or educational qualifications, and day laborers and unskilled workmen. From and after the creation of a civil service commission no appointment or promotion in the classified service shall be made except from names certified by the commission.

SEC. 48. All employees of the town at the time this act takes effect shall be continued as such until their successors are chosen.

SEC. 49. Not later than one month before the end of each fiscal year, the town manager shall prepare and submit to the council an annual budget for the ensuing fiscal year, based upon detailed estimates furnished by the several departments and other divisions of the town government, according to a classification as nearly uniform as possible. The budget shall present the following information: (a) An itemized statement of the appropriations recommended by the town manager for current expenses and for permanent improvements for each department and each division thereof, for the ensuing fiscal year with comparative statements in parallel columns of the appropriations and expenditures for the current and next preceding fiscal year, and the increases or decreases in the appropriations recommended; (b) an itemized statement of the taxes required and of the estimated revenues of the town from all other sources for the ensuing fiscal year, with comparative statements in parallel columns of the taxes and other revenues for the current and next preceding fiscal year, and of the increases or decreases estimated or proposed; (c) a statement of the financial condition of the town and (d) such other information as may be required by the council. Copies of the budget shall be printed and available for distribution not later than two weeks after its submission to the council, and a public hearing shall be given thereon by the council or a committee thereof before action by the council.

SEC. 50. Not later than one month after the beginning of the fiscal year, the council shall pass an annual appropriation ordinance, which shall be based on the budget submitted by the town manager. The total amount of appropriations shall not exceed the estimated revenues of the town. Before the annual appropriation ordinance has been passed, the council, with the approval in writing of the town manager, may make appropriations for current department expenses, chargeable to the appropriations of the year when passed, to an amount sufficient to cover the necessary expenses of the various depart-

ments until the annual appropriation is in force. No other liabilities shall be incurred by any officer or employee of the town, except in accordance with the provisions of the annual appropriation ordinance or under continuing contracts and loans authorized under the provisions of this act. At any meeting and after at least one week's public notice, the council, by a two-thirds vote, may authorize the transfer of unused balances appropriated for one purpose to another purpose, or to appropriate available revenues not included in the annual budget. The budget for the fiscal year commencing on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in October, 1921, shall be prepared by the board of finance of said town in the manner provided by law, and by it submitted to the council at its first meeting to be held on the second Monday of October, 1921. The council within thirty days thereafter shall adopt said budget in its original or amended form.

SEC. 51. Upon the adoption of a budget, the council shall, by ordinance, levy such tax as may be necessary to meet the appropriations made (less the estimated amount of revenue from other sources) and all sums required by law to be raised on account of the town debt, together with such addition, not exceeding five per centum, as may be necessary to meet commissions, fees and abatements in the amount of taxes, collected from the estimates.

SEC. 52. No ordinance providing for the issue of bonds shall be passed without public notice at least two weeks before final action by the council, and either the approval of two-thirds of all the members of the council or submission to the electors of the town at a regular or special election and the approval of a majority of those voting thereon. Every issue of bonds shall be payable within a term of years not to exceed the estimated period of utility of the improvement for which they are issued, and in no case to exceed thirty years, and shall be payable in equal annual serial installments, including principal and interest.

Every ordinance for the issue of bonds shall provide for a tax levy for each year to meet the annual serial installments of principals and interest, and such amounts shall be included in the tax levy for each year until said bonds shall have been paid in full.

SEC. 53. No continuing contract, which involves the payment of money out of the appropriations of more than two years, shall be made for a period of more than ten years; and no such contract shall be valid without public notice at least two weeks before final action of the council and has the approval of two-thirds of all the members of the council or submission to the electors of the town at a regular or special election and the approval of a majority of those voting thereon. Any public work or improvement costing more than one thousand dollars shall be executed by contract except where a specific work or improvement is authorized by the council based on detailed estimates submitted by the department authorized to execute such work or improvement. All contracts for more than one thousand dollars shall

be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, after public advertisement and competition, as may be prescribed by ordinance. The town manager shall have power to reject all bids and to advertise again and all advertisement shall contain a reservation of this right.

SEC. 54. Payments by the town shall be made only upon vouchers certified by the head of the appropriate department or other division of the town government, and by means of warrants on the town treasurer issued by the director of finance and countersigned by the town manager. The director of finance shall examine all pay rolls, bills and other claims and demands against the town, and shall issue no warrant for payment unless he finds that the claim is in proper form, correctly computed and duly certified, that it is justly and legally due and payable, that an appropriation has been made therefor which has not been exhausted or that the payment has been otherwise legally authorized and that there is money in the town treasury to make payment. He may require any claimant to make oath to the validity of the claim. He may investigate any claim and for such purposes may examine witnesses under oath and if he finds it is fraudulent, erroneous or otherwise invalid he shall not issue a warrant therefor.

SEC. 55. Upon the death, resignation, removal or expiration of the term of any officer of the town, other than the director of finance, the director of finance shall make an audit and investigation of the accounts of such officer and report to the town manager and council. As soon as practicable after the close of each fiscal year, an annual audit shall be made of all accounts of all town officers, and upon the death, resignation, removal or expiration of the term of the director of finance, an audit shall be made of his accounts. Such audits shall be made under the provisions of any law for the inspection and audit of municipal accounts by state officers, and if there is no such state inspection such audits shall be made by certified public accountants, selected by the council, who have no personal interest, direct or indirect, in the financial affairs of the town or any of its officers or employees. The council may, at any time, provide for the examination or audit of the accounts of any officer or department of the town government, other than the town court.

SEC. 56. There shall be a town planning board of ten members consisting of the town manager and nine citizen members, not all of one sex, chosen by the council, one from each district of the town to serve without pay for a definite period. The council shall supplant any member who displays lack of interest, or fails upon due notice and continuously for three months to attend the meetings of the board without leave of absence. It shall be the duty of the board to keep itself informed of the progress of town planning in this and other countries, to make studies and recommendations for the improvement of the plan of the town with a view to the present and future movement of traffic, the convenience, amenity, health, recreation, general welfare and other

needs of the town dependent on the town plan; to consider and report upon the designs and their relations to the town plan of all new public ways, lands, buildings, bridges and all other public places and structures, of additions to and alterations in those already existing, and of the layout or plotting of new subdivisions of the town. The council may authorize the planning board to control the height, design, appearance and location of buildings, and the division of the town into building districts or zones.

SEC. 57. All acts of the council or of any other branch of the town government affecting the town plan shall be submitted to the board for report and recommendations. The council may, at any time, call upon the board to report with recommendations and the board, of its own volition, may also report to the council with recommendations on any matter which, in the opinion of either body, affects the plan of the town. Any matter referred by the council to the board shall be acted on by the board within thirty days of the date of reference, unless a longer or shorter period is specified. No action by the council involving any points hereinbefore set forth shall be legal or binding until it has been referred to the said board and until its recommendations thereon have been accepted or rejected by the council.

SEC. 58. The town planning board shall submit to the council an annual report summarizing the activities of the board for the fiscal year, the recommendations made by it to the council during the year and the action of the council during the year on any and all recommendations made by the board in that of former years. The annual report of the board shall also contain a program for improvements to the town plan, year by year, during the three years next ensuing, with estimates of the cost thereof and recommendations as to how the cost shall be met.

SEC. 59. The board may appoint as secretary a person of skill and experience in city planning and may employ consulting town planning experts as need may rise. The director of public works shall serve as chief engineer of the town planning board, and it shall be his particular duty to make recommendations designed to bring all the engineering works of the town into harmony as parts of one comprehensive plan. The director of health and welfare of the town shall advise the planning board from time to time of any municipal improvements within the scope of the board, which in his opinion would improve the healthfulness of the town. The board shall have power to call upon any branch of the town government at any time for information and advise which, in the opinion of the board, will insure the efficiency of its work.

SEC. 60. All accounts and the records of every office and department of the town shall be open to the public at all reasonable times under reasonable regulations, except records and documents from which might be secured information which might defeat the lawful purposes of the officer or department withholding them from access to the public.

SEC. 61. All previous ordinances or resolutions not inconsistent with this act shall remain in force until the council may change or amend them.

SEC. 62. All such officers and employees as the council may designate shall, before qualifying and entering upon their duties, furnish a bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of their duties, to an amount and in the form approved by the council.

SEC. 63. For the purpose of nominating and electing officers as provided herein, this act shall take effect upon its approval by a majority of the electors of the town voting at the special election hereinafter provided. For the purpose of exercising the powers of the town establishing departments, divisions and offices, and distributing the functions thereof, and for all other purposes, it shall take effect on the first Monday of October, 1921.

SEC. 64. On the second Monday of July, 1921, there shall be held a special election in said town at which the sole question to be voted upon shall be: "Shall the Council-Manager charter for Stratford, passed by the General Assembly at its January session, 1921, be adopted?" If a majority of those voting at said election vote "yes," this act shall immediately take effect as herein provided. If a majority of those voting vote "no," this act shall be null and void. Said special election shall be warned, held and conducted in the manner provided for warning, holding and conducting biennial electors' meetings. The town clerk of said town shall cause copies of this act to be printed and made available to the electors of the town at the town clerk's office not less than two weeks before said special election. The expense of said printing shall be paid by said town.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 677]

[480.]

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CREATING THE TOWN COURT
OF MILFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section twenty-six of an act establishing the town court of Milford, approved May 16, 1901, is amended to read as follows: In all civil causes whereof said town court shall have jurisdiction, and whenever either the plaintiff or the defendant or his attorney shall file with the judge of said town court, on or before the return day of said cause, a written request therefor, said cause shall be entered on the jury docket of said court; and said court shall call a jury of twelve to be summoned for the trial of said cause in the same manner as justice jurors are now sum-

moned and who shall be paid in the same manner as jurors in the superior court; provided the party requesting or moving for a jury as aforesaid, shall enter into a recognizance, with surety, to the adverse party in such sum as said court shall order, conditioned for the payment of all costs in case final judgment is rendered against him; each party shall have the right in such jury trial to challenge peremptorily one juror without showing any cause therefor; and all provisions of law concerning the summoning of talesmen before justices of the peace in such cases shall apply to said town court; and, whenever a trial by jury shall be had in said town court in any cause, no appeal shall be allowed to said court of common pleas, but in all cases in said town court wherein a jury trial is had, all appeals shall be taken to the supreme court of errors in the same manner as is now or may hereafter be provided for appeals from the superior court and court of common pleas to the supreme court of errors. All writs of error from the doings of said town court and all petitions for a new trial for causes determined before said town court, shall be brought to the court of common pleas for said county.

Approved June 24, 1921.

[House Bill No. 666]

[481.]

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE JUNIOR SCOUTS OF CONNECTICUT.

(Note. The above entitled act not having received the Governor's signature failed to become a special law.)

[Senate Bill No. 668]

[482.]

AN ACT DIVIDING THE TOWN OF ORANGE AND CREATING THE TOWN OF WEST HAVEN

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. All that part of the town of Orange which lies westerly of the easterly boundary line of the Orange Center School District as said line extends from a point on the boundary line between Orange and Woodbridge to a point on the boundary line between Orange and Milford; with all inhabitants residing within said limits, shall be and remain the town of Orange, and all that part of the present town of Orange lying easterly of said line, with all the inhabitants residing within said limits shall be and the same are hereby incorporated as a town by the name of the town of West Haven, with all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities and subject to all the duties and liabilities

of other towns of this state. Said town of West Haven shall, in addition to the foregoing, exercise all of the powers, authority and privileges and shall be subject to all of the obligations and duties heretofore conferred by the general assembly by any special act upon the town of Orange, and all such powers, authority and privileges, obligations and duties provided in any such special act shall not apply to or affect said town of Orange excepting as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 2. All of the public records of the town of Orange as heretofore existing, including all of the land records, shall be the property of said town of West Haven and shall be held in the custody of said town and said town of Orange as herein constituted shall pay to said town of West Haven its proportion according to the grand list of 1920 of all taxes now levied, and said town of Orange shall pay to said town of West Haven its proportion according to its grand list of 1920 of all debts existing against said town of Orange, and of all charges and expenses and of all contracts for which said town is now or shall hereafter be liable by force of any contract or claim now existing, provided said town shall each be liable for such proportion of any debt, charge, expense, claim or contract due or to become due specially pertaining to its territory or specially beneficial to the inhabitants or property within its limits as shall be determined by the selectmen of the town of West Haven and said town of Orange or by referees as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 3. Each of said towns shall maintain the poor born or belonging within the respective limits of said towns as herein defined.

SEC. 4. All rights, property and estate of whatever name, nature or description, except said public records and land records, heretofore owned by, due or heretofore belonging to the present town of Orange, or which may accrue to said town as heretofore existing by virtue of any claim, right or title now existing, shall be divided between said town of West Haven and the town of Orange as said towns are herein constituted in proportion to their respective lists according to the grand list of 1920, which division shall be made in the manner hereinafter provided.

SEC. 5. The town deposit fund shall be divided between said town of West Haven and said town of Orange in proportion to their respective inhabitants or in whatever manner may be agreed upon by said towns in the manner hereinafter provided and the number of paupers belonging to each town shall be ascertained and determined by the selectmen or a majority of them of said respective towns and if, after the election of officers of said town of Orange, as hereinafter provided, the selectmen of said towns of Orange and West Haven cannot agree in the division or distribution of the paupers, funds, deposit fund, property, obligations or any of the matters to be divided, distributed or settled between said towns within ninety days after the election of the selectmen of the town of Orange, the selectmen of either town may apply to the superior

court for New Haven county or any judge of the superior court for the appointment of a committee consisting of three disinterested freeholders, each of whom shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of his duties, to which committee shall be referred by said court or such judge the division, distribution or settlement of any such matter which the selectmen of said towns have been unable to agree upon, and such committee shall thereupon give notice to said towns of a time when and place where it shall hear said towns upon the matters referred to it and thereupon such committee shall make such division, distribution and settlement of such matters as may have been referred to it and report the same to said court or to such judge, and said court or such judge may approve such report and render judgment accordingly, or for any irregularity in the proceedings of such committee said court or such judge may disapprove such report and in the event any such report is disapproved, said court or such judge shall appoint another committee, which committee shall exercise the authority and discharge the duties herein provided for. The compensation and reasonable expenses of the members of the committee in discharging the duties herein provided for shall be paid by said towns according to their respective grand lists for the year 1920.

SEC. 6. Said town of West Haven and said town of Orange shall each constitute a part of the third congressional district, a part of the fourteenth senatorial district and a part of the probate district of New Haven, and the town of West Haven shall join with the town of Orange in the nomination and election of two members of the house of representatives.

SEC. 7. The electors of said town of Orange shall hold a meeting at the town hall at Orange center within sixty days after the passage of this act between the hours of six o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon, but the boxes for the reception of the ballots shall not be open after three o'clock in the afternoon and Wellington M. Andrew shall be moderator thereof, or in his absence or refusal to act, Irving A. Andrew shall act in his stead, and said Wellington M. Andrew and said Irving A. Andrew, or either of them, shall warn said meeting and all the inhabitants of said town of Orange who are legal voters in said town by posting a notice upon the signpost in said town and at any other places within the limits of said town as they, or either of them shall deem proper at least five days before such meeting and all electors residing within the limits of the town of Orange as herein defined shall be entitled to vote in said meeting and the list of the electors last completed for the second voting district of said town shall be the list used for the purposes of said meeting, provided the names of the electors residing within the limits of said town of Orange as herein constituted which appear on other lists of said town shall be added to the list of said second district, provided no elector who has lost his right to vote since the completion of said lists shall be

entitled to vote in said meeting, and shall elect a sufficient number of justices of the peace, and such justices who are elected and qualified shall hold office until the first Wednesday after the first Monday of January, 1923, and at such meeting shall also elect all necessary town officers as prescribed by the general statutes, who shall hold their respective offices until the first Monday of October, 1921, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

SEC. 8. The town officers elected in the town of Orange as heretofore existing residing within the limits of West Haven as herein constituted shall continue to hold their respective offices within and for the town of West Haven for the terms for which such officers were elected and the officers of said town of Orange as heretofore existing residing within that part of the town remaining the town of Orange shall hold their respective offices in such town as herein constituted until the meeting hereinbefore provided for. Any vacancy existing in any town office in the town of West Haven by reason of the passage of this act may be filled in the manner provided by law.

SEC. 9. The collector of taxes in the town of Orange as heretofore existing shall collect all taxes laid upon the list of 1920, which shall be apportioned in the manner hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 10. In the event that in the division or distribution of any of the funds, property or effects of the town, or in the settlement of any matters hereinbefore referred to or provided for it becomes impossible or impracticable to divide or distribute any of such funds or property or settle any such matter according to the grand list of said towns, the selectmen of said towns or the referees, as the case may be, may provide in such division or distribution for the payment of such sum from one town to the other as may effect a fair and equitable division, distribution or settlement.

SEC. 11. The name of the town court of Orange shall be the town court of West Haven and the jurisdiction of said court shall remain as now established excepting that the same shall be limited to the town of West Haven as herein established, provided no provisions of this act shall be construed so as to effect any action, civil or criminal, pending before said court at the time this act takes effect.

Approved June 24, 1921.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,

Hartford, September 1st, 1921.

I hereby certify that I have compared the printed copy in this pamphlet contained with the engrossed bills of Special Acts passed by the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut at the Special Sessions held September 14th and 21st, 1920, and at the January Session, 1921, and that the same is a correct copy of the Special Laws aforesaid as engrossed and on file in this office.

DONALD J. WARNER,

Secretary.

APPROPRIATIONS AND GRANTS FROM THE TREASURY

<i>To Whom Granted</i>	<i>For What Purpose</i>	<i>Amount</i>
	Special Session Sept. 14, 1920	
Expenses of Special Session Sept. 14, 1920	See Special Acts No. 1	\$ 2,500.00
	Special Sessions Sept. 21, 1920	
Connecticut Agricultural College. Expenses of Special Session Sept. 21, 1920	See Special Acts No. 1 " " " " 2	335,000.00 2,500.00
	JANUARY SESSION—1921	
Board of Control for Deficiency appropriation	See Special Acts No. 3	\$ 1,000,000.00
Henry Leffert	" " " " 63	300.00
Jacob I. Greenleaf	" " " " 73	231.00
Injured state employees	" " " " 75	5,000.00
Ezra G. Bill	" " " " 90	1,200.00
Motor Vehicle Department	" " " " 135	9,800.00
State Police Association	" " " " 141	1,000.00
Appropriation for Discharged Soldiers, Sailors and Marines	" " " " 142	50,000.00
Fort Griswold Tract Commission. Robert McBurney	" " " " 144 " " " " 147	5,000.00 600.00
Walter M. Pickett	" " " " 148	1,000.00
Schaghticoke Indians	" " " " 149	400.00
Support of State Trade Schools	" " " " 183	75,000.00
Hartford Hospital	" " " " 201	434.57
Yankauer & Davidson	" " " " 202	819.91
W. Fred Morin	" " " " 203	400.00
Richard Murray Brick Co. Norwich State Hospital (Fire Loss)	" " " " 204 " " " " 207	1,064.00 1,313.78
Charles C Cook	" " " " 210	2,250.00
Norwich State Hospital (Water Supply)	" " " " 215	150,000.00
Connecticut State Hospital at Middletown	" " " " 218	25,000.00
Public Utilities Commission (Pub- lic Service Vehicle Act)	" " " " 219	2,000.00
Improvement of Steamship Ter- minals	" " " " 227	50,000.00
Arnon A. Alling	" " " " 264	1,000.00
State Army, Branford	" " " " 299	25,000.00
William Briggs	" " " " 305	500.00
Board of Control, Additional Ap- propriation	" " " " 324	1,000,000.00
Armory Grounds, Torrington	" " " " 326	1,190.00
Louis Katzman	" " " " 327	700.00
Fairfield County Bar Library	" " " " 332	1,000.00
Gustave Fischer Company	" " " " 333	227.42
Connecticut Industrial School for Girls	" " " " 336	28,000.00
Danielson & Plainfield Gas & Electric Co. (Tax Refund)	" " " " 373	1,586.03
Charles A. Schoonover	" " " " 387	2,500.00
Fitch's Home for Soldiers	" " " " 388	1,500.00

<i>To Whom Granted</i>	<i>For What Purpose</i>				<i>Amount</i>
State Normal School, Willimantic (Heating Plant)	"	"	"	398	10,000.00
Charles Rich (Burial Expenses)	"	"	"	389	50.00
Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co. (Trustee)	"	"	"	403	11,428.29
Connecticut School for boys (Sundry Expenses)	"	"	"	406	17,900.00
Care of discharged Soldiers, Sailors and Marines	"	"	"	407	200,000.00
Connecticut Reformatory	"	"	"	412	60,000.00
State Tuberculosis Commission	"	"	"	414	175,300.00
Mansfield State Training School	"	"	"	416	65,000.00
State Normal School, New Britain (Building Purposes)	"	"	"	418	750,000.00
Norwich State Hospital (Sundry Expenses)	"	"	"	419	50,000.00
State Farm for Women	"	"	"	420	22,000.00
American School at Hartford for the Deaf	"	"	"	422	250,000.00
Commission for improvement of State Departments and Commissions	"	"	"	435	5,000.00
Commission to purchase additional property at State Capitol	"	"	"	437	375,000.00
Trunk Line and Federal Aid Roads	"	"	"	438	1,900,000.00
Connecticut Agricultural College (Expenses)	"	"	"	439	135,000.00
A. D. Ambrosio	"	"	"	440	1,884.82
Payment of deferred claims against the state	"	"	"	443	8,563.39
Elizabeth N. Case	"	"	"	442	(as specified)
Connecticut Public Library Commission	"	"	"	444	3,000.00
Celebration of 300th Anniversary of the Landing of the Pilgrims	"	"	"	451	5,000.00
Motor Vehicle Department (Gasoline Tax)	"	"	"	458	48,000.00
Additional Appropriation for Board of Control	"	"	"	459	370,000.00
Einor Skogstad	"	"	"	462	1,311.36
Trunk Line Highway from North Grosvenordale to Mechanicsville	"	"	"	463	60,000.00
State Farm for Inebriates	"	"	"	464	5,000.00
Norwich State Hospital (New Building)	"	"	"	465	250,000.00
Part of expenses of Washington Bridge & Mystic River Bridge	"	"	"	469	577,000.00
Groton Monument Association	"	"	"	470	5,500.00
Connecticut State Hospital (Equipment)	"	"	"	471	325,000.00
Relief of Needy Blind Persons	"	"	"	472	20,000.00
Connecticut State Hospital (Building repairs)	"	"	"	473	90,000.00
State Armories	"	"	"	474	29,000.00

<i>To Whom Granted</i>	<i>For What Purpose</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Instruction of Adult Blind	" " " " 475	10,000.00
Connecticut Industrial Schools for Girls	" " " " 476	70,357.63
State Comptroller-Uniform System of Accounting	See Public Acts Chapter 6	3,000.00
Dairy & Food Commissioner (License Refunds)	" " " " 103	3,114.50
Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station (Research Tobacco Growing)	" " " " 184	10,000.00
Newington Home for Crippled Children (Erection of Buildings)	" " " " 254	300,000.00
State Agent (Support of Persons in State Institutions)	" " " " 275	10,000.00
State Board of Agriculture (Exhibit at Eastern States' Industrial and Agricultural Exposition at Springfield, Mass.)	" " " " 304	2,000.00 (Annually)
Highway Commissioner (State Highways)	" " " " 357	6,000.00
Connecticut Reformatory (Industrial Fund)	" " " " 362	50,000.00
Connecticut Humane Society	" " " " 363	4,000.00 (Annually)
Society into which the Connecticut Poultrymen's Association and the Poultry Breeders' Society merged	" " " " 384	2,000.00
Senate Orders		
W. Arthur Countryman, Jr.	Contingent expenses as Clerk of Senate	169.84
Albert A. Gorham	Services as messenger to Committee on Judiciary	100.00
House Orders		
James F. Walsh	Organizing the House	50.00
Nehemiah Candee	Expenses of Committee on Humane Institutions	96.91
Charles E. Lord	Distribution of Mail	600.00
George Meskill	Preparing Chart for Hall of the House	97.00
Thomas C. Flood	Defending Seat in House	143.03
Henry H. Hunt	Defending Seat in House	124.78
Joint Orders		
Louis B. Rosenfeld	Expenses of Committee on Claims	20.00
Edward H. Bailey	Expenses of Committee on Fish and Game	42.92
Clarence G. Willard	Compiling Legislative Bulletin	1,200.00
Milo C. Griffin	Compiling List of Bills	500.00
Leo J. Noonan	Indexing Senate Journal	150.00
Fred W. Hurley	Compiling Pocket Manual and Roll	400.00
Joint Special Committee on Civil Administration Code.	Expenses in carrying out provisions of act creating said committee	(not to exceed) 2,000.00

<i>To Whom Granted</i>	<i>For What Purpose</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Archibald Macdonald, Sr.	Expenses of Committee on Roads, Bridges and Rivers	150.00
Edward F. Hall	Expenses of Committee on Appropriations	950.00

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

State Board of Examiners of Embalmers.

William Henry Allen, Norwich.
James J. Lenehan, Hartford.

[For term of three years from July 1, 1921.]

Commissioners of the Fort Griswold Tract.

Sara T. Kinney, Hartford.
Betsy B. Larrabee, Groton.
George S. Palmer, New London.
H. Wales Lines, Meriden.
Mrs. Adrian J. Mussy, Bristol.
Ernest E. Rogers, New London.
Lucius F. Robinson, Hartford.

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

Members of Board of Examination and Registration of Nurses.

Martha J. Wilkinson, Hartford.

[For term of three years from July 1, 1921.]

Marian Turbrick, Derby.

[For unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1923.]

Shell Fish Commissioner.

William H. Brown, Bridgeport.

[For term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

State Tuberculosis Commission.

Arthur R. Kimball, Waterbury.

[For the term of six years from July 1, 1921.]

Harbor Masters.

George P. Merritt, Hartford.

[For term of three years ending May 2, 1924.]

Edward P. Avery, New Haven.

[For term of three years ending May 6, 1924.]

Walter W. Hubbell, Stratford.
 G. Ellsworth Meech, Middletown.
 Oscar F. Pendleton, Stonington.
 Charles W. Raymond, Greenwich.

[Each for term of three years ending June 29, 1924.]

Daniel B. Perry, Milford.

[For term of three years ending June 2, 1924.]

Herman Jackel, Jr., Norwich.

[For term of three years ending August 2, 1924.]

Edward B. Palmer, Stamford.

[For term of three years ending February 15, 1925.]

Francis W. Morgan, Noank.

[For term of three years ending February 25, 1925.]

Frederick S. Perry, New London.

[For term of three years ending July 2, 1925.]

Deputy Harbor Masters.

Robert L. Burtch, Stonington.

[For term of three years ending June 23, 1924.]

Members of State Board of Education of the Blind.

Marian Feuchtwanger, New Haven.

Edward M. Day, Hartford.

[For term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Member of Board of Veterinary Registration and Examination.

Peter T. Keeley, Waterbury.

[For term of five years from July 1, 1921.]

Dental Commissioner.

Frederick T. Murlless, Jr., Hartford.

[For term of five years from July 1, 1921.]

State Board of Voting Machine Commissioners.

Henry M. Snell, Saybrook.

George E. Bicknell, Meriden.

Alvan Waldo Hyde, Hartford.

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

Board of Examiners of Barbers.

Edward H. Landers, Waterbury.
 Albert H. Hartenstein, Vernon.
 Alphonse Bordeau, Plainville.

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

State Board of Osteopathic Registration and Examination.

Louis C. Kingsbury, Hartford.
 H. A. Thornbury, Bridgeport.
 Eugene C. Link, Stamford.

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

State Chemists.

James A. Newlands, Hartford.
 Henry L. Borg, Stamford.
 William T. Cutter, East Lyme.

[Each for term of two years ending June 8, 1923.]

E. M. Bailey, New Haven.

[For term of two years ending August 4, 1923.]

State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

G. Hunt Wilbur, Ansonia.

[For term of three years from June 18, 1921.]

Directors of Connecticut School for Women.

Anna Rogers Minor, Waterford.

[For term of seven years ending July 1, 1928.]

Members of Public Health Council.

C. E. A. Winslow, New Haven.
 S. B. Overlock, Pomfret.

[Each for term of six years from July 1, 1921.]

James W. Knox, Hartford.

[For unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1923.]

Commissioner of Pharmacy.

J. W. Marsland, New Britain.

[For term of five years from June 1, 1921.]

Prosecuting Officers of Connecticut Humane Society.

Richard T. Higgins, Winsted.
Olayton B. Smith, New London.

[Each for term of two years from January 14, 1921.]

Stephen F. Dunn, New Haven.
[For term of two years from June 1, 1921.]

William H. Cable, Danbury.
[For term of two years from July 6, 1921.]

Member Soldiers' Hospital Board.

Andrew Gordon, Enfield.
[For term of two years from March 8, 1921.]

Shell Fish Board of Relief.

Harry R. Sherwood, Westport.
[For term of six years from July 1, 1921.]

State Board of Finance.

Byron D. Bugbee, Putnam.
[For the unexpired portion of the term ending first Monday in January, 1925.]

Commissioners of the Israel Putnam Memorial Camp Ground.

Robert S. Alexander, Danbury.
Nathan Spiro, Danbury.
Mrs. Seth Low Pierpont, Ridgefield.
Arthur T. Dunham, Bethel.
Mrs. Cornelius Judd, Bethel.
Albert A. Gorham, Redding.
Hugh C. McCollam, Redding.

[For term of two years ending July 1, 1923.]

State Board of Education.

Charles L. Ames, Hartford.
Frederick S. Jones, New Haven.
William Arnold Shanklin, Middletown.

[For term of six years from July 1, 1921.]

Trustees for Connecticut Hospital for Insane.

Henry H. Lyman, Middlefield.
 Alvan W. Hyde, Hartford.
 William W. Wilcox, Middletown.
 Walter W. Norton, Lakeville.

[For term of four years ending July 1, 1925.]

Charles C. Gildersleeve, Norwich.
 Fred D. Jordan, Willimantic.
 George Forster, Rockville.
 Frank B. Weeks, Middletown.

[For term of six years ending July 1, 1927.]

Trustees for Norwich State Hospital.

Arthur F. Libby, Norwich.
 Rollin S. Woodruff, New Haven.
 Costello Lippitt, Norwich.
 Howard P. Mansfield, Ridgefield.

[For term of six years from July 1, 1921.]

State Athletic Commission.

Thomas E. Donohue, New London.

[For term of one year from July 1, 1921.]

Frank J. Murphy, Hartford.

[For term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

Moses King, New Haven.

[For term of three years from July 1, 1921.]

*Commission to Purchase an addition to the Grounds
of the State Capitol.*

Morgan B. Brainard, Hartford.

A. Heaton, Robertson, New Haven.

Trustees of Mystic Oral School for Deaf.

Frederick I. Denison, Stonington.

Mary J. Dickinson, Stonington.

[For term of one year from July 1, 1921.]

F. Ballentine Chappell, New London.

Henry R. Palmer, Stonington.

[For term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

Louis M. Allyn, Groton.

Charles E. Wheeler, Stonington.

[For term of three years from July 1, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF BRIDGEPORT.

Judge, William B. Boardman, Bridgeport.

Deputy Judge, Arthur M. Comley, Bridgeport.

[Until the third Wednesday of the next session of the General Assembly and until his successor is appointed and qualified.]

Board of Directors of Long Lane Farm.

Rosemary O. Anderson, New London.

Walter G. Cady, Middletown.

Walter H. Clark, Hartford.

George A. Craig, Middletown.

Arthur R. Kimball, Waterbury.

James P. Murphy, Middletown.

E. Hershey Sneath, New Haven.

William W. Wilcox, Middletown.

Mrs. Grace M. Schenck, Wilton.

[Each for term ending July 1, 1922.]

Commission Concerning the Advisability of Uniform Town, City and Borough Charters.

Arthur E. Bowers, Manchester.

Howard S. Challenger, Bridgeport.

Kenneth Wynne, New Haven.

Ernest E. Rogers, New London.

Gustaf B. Carlson, Middletown.

Commission to Consider and Report on the Improvements of the Organization of State Departments, Commissions and Boards.

John M. Wadhams, Torrington.

John M. Brooks, Torrington.

Thomas W. Russell, Hartford.

Frederick S. Chamberlain, New Britain.

John Day Jackson, New Haven.

Commission on Development of New Haven Harbor.

Frederick L. Ford, New Haven.

George W. Seymour, New Haven.

Edward Gagel, New Haven.

Charles G. Bill, Hartford.

Waldo E. Clarke, New London.

Soldiers' Hospital Board.

Charles F. Beck, Stamford.

[For the term of two years from July 20, 1921.]

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS WITH ADVICE AND CONSENT
OF THE SENATE.*Tax Commissioner.*

William H. Blodgett, Winchester.

[For term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

Robbins B. Stoeckel, Norfolk.

[For term of four years from June 1, 1921.]

State Board of Agriculture.

William Spaulding, Norfolk.

Philo T. Platt, Newtown.

[Each for unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1923.]

Wilson H. Lee, Orange.

Charles E. Beach, West Hartford.

[Each for term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Commissioners of Rivers, Harbors and Bridges.

P. Leroy Harwood, New London.

Thomas I. Kinney, New Haven.

[Each for term of six years from July 1, 1921.]

Harbor Commissioners for New Haven Harbor.

Henry B. Harrison Hurd, New Haven.

[For term of five years from July 1, 1921.]

Edward P. Avery, New Haven.

[For term of five years from July 1, 1922.]

Members of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration.

George L. Fox, New Haven.

Patrick F. O'Meara, New Haven.

Edward W. Broder, Hartford.

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

Members of the State Park Commission.

John E. Calhoun, Cornwall.

Fayette L. Wright, Pomfret.

[Each for term of six years from Sept. 1, 1921.]

Directors of the Connecticut Reformatory.

Louis R. Cheney, Hartford.

[For unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1921 and for term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Frederick M. Adler, New Haven.

[For unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1923.]

Charles Hopkins Clark, Hartford.

John P. Elton, Waterbury.

[Each for term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Directors of State Prison.

Edwin P. Root, New Haven.

[For unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1921, and for term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Willie O. Burr, Hartford.

Frank C. Sumner, Hartford.

[Each for term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Trustees of the Mansfield State Training School and Hospital.

L. P. Waldo Marvin, Hartford.

[For term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

William O'Connor, Norfolk.

Nathan D. Prince, Killingly.

[Each for term of four years from July 1, 1922.]

Members of the Board of Pardons.

David S. Day, Bridgeport.

[For unexpired portion of term ending first Monday of June 1923.]

S. B. Overlock, Pomfret.

Lewis Sperry, South Windsor.

[Each for term of four years from first Monday in June, 1921.]

Consulting Physician at the Connecticut State Prison.

Frederick T. Simpson, Hartford.

[For unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1921 and for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

Member of Shell-Fish Commission.

William H. Brown, Bridgeport.

[For term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Members of the State Board of Charities.

Martha H. C. Mitchell, Norwich.

Mary A. Wise, Hartford.

George C. F. Williams, Hartford.

[Each for term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

SENATE APPOINTMENTS

Trustees for Connecticut School for Boys.

Charles B. Buckingham, Watertown.

[For unexpired portion of term ending June 30, 1923.]

Frank L. Wilcox, Berlin.

Milton Feasenden, Stamford.

Edward E. King, East Hartford.

Charles F. Rockwell, Meriden.

William T. May, New London.

[Each for term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

Trustee of Bacon Academy.

Elizabeth B. Bigelow, Colchester.

[For unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1923.]

Non-Resident Trustee of Bacon Academy.

Sylvina C. Norton, Colchester.

[To fill vacancy.]

GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENTS

ON NOMINATION OF THE GOVERNOR.

Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of Errors and Judges of the Superior Court.

John K. Beach, New Haven.

[For term of eight years from February 21, 1921.]

Lucien F. Burpee, Hartford.

[For term of eight years from April 27, 1921.]

John E. Keeler, Stamford.

[For term of eight years from August 30, 1922.]

Judges of the Superior Court.

L. P. Waldo Marvin, Hartford.

[For term of eight years from May 3, 1921.]

Allyn L. Brown, Norwich.

[For term of eight years from August 31, 1921.]

Newell Jennings, Bristol.

[For term of eight years from August 30, 1922.]

James H. Webb, Hamden.

[For term of eight years from November 23, 1922.]

Judges of the Court of Common Pleas.

HARTFORD COUNTY.

Edwin C. Dickenson, Hartford.

[For term of four years from February 16, 1921.]

Associate Judge.

Thomas J. Molloy, Hartford.

[For term of four years from March 6, 1921.]

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

Charles B. Waller, New London.

[For term of four years from February 2, 1921.]

FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

CRIMINAL SIDE.

John J. Walsh, Norwalk.

[For term of four years from July 1, 1921.]

CIVIL SIDE.

John R. Booth, Danbury.

[For term of four years from September 1, 1921.]

LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

James P. Woodruff, Litchfield.

[For term of four years from September 23, 1922.]

*District Court of Waterbury.**Judge*, Frederick M. Peasley, Cheshire.*Deputy Judge*, Walter D. Makepeace, Waterbury.

[Each for term of four years from March 25, 1923.]

CITY COURT OF NEW HAVEN.

Judge, Samuel E. Hoyt.*Judge*, Jacob Caplan.

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

Members of the Public Utilities Commission.

Joseph W. Alsop, Avon.

[For unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1925.]

Charles C. Elwell, New Haven.

[For term of six years from July 1, 1921.]

GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENTS.

Judges of City, Borough and Town Courts.

CITY COURT OF ANSONIA.

*Judge, Robert L. Munger.**Deputy Judge, Milton C. Isbell.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF BRIDGEPORT.

*Deputy Judge, E. Earle Garlick.**

[For term of two years from July 1, 1921.] ..

CITY COURT OF BRISTOL.

*Judge, William J. Malone.**Deputy Judge, Samuel Russell Mink.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in May, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF DANBURY.

Judge, J. Moss Ives.

[For term of two years from June 3, 1921.]

Associate Judge, Samuel A. Davis.

[For term of two years from May 29, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF DERBY. ..

*Judge, Alfred C. Baldwin.**Deputy Judge, Alfred H. Kely.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD.

Recorder, Herbert S. Bullard.

[For term of two years from the first Monday in June, 1921.]

CITY POLICE COURT OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD.

*Judge, Alexander W. Creedon.**Judge, Solomon Elsner.*

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

CITY AND POLICE COURT OF MERIDEN.

*Judge, Thomas P. Dunne.**Deputy Judge, George L. King.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF MIDDLETOWN.

*Judge, S. Harris Warner.**Associate Judge, Carl F. Anderson.*[Each for unexpired portion of term ending the first Monday in April, 1921,
and for term of two years from the first Monday in April, 1921.]

*Resigned July 6, 1921.

CITY AND POLICE COURT OF NEW BRITAIN.

*Judge, George W. Klett.**Assistant Judge, Benjamin W. Alling.*

[Each for unexpired portion of term ending the first Monday in July, 1921,
and for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

CITY AND POLICE COURT OF NEW LONDON.

*Judge, S. Victor Prince.**Assistant Judge, Lewis Crandall.*

[Each for unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1921, and for term of two
years from July 1, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF NORWALK.

*Judge, First Taxing District, Nehemiah Candee.**Judge, Second Taxing District, George H. Vosburgh.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Friday in June, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF NORWICH.

*Judge, Arthur F. Libby.**Deputy Judge, Henry H. Pettis*

[Each for term of two years from the first day of July, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF PUTNAM.

*Judge, Mahlon H. Geissler.**Deputy Judge, Archibald Macdonald, Jr.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in January, 1922.]

CITY COURT OF ROCKVILLE.

*Judge, John E. Fisk.**Associate Judge, John E. Fahey.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in March, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF SHELTON.

Judge, Joseph G. Shapiro.

[For unexpired portion of term ending June 1, 1921, and for term of two years
from the first Monday in June, 1921.]

Deputy Judge, George S. Willis.

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in April, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF STAMFORD.

*Judge, Samuel Young.**Deputy Judge, James E. Brinckerhoff.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in April, 1921.]

CITY COURT OF WATERBURY.

*Judge, John F. McGrath.**Judge, William J. Larkin, Jr.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in May, 1921.]

POLICE COURT OF WILLIMANTIC.

*Judge, Frank H. Foss.**Deputy Judge, Curtis Dean.*

[Each for term of two years from May 16, 1921.]

BOROUGH COURT OF FARMINGTON.

*Judge, Lawrence A. Howard.**Deputy Judge, Maurice F. Rourke.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday of July, 1921.]

BOROUGH COURT OF GREENWICH.

*Judge, James R. Mead.**Deputy Judge, William J. Ferris.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday of June, 1921.]

BOROUGH COURT OF NAUGATUCK.

*Judge, Frank A. Sears.**Deputy Judge, Harry H. Schofield.*

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

BOROUGH COURT OF STAFFORD SPRINGS.

*Judge, William H. Heald.**Deputy Judge, Ernest K. Taft.*

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

BOROUGH COURT OF TORRINGTON.

*Judge, Bernard E. Higgins.**Deputy Judge, George H. Atkins.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

BOROUGH COURT OF UNIONVILLE.

*Judge, Robert E. Taft.**Deputy Judge, William C. Duff.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

BOROUGH COURT OF WALLINGFORD.

Judge, Oswin H. D. Fowler.

[For term of two years from the first Monday in June, 1921.]

Deputy Judge, Henry L. Davis.

[For term of two years from the first Monday in April, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF BERLIN.

*Judge, George G. Griswold.**Deputy Judge, Ernest W. Mildrum.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF BRANFORD.

*Judge, Edwin R. Kelsey.**Deputy Judge, Louis B. Zacher.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF EAST HARTFORD.

*Judge, Levi P. M. Hickey.**Deputy Judge, Samuel N. Brainard.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in June, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF ENFIELD.

Judge, Guy F. Bushnell.

[For term of two years from the first Monday in May, 1921.]

Deputy Judge, Charles J. Fowler.

[For term of two years from May 20, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF FAIRFIELD.

*Judge, Jonathan Grout.**Associate Judge, Clarence R. Hall.*

[Each for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF GRISWOLD.

*Judge, Arthur M. Brown.**Deputy Judge, Frank E. Robinson.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF GROTON.

*Judge, Cornelius C. Costello.**Deputy Judge, C. Tyler Landphere.*

[Each for unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1921, and for term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF HAMDEN.

Judge, Charles E. Currie,

[For term of two years from June 3, 1921.]

Deputy Judge, Leon A. Drake.

[For term of two years from May 28, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF KILLINGLY.

*Judge, Wm. Fenner Woodward.**Deputy Judge, Charles S. Francis*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in May, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF MANCHESTER.

*Judge, Raymond A. Johnson.**Deputy Judge, Robert E. Carney.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF MILFORD.

*Judge, Jervis D. Brown, Jr.**Deputy Judge, George J. Smith.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF NEW MILFORD.

Judge, George H. Jackson.

[For the term of two years from July 1, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF ORANGE.

Judge, Henry A. L. Hall.

[For unexpired portion of term ending May 28, 1921, and for term of two years from May 28, 1921.]

Deputy Judge, Edwin A. Smith.

[For term of two years from June 3, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF SOUTHLINGTON.

*Judge, Thomas F. Welch.**Deputy Judge, James F. McPartland.*

[Each for term of two years from the first day of July, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF STONINGTON.

*Judge, Frank H. Hinckley.**Deputy Judge, Lorenzo D. Fairbrother.*

[Each for term of two years from June 3, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF STRATFORD.

*Judge, Frank E. Blakeman.**Deputy Judge, George Bateman.*

[For unexpired portion of term ending the first Monday in July, 1921, and for the term of two years from the first Monday in July, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF WINCHESTER.

Judge, Frank W. Seymour.

[For term of two years from the first Monday in June, 1921.]

TOWN COURT OF WINDSOR LOCKS.

*Judge, Thomas P. Noonan.**Deputy Judge, Thomas W. Farrell.*

[Each for term of two years from the first Monday in June, 1921.]

County Commissioners.

HARTFORD COUNTY.

Edwin W. Schultz, New Britain.

[For term of four years from October 1, 1921.]

NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

Frederick L. Gaylord, Ansonia.

[For term of four years from October 1, 1921.]

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

George H. Bradford, Montville.

[For term of four years from October 1, 1921.]

FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Henry P. Crawford, Greenwich.

[For term of four years from October 1, 1921.]

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Edgar H. Corttis, Thompson.

[For term of four years from October 1, 1921.]

LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

John H. Lancaster, Litchfield.

[For term of four years from October 1, 1921.]

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Hubert C. Hodge, East Hampton.

[For unexpired portion of term ending October 1, 1923.]

William H. Smith, Old Saybrook.

[For term of four years from October 1, 1921.]

TOLLAND COUNTY.

William L. Higgins, Coventry.

[For unexpired portion of term ending October 1, 1921, and for term of four years from October 1, 1921.]

Auditor of Public Accounts.

Lewis W. Phelps, Andover.

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[For the next two years ensuing.]

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Francis Parsons, Hartford.

H. Siddons Mowbray, Washington.

[Each for unexpired portion of term ending July 1, 1925.]

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John H. Thacher, Hartford.

Henry J. Seeley, Bridgeport.

[To fill vacancies.]

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