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period of time; *Provided*, that said period shall not extend beyond the age of twenty-one years, in males; nor beyond the age of eighteen years, or the marriage of females, under the age of eighteen years. And such contract may be made upon such terms as shall be mutually agreed upon between said corporation and the party contracting with them; *Provided*, such contract shall be sanctioned or approved by the judge of probate for the probate district of New Haven, at the time of making such contract.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have power to hold and enjoy real estate in this state, in addition to the lands and buildings actually used or occupied by them free from taxation to any amount; *Provided*, the annual income from the same shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars; and provided, also, such income shall, from time to time, be actually appropriated to objects of charity connected with said corporation.

ALTERING CHARTER OF NEW HAVEN WATER COMPANY.

Upon the petition of the "New Haven Water Company," praying for an alteration of their charter—

Resolved by this Assembly, That the New Haven Water Company be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to increase their capital stock to a sum not exceeding four hundred and fifty thousand dollars; which increase of capital stock may be received according to the provisions of section 2d of the act incorporating said company, passed May session, A. D. 1849.

SEC. 2. Said company are hereby authorized and empowered, whenever the directors shall deem it expedient for the execution or completion of their works, to borrow money at a rate not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, and to secure the payment of the same by their bonds, made payable in the currency of the United States, with

the corporate seal of said company attached thereto, and signed by their president, and countersigned by their treasurer, with or without coupons or certificates of interest, due at the end of every six months, attached thereto; and such bonds, before being issued, registered in the office of the comptroller of public accounts; and a certificate thereof shall appear on the face of each bond, and the comptroller shall, upon the application of the company, cancel any bonds so by him registered, which may be brought to him for that purpose, and shall enter said act of canceling in his register. And to secure the payment of said bonds, said company may, by a vote of the stockholders, at a meeting called for that purpose, mortgage their property, or any part thereof, and their rights and franchises, by deed duly executed by their president, under their corporate seal, to trustees therein prescribed, in trust for the holders of the bonds of said company issued, or which may be issued from time to time, not exceeding the amount herein specified under the limitations hereinafter contained; and said company shall be allowed, as may be provided in said mortgage, to retain possession of the property so mortgaged, whether personal or real, without presumption of fraud; provided that no bonds so issued by said company shall be for a less sum than one hundred dollars, and provided the amount of bonds so issued shall not exceed, at any time, fifty per cent. of the amount of bona fide capital stock, subscribed for and actually paid in and invested by said company. The evidence of which shall be the president and secretary of said company, under oath or affirmation, to the amount of such subscription; and that the same is bona fide, and has been paid in and invested in the works of said company; which subscription and acknowledgment of said oath or affirmation appended thereto, shall be filed in the office of the comptroller of the state. And any person who shall knowingly take any false oath or affirmation, under the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of perjury and punished accordingly. And said company are hereby empowered to sell, dispose of and negotiate such bonds or obligations, for such prices and on such terms as said company may deem proper.

SEC. 3. Said corporation are hereby authorized to change the bed or course of such highway or highways as may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of building or erecting their reservoirs; and they are hereby authorized and empowered to take and occupy such land as may be necessary to change the line of such highway or highways, in accordance with the provisions of the ninth section of the act passed May session, A. D. 1849, incorporating said Company.

Provided, that before said company shall alter or change the line of such highway or highways, the consent of any corporation or corporations, [county commissioners,] owning or having an interest in such highway, shall be first had and obtained.

SEC. 4. This resolution may be altered, amended, or repealed at the pleasure of the general assembly.

AUTHORIZING TRINITY CHURCH IN PORTLAND, TO SUBSCRIBE TO ADDITIONAL STOCK OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY BANK.

Upon the petition of the Ecclesiastical Society, known as Trinity Church, located in Portland, in Middlesex county, Connecticut, showing to this assembly that said society, by the donations of sundry individuals, have a fund for the support of the ministry in said church, amounting to more than ten thousand dollars; that they have already, in accordance with the provisions of the eighth section of the act incorporating "The President, Directors and Company of the Middlesex County Bank," subscribed five thousand dollars of said fund to the capital of said bank, and desire to subscribe five thousand dollars more of the said fund, to the capital stock of said bank, that the amount of privileged subscriptions to the capital of said bank, allowed by the eighth section thereof, is not equal to the amount which said bank are bound by law to receive, by more than five thousand dollars, and praying for permission to