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refuse to do the duty of collector of such district, it shall be lawful for the inhabitants thereof to elect another at a special meeting called for that purpose.

Duties of directors—care of school-houses, etc.

SEC. 5. That the directors of common schools are hereby authorized and required to take charge of the school houses within their respective districts; and the said directors, or a majority of them, are hereby empowered to prosecute, in their own names, before any court having jurisdiction, for any injury committed or hereafter to be committed upon the school house of the district to which they belong, or to the appurtenances; and all damages which may be recovered by virtue of this section shall be paid into the treasury of the district for the use of the district.

Incorporated academies exempt from taxation.

Exemptions of teachers, etc.

SEC. 6. That the property, real and personal, belonging to any incorporated academy or common school, now or hereafter to be established or incorporated, shall be exempt from taxation; and the members and instructors of any school or academy, while attending the same, shall be exempt from serving on juries, and from military duty in time of peace.

Approved March 2, 1831.

AN ACT to aid the raising of Sheep.

Sheep exempt from taxation. Be it enacted by the Legislative Council of the Territory of Michigan, That all sheep shall be excluded from the valuation of property for the assessment and collection of taxes, and the owner or possessor of any sheep in this Territory shall not be assessed for any sheep which such owner or possessor may have in this Territory.

Approved March 2, 1831.

AN ACT to incorporate the Hydraulic Company of the city of Detroit.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The common council of the city of Detroit did, by ordinances passed respectively on the third day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, and the twenty-ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty, grant to Rufus Wells, Phineas Davis, Jr., Lucius Lyon, and Anson E. Hathon, certain powers, as a company, for the purpose of enabling them to supply said city of Detroit with water; and it having been shown that E. P. Hastings has acquired the interest of Rufus Wells in said company.

Corporators.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Council of the Territory of Michigan, That E. P. Hastings, Lucius Lyon, P. Davis, Jr., and A. E. Hathon, and such persons as they may associate with them, be and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic, by the name of the "Detroit Hydraulic Company," with all the rights, powers and privileges incident by law to corporations, consistently with the laws of this Territory, and with the resolutions,

Name of corporation.

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conditions and exceptions contained in the ordinances aforesaid, of the common council of the city of Detroit, and not inconsistent Franchises. with the limitations hereinafter contained.

SEC. 2. That said company shall have authority to create a capi- Capital stock. tal stock of twenty thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, subject to such regulations as said company

by their by-laws may impose.

SEC. 3. That the concerns of said company shall be managed by Directors—powthree directors, one of whom shall be the president of said company, who shall be elected at such times and in such manner, and perform such duties as said company may by their by-laws prescribe.

SEC. 4. That the shares in the capital stock of said company Stock to be pershall be considered personal estate, and transferable in such manner as said company by their by-laws may prescribe.

Approved March 2, 1631.

AN ACT to establish an Academy in the county of Oakland.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Council of the Territory of Mich- Academy to be established. igan, That there shall be established in the village of Auburn, in the county of Oakland, an academy for the purpose of educating. youth, the style, name, and title whereof shall be, and are hereby declared to be as is hereinafter mentioned and defined; and the Trustoes. said academy shall be under the direction, management, and government of seven trustees; and Benjamin Phelps, Steven V. R. Trowbridge, Elizur Goodrich, Ezra S. Park, Reuben Woodford, Seth Beach, and George Hornell, shall be and are hereby appointed the first trustees; all vacancies which may occur from time to time, Vacancies, etc. shall be supplied by the remaining trustees; and the said board of trustees shall have the power to increase their number to any number not exceeding thirteen. The manner of filling vacancies, and of increasing the number of trustees, shall be voting by ballot; and the person receiving a majority of all the votes given, shall be considered elected.

SEC. 2. That the said trustees and their successors shall hereaf- Body politic, ter be, and they are hereby established and declared a body politic etc. and corporate, with perpetual succession in deed and in law, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, by the name, style, and title of "The Trustees of Auburn Academy," by which name and title, Name. they and their successors shall be capable, at law and in equity, of suing and being sued, holding property, real, personal, and mixed, Franchises. of buying and selling, and otherwise lawfully disposing of property, and shall have power to make and use a common seal, and to alter the same at their pleasure; and in case said number is increased as aforesaid, any number nearest two-thirds of the whole number, shall be a quorum to transact business.

SEC. 3. That it shall and may be lawful, to and for the said trust- Use of property. ees, from time to time, to apply such part of their estate and funds in such manner as they may think most conducive to the promo-