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## CHAPTER 2030.

## AN ACT to incorporate the Mechanics Steam Mills.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened,* That Thomas H. Cushing, Samuel Downing, John S. Hascall and Simon L. Hartford, their associates, successors and assigns, shall be and hereby are constituted a corporation by the name of the Mechanics Steam Mills, and shall be and hereby are vested with all the privileges and powers which by law are incident to manufacturing corporations.

SEC. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to carry on the manufacturing of such articles as are usually made from wool, cotton, flax, wood or timber, iron, steel, and machinery for such purposes, and the grinding of grain and plaster, at the city of Dover, in the county of Strafford, and may purchase, take, hold, improve, sell and convey real and personal estate, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. The first two of said grantees may call the first meeting of the members of said corporation by giving notice thereof in some newspaper published in Dover, at least one week previous to said meeting.

SEC. 4. The legislature may alter, amend or repeal this act whenever in their opinion the public good requires it.

Approved, June 27, 1857.

## CHAPTER 2031.

## AN ACT to incorporate the Keene Aqueduct Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened, as follows :*

SECTION 1. William B. Wheeler, Charles Faulkner, George H. Richards, William Dinsmore, Selden F. White, Thomas H. Leverett, Henry Pond and Daniel Buss, their associates, successors and assigns, shall be and hereby are made a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Keene Aqueduct Company, for the purpose of bringing fresh water into the compact part of the village of Keene, in subterraneous pipes, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and are hereby vested with all the powers, and subject to all the liabilities incident to corporations of a similar nature.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of such number of shares not exceeding in amount forty thousand dollars, as said corporation may from time to time determine. The annual meeting of the members or stockholders of said corporation shall be holden at the time and place prescribed by the by-laws, at which meeting not less than three nor more than seven directors shall be chosen by ballot. The directors may call special meetings of the stockholders when they shall deem it expedient, giving such notice as the corporation by their by-laws shall prescribe. The three first named persons in this act, or either of them, may call the first meeting of the corporation, by a notice published two weeks successively in two newspapers published in Keene aforesaid, at which meeting associates may be admitted, by-laws adopted, and a president and clerk, and such other officers and agents as may be deemed necessary to carry into effect the object of this act, may be chosen.

SEC. 3. The said corporation is hereby empowered to purchase and hold in fee simple or otherwise, any real estate necessary for carrying into effect the objects of this act, not exceeding in value twenty thousand dollars; and the said corporation is hereby authorized to enter upon and break up ground, and dig ditches in any street, highway or common through which it may be necessary for said aqueduct to pass, for the purpose of placing such pipes as may be necessary for building and completing said aqueduct, (the consent of the selectmen having been first obtained) and to relay and repair the same, subject to such regulations as to the safety of the citizens and the security of the public travel, as may be prescribed by said selectmen.

SEC. 4. The said corporation is hereby authorized to enter upon and appropriate any pond or spring not belonging to any aqueduct company, and to break up any ground, and secure by fences such pond or spring, and dig ditches in any land or enclosure through which it may be necessary for said aqueduct to pass, for the purpose of obtaining or preserving such water and placing such pipes as may be necessary for building and completing such aqueduct or of repairing the same: *Provided* that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to authorize said corporation to enter upon or appropriate any land, pond or spring for their use without the consent of the owners thereof. And in case the said corporation and any person or persons injured by the proceedings of said corporation under this act, shall not agree upon the compensation to be made for the damage that may be done to them by said corporation, either party may petition the court of common pleas sitting in the county of Cheshire, for redress, and said court shall refer the same to the board of county commissioners for said county, who shall appoint a time and place of hearing, and give notice thereof in the same manner as is now provided by law upon

petitions for laying out highways; and said commissioners shall make a report to said court, who are hereby authorized to render judgment upon said report, and issue execution accordingly. If either party shall deem themselves aggrieved by the report of said commissioners, such party shall be entitled to a trial by jury, which shall be had in such manner and form and under such regulations as shall be prescribed by said court.

SEC. 5. If any person shall maliciously injure said aqueduct or any part thereof, or appendage thereto, and shall be convicted thereof, upon indictment duly found against him, he shall be punished by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, and shall be liable to pay treble damages to said corporation, to be recovered by an action on the case.

SEC. 6. The legislature may alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever in their opinion the public good may require the same, and the said act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, June 27, 1857.

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## CHAPTER 2032.

### AN ACT to incorporate the Francestown Hotel Company.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened,* That Daniel Fuller, Paul M. Bixby, Daniel McCaine, Mark Morse, Herbert Vose, Hiram P. Clark, Samuel D. Downs, and their associate owners in a company in the town of Francestown, known as the Francestown Hotel Company, their successors and assigns, be and hereby are constituted and made a corporation by the name of the Francestown Hotel Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution; may have a common seal; and may have and enjoy all the privileges incident to corporations, and may purchase, hold and convey such real and personal estate in the town of Francestown, and not elsewhere, and not exceeding in value the sum of ten thousand dollars, as the business and transactions of the company may require.

SEC. 2. The three first named corporators or either of them, shall have power to call the first meeting of said corporation, by giving each of the above named corporators notice in writing, and by posting a notice in two or more public places in said town, at least five days before such meeting, of the time and place of holding the same.