

Vermont, 1872

ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

STATE OF VERMONT,

AT THE

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ed shall hold their offices until others are elected in their stead, as provided in the preceding section.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, November 8, 1872.

No. 265.—AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE VILLAGE OF ST. JOHNSBURY," APPROVED NOVEMBER 23, 1852.

SECTION

1. May issue bonds; limitation of maturity; rate of interest; purpose.
2. May construct sewers or drains; duties of trustees in relation thereto; land damages, how adjusted.
3. Private drains or sewers,

SECTION

- how constructed; expenses thereof, how paid.
4. Process for neglect or refusal of persons refusing to pay private assessments.
5. Certain powers and rights conferred on trustees.
6. To take effect.

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:*

SEC. 1. The village of St. Johnsbury may issue their bonds, not exceeding in amount the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, payable in twenty years from the date thereof, at a place therein designated, and bearing a rate of interest not exceeding seven per cent., for the purpose of constructing and maintaining such aqueducts and reservoirs as the said village may judge best: provided the consent, in writing, is obtained of two-thirds of the legal voters in said village.

SEC. 2. Whenever the public convenience or the public health shall require the construction of sewers or drains in the village of St. Johnsbury, the trustees of said village, whenever application shall be made therefor by seven or more freeholders or inhabitants of said village, are hereby authorized and empowered, and it is hereby made their duty, to lay, make and maintain sewers and drains, and may repair the same from time to time whenever it is necessary; and when land is taken for such sewers or drains, the trustees of said village shall proceed in the same manner as is now prescribed by law in taking land for public highways, and ascertain and award damages therefor; and persons suffering damages therefor shall have all the rights and remedies for the ascertainment and the recovery of the amount of said damages as is provided by law for the ascertainment and recovery of damages for lands taken for public highways, but such proceedings shall not stay the building of such drains or sewers; and said trustees may draw orders for the expense thereof upon the treasurer of said village, who is hereby authorized to pay the same from any funds in the treasury.

SEC. 3. Whenever, in the opinion of the trustees of the village, the public health or necessity of the inhabitants of the same shall require the construction of drains or sewers upon or near the premises of any person, so as to carry off the water and waste from his premises to suitable outlets or to enter main drains, the trustees shall give notice to such person, in writing, to construct such necessary drains in a permanent and suitable manner, and whenever such person so notified shall neglect or refuse, for a period of thirty days from the delivery of said notice, to comply with the requirements of the same, the trustees are hereby empowered

and authorized to construct such necessary drains, and to assess a portion or the whole of the expense thereby incurred upon the person who shall so neglect or refuse to comply with the requisitions of said notice. Notice of such assessment shall be given to such person so assessed, his tenant or lessee, and a certificate of such assessment shall be left with the clerk of said village for file or record.

SEC. 4. Any person neglecting or refusing to pay such assessment for a term exceeding sixty days after due notice thereof, as aforesaid, shall be liable to [an] action of debt therefor, in the name of said corporation, founded on this statute, with costs, if brought within one year after such demand and refusal.

SEC. 5. In the construction of sewers or drains by the village-corporation, the same powers and rights are hereby conferred upon the trustees of said village, and the same rights reserved to land-owners, as are provided for to parties in interest by an act relating to the laying out of streets in incorporated villages, approved November 15th, 1870.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, November 8, 1872.

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No. 266.—AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE VERMONT BIBLE SOCIETY.

SECTION

1. Corporators: name; powers, rights and privileges.
2. Further powers.

SECTION

3. First meeting.
4. To take effect.

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont :*