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said Town, and where said first Ecclesiastical Society meet for public worship, and but a little more than three Miles from the Meeting House in the first Ecclesiastical Society, of Colchester, where public business is done in said Town and where said first Society meet for public worship, praying that his House and two Acres and one half and 30 rods of Land about said House, including said House as by survey and Petition on file appears, may be annexed to the said Town of Colchester, and and to the first Society in Colchester, and be incorporated therewith.

Resolved by this Assembly, that the Petitioners said House, and Land as prayed for in said Petition, and according to said survey be, and the same is hereby annexed to said Town of Colchester; and to the first Ecclesiastical Society in said Colchester, and that the Lines of said Town, and Society, shall for the future, include the Petitioners said House, and Land, and the Petitioner, and all others residing on said annexation, be to all intents, and purposes hereafter, Inhabitants of said Town of Colchester and of said first Ecclesiastical Society in said Colchester.

Upon the Memorial and Petition of Daniel Burham, Ziba Blakeslee, James Glover, Oliver Bancroft, Stephen Burwell, James Stilson, Michael Parks, David Baldwin, and John Botsford, all of Newtown in Fairfield County, and Polly Starr of Danbury in said County, shewing to this Assembly that the Petitioners, are now the Proprietors, and partners in an Aqueduct Company in said Newtown, which Company was originally formed by Articles of agreement, for the purpose of conveying Water to the dwelling Houses of the Petitioners and others, praying to be incorporated into an Aqueduct Company as per Petition on file.¹²

Resolved by this Assembly, that the Petitioners, and such Persons as may hereafter Associate with them, their Successors, Heirs, and Assigns, be, and they are hereby constituted a Corporation by the name of *Newtown Aqueduct Company*, and by that name to sue, and be sued in all Courts of Record, to ordain and establish such By Laws Ordinances, and regulations as shall appear necessary for the Government of said Company not contrary to Law, subject nevertheless to be repealed by the superior Court of this State.

Resolved further, that a meeting of said Company shall be holden at the dwelling House of Michael Parks in said Newtown, on the 31st day of October instant, and the annual, and other Meetings of said Company, shall be holden from Time to Time, as said Company shall direct, for the choice of necessary Officers, establishing Regulations, and doing the business of said Com-

¹² Water had been carried from a spring on Abel Botsford's land to the houses of the petitioners since March, 1800. But the wooden pipes had to be replaced or new ones of lead or iron substituted. Arch., Corporations, II, 16-17.

pany, and the members of said Company shall have as many Votes, as they hold shares, or Interest in said Company.

Resolved further, that said Company shall have power, to purchase and hold such Lands, as they shall deem necessary for erecting a Fountain, or Fountains of Water, and carrying the Water to the Petitioners dwelling Houses, and such others as shall wish to purchase the same, or become interested therein, and that said Company may sink their Loggs, or Aqueduct on, and across the public Roads, or Highways, as may be most for the Interest of said Company; *Provided* they do not destroy or injure the public Travel on such Roads or Highways.

Upon the Petition of Joseph Loveland, Miles Loveland, Clark Loveland, Arnold Loveland, and John Pope of Waterbury in New Haven County, shewing to this Assembly that the Petitioners are situate at the Southwest Corner of the Town of Waterbury, and are about seven Miles and one half from the usual place of transacting the public business, within said Town, and are also included within the Limitts of the Society of Oxford, at the distance of about three and one half Miles from the usual place of doing Business, within the Town of Oxford, praying that, that part of the Society of Oxford and the Inhabitants therein which lieth within the limits of said Waterbury be annexed to the Town of Oxford, and incorporated therewith as per Petition on file. The respondents being three Times publicly called made default of appearance, when the facts stated in said Petition were fully proved.

Resolved by this Assembly that the Petitioners, and all the Inhabitants living within that part of said Society of Oxford, which lies within the limits of said Town of Waterbury be, and they hereby are annexed to said Town of Oxford and that in future the Lines of said Town of Oxford, shall be commensurate with the Lines of said Society of Oxford, so far as said Society Lines are, and run within said Waterbury, and that in future the Petitioners, and all others residing on said annexation be to all intents and purposes, Inhabitants of said Town of Oxford.

Upon the Petition of Joel Foot, Agent for the first School Society in Marlborough, and the rest of the Inhabitants of said Society, shewing to this Assembly that they are in three Towns, and three Counties, and at very great distance from the Center of those Towns, and Counties to which they respectively belong, and where public business is done in said Towns, and Counties, and that many, and great inconveniencies arise to them from their present local situation, and that it would be greatly beneficial to them in a variety of Respects, to be incorporated into a Town, with all the rights of such Corporations in this State, and with Liberty of One Representative to the General Assembly as per Petition on file dated the 29th day of April 1803.

Resolved by this Assembly, That said Society and all the In-