An Act authorizing advances to the metropolitan sewerage Chap. 81. COMMISSIONERS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. Upon the completion of the systems of sewerage provided for in chapter four hundred and thirty-nine of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine and in chapter four hundred and six of the acts of missioners, etc. the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five the elerk of the board of metropolitan sewerage commissioners, or such other person as said board may designate, may have advanced to him from the money in the treasury of the Commonwealth such sums, not exceeding five thousand dollars at any time, from the appropriation for maintaining the north metropolitan system of sewage disposal, and a similar amount from the appropriation for maintaining the Charles river system of sewage disposal, as the auditor may certify to be necessary to enable said board to make direct payment upon its pay rolls and other accounts. The person so designated by said board shall give a bond with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the auditor of the Commonwealth, in the sum of ten thousand dollars.

Section 2. As soon as may be after expending such Statement of advance, and in any case within thirty days from the to be filed. receipt thereof, the officer who has received money of the Commonwealth under the provisions of this act shall file with the auditor a statement in detail of the sums expended subsequent to the previous accounting, approved by the board, and, where it is practicable to obtain them, receipts or other like vouchers of the persons to whom the payments have been made.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage. Approved February 18, 1897.

An Act to authorize the town of reading to make an Ad- Chap. 82. DITIONAL WATER LOAN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Reading, for the purposes Reading Water mentioned in section six of chapter four hundred and Loan. five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eightynine and subject to the provisions of said act except so far as herein otherwise provided, may issue bonds, notes or scrip, to be denominated on the face thereof, Reading

Water Loan, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars in addition to the amounts heretofore authorized by law to be issued by said town for the same purposes.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 18, 1897.

Chap. 83. An Act relative to the expenses incurred under the act to provide for a system of sewage disposal for the neponset river valley.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Metropolitan Sewerage Loan.

Section 1. To meet the expenses incurred under the provisions of chapter four hundred and six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five the treasurer and receiver general shall, with the approval of the governor and council, issue from time to time scrip or certificates of debt, in the name and behalf of the Commonwealth and under its seal, to an amount not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, for a term not exceeding forty years. Said scrip or certificates of debt shall be issued as registered bonds or with interest coupons attached, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of March and September in each year. Said interest and scrip or certificates shall be payable, and when due shall be paid, in gold coin or its equivalent. Said serip or certificates of debt shall be designated on their face as the Metropolitan Sewerage Loan, shall be countersigned by the governor, and shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the Commonwealth, redeemable at the time specified therein in gold coin or its equivalent, and shall be sold and disposed of at public anction, or in such other mode and at such times and prices and in such amounts and at such rate of interest, not exceeding four per cent. per annum, as the governor and council shall deem for the best interests of the Commonwealth. Any scrip or certificates of debt issued under the provisions of this act shall be considered as an addition to and shall become a part of the loan anthorized by said chapter four hundred and six, and the sinking fund established under the provisions of said chapter shall be a sinking fund for the extinguishment of the debt authorized by this act, said fund to be increased in the following manner: - The treasurer and

To be considered as an addition to loan authorized by 1895, 406, etc.

Sinking fund.