

Amount re-  
quired from  
cities and towns  
to be included  
in state tax.

SECTION 10. The amount of money required each year from each city and town of the metropolitan parks district, to meet the interest, sinking fund requirement and expenses aforesaid for each year, and deficiency, if any, shall be estimated by the treasurer of the Commonwealth in accordance with the proportion determined as aforesaid, and shall be included in and made a part of the sum charged to such city or town and be assessed upon it in the apportionment and assessment of its annual state tax; and said treasurer shall in each year notify each city and town of the amount of such assessment, and the same shall be paid by the city or town into the treasury of the Commonwealth at the time required for the payment and as a part of its state tax. The amount of money required each year to meet the remaining one half of the interest, sinking fund requirement and expenses aforesaid for each year and deficiency, if any, shall be included in and made a part of the annual state tax levy.

Supreme judi-  
cial court to fix  
compensation of  
commissioners.

SECTION 11. The supreme judicial court shall have jurisdiction in equity to enforce the provisions of this act and shall fix and determine the compensation of all commissioners appointed by said court, whether under the provisions hereof or of said chapter four hundred and seven.

SECTION 12. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved April 21, 1894.*

*Chap. 289* AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SOUTHBRIDGE WATER SUPPLY COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK AND TO TAKE AN ADDITIONAL SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

May take the  
waters of  
Hatchet brook,  
etc.

SECTION 1. The Southbridge Water Supply Company, in addition to the existing sources of water supply, may also take, hold and convey into and through the town of Southbridge and any part thereof, the waters of what is known as Hatchet brook, or any tributary thereto, and may take and hold by purchase or otherwise any real estate necessary for the preservation and purity of the same or for forming any dams or reservoirs to hold the same, and for laying and maintaining aqueducts or pipes for distributing the waters so held; and may lay the pipes through any private lands, with the right to enter upon the same and dig therein for the purpose of making all necessary

repairs; and for the purpose aforesaid may carry its pipes under or over any water course, street, railroad, highway or other way, in such manner as not to obstruct the same; and may, under the direction of the board of selectmen, enter upon and dig up any road or other way for the purpose of laying or repairing its aqueduct, pipes or other works, and in general may do any other acts and things convenient and proper for carrying out the purpose of this act.

SECTION 2. Said company may, for the purposes set forth in its charter and in all acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars; and the whole capital stock of said company shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of fifty dollars each.

May hold additional estate, etc.

SECTION 3. The Southbridge Water Supply Company shall issue the additional stock provided for in section two only in such amounts as may from time to time, upon investigation by the commissioner of corporations, be deemed by him to be reasonably requisite for the purposes of providing the inhabitants of the town of Southbridge with an additional water supply and the extension of the water service in said town. His decision approving such issue shall specify the amount of stock to be issued and the purposes to which the proceeds thereof are to be applied. A certificate setting forth his decision shall be filed in the office of the secretary of the Commonwealth before the certificates of stock are issued, and the proceeds of such stock shall not be applied to any purpose not specified in such decision.

Issue of stock to be approved by commissioner of corporations.

SECTION 4. The new shares of stock authorized in section two shall be offered proportionately to the stockholders of the company at the market value thereof at the time of increase, as shall be determined by the commissioner of corporations, taking into account previous sales of stock of said company and other pertinent conditions. The directors of the company shall cause written notice of such increase to be given to each stockholder who was such at the date of the vote to increase the capital stock authorized in section two, stating the amount of such increase and the proportion thereof in shares of stock which he would be entitled to receive on a division of the same, and the price at which he is entitled to take the same, and

New stock to be offered proportionately to stockholders, etc.

fixing a time not less than fifteen days from the date of such notice within which he may subscribe for such additional stock. Each stockholder may within the time fixed subscribe for his portion of such stock, and the same shall be paid for in cash on the issue of the certificate of stock. All shares of stock remaining unsubscribed for by the stockholders entitled to take them shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder by the directors of the company. Said sale shall be held at such time and place as may be prescribed by said commissioner, and notice thereof shall be published at least five times during the ten days immediately preceding the sale, in such daily newspapers not less than three in number as may be approved by said commissioner. None of said stock shall be sold or issued for a less sum to be actually paid in cash than the par value thereof.

Stock remaining unsubscribed for to be sold at public auction.

Purchases of real estate and personal property ratified, etc.

1880, 73, §§ 3, 4, 6 and 7 to apply.

SECTION 5. All purchases of real estate and personal property by said corporation heretofore made are hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid.

SECTION 6. The provisions of sections three, four, six and seven of chapter seventy-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty, so far as applicable, shall apply to the additional water supply authorized by this act, to the real estate and rights acquired hereunder, and in general to all acts done by said water company in pursuance of the authority herein granted.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved April 21, 1894.*

## Chap. 290

### AN ACT TO SUPPLY THE TOWN OF MONSON WITH WATER.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Water supply for town of Monson.

SECTION 1. The town of Monson may supply itself and its inhabitants with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic and other purposes; may establish fountains and hydrants, relocate or discontinue the same; and may regulate the use of such water and fix and collect rates to be paid for the use of the same.

May take waters of certain ponds, etc.

SECTION 2. The said town, for the purpose aforesaid, may take by purchase or otherwise and hold the waters of Conant brook, so-called, and the waters that flow into and from the same, and the waters of any other watershed, ponds, springs, streams or water source, and the tributaries thereof, within the town of Monson, and the water