

sion of the Commissioners of Fisheries, any snares, nets, stake poles or other device used in unlawfully taking such fish, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and in addition thereto shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars, but nothing herein contained shall apply to that portion of the Hudson river south of the dam at Troy, or to Lake Ontario, or to the waters of the Walkkill river in Ulster county.

ing bass, trout, etc.

Reserva
tion.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Chap. 12.

AN ACT to authorize the city of Binghamton to pay John O. Smith a portion of the contract price for constructing the sixth ward sewer in the city of Binghamton as the work progresses.

PASSED February 10, 1886; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The common council of the city of Binghamton is hereby authorized, if it deems expedient, to pay John O. Smith, contractor, constructing the sixth ward sewer in said city, from month to month, as the work progresses for said sewer, as fast as completed, eighty per centum of the construction price per foot, upon the certificate of the number of feet completed by the city superintendent of the sewer, and to make such payment, the said common council may order warrants drawn, payable with interest from date of such time as the city is now under its charter compelled to raise the money to pay on said sewer; but the gross amount which the said city shall ultimately be obliged to pay for said sewer shall not be increased by this act.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Chap. 13.

AN ACT to transfer the duties of water commissioners of the village of Little Falls to a board of water commissioners, and to create such board.

PASSED February 11, 1886; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There shall be a board of water commissioners of the village of Little Falls, consisting of four tax payers, residents of said village.

Water
commis-
sioners.

§ 2. The board shall consist of William I. Skinner, Watts T. Loomis, David H. Burrell and Charles J. Palmer, one of whom shall serve two years, one three, one four, and one five years from the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-six, as shall be determined by lot at the time of taking the oath of office. The term of office shall be

Names
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for four years except as above provided and until a successor shall be appointed.

Vacancies, how filled.

§ 3. In case of a vacancy the board of commissioners shall nominate a successor, who shall, upon confirmation by a vote of three-fourths of the trustees of the village, assume the duties of the office for the term for which he was nominated.

Powers and duties of board.

§ 4. All the duties and powers conferred by law upon water commissioners are hereby transferred and conferred upon said board of water commissioners created by this act, and said board shall possess all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the regulations and restrictions provided by law for the water commissioners of said village.

§ 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

Chap. 14.

AN ACT to authorize the towns of Wheatland, in Monroe county; Le Roy and Pavilion, in Genesee county; and Covington, Middlebury, Warsaw, Gainesville and Eagle, in Wyoming county, or the assignees of any of said towns, to release the claim of the said several towns to stock of the Rochester and State Line Railway Company, and any claim against Henry A. Taylor, Isaac S. Waterman and Thomas Leighton, their heirs and personal representatives therefor.

PASSED February 12, 1886; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Settlement of action authorized.

SECTION 1. The towns of Wheatland, Le Roy, Pavilion, Covington, Middlebury, Warsaw, Gainesville and Eagle, or the assignees of the interest of any of said towns as heretofore transferred, are hereby authorized, jointly or severally, to settle an action now pending between said several towns and Henry A. Taylor, Isaac S. Waterman and Thomas Leighton, and to release all right, interest and claim which the said several towns or such assignees have, or can have, in and to any of the capital stock of the Rochester and State Line Railway Company, by virtue of a contract between the said several towns of the first part, The Rochester and State Line Railway Company of the second part, Henry A. Taylor of the third part, and Isaac S. Waterman and Thomas Leighton of the fourth part, dated August thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, and to release the said Henry A. Taylor, Isaac S. Waterman and Thomas Leighton, and their heirs and personal representatives of and from all and any liability to said several towns or the assignees of any of said towns, by reason of the aforesaid contract.

Release authorized.

§ 2. Upon the settlement of the said action now pending between said towns and the said Taylor, Waterman and Leighton, in such of the said towns where the office of railroad commissioners still exists, the said towns are jointly and severally authorized, by and through their said railroad commissioners, to execute such release or instrument in writing, jointly or in severalty, as shall effectually extinguish