

CUMBERLAND :	HOPKINTON :
John Dexter,	John Maxson, <i>jun.</i>
Joseph Brown,	Thomas Wells, <i>jun.</i>
Peter Darling,	Nathan Burdick,
Nathaniel Shepherdson,	Edward Wells,
<i>Esqrs.</i>	David Randall, <i>Esqrs.</i>
RICHMOND :	JOHNSTON :
Edward Perry,	Abraham Belknap,
George Webb,	Noah Matthewson,
Robert Stanton,	Josiah King,
Benjamin Tefft,	Peleg Williams,
Barnabas Hoxsie,	Andrew Harris, <i>Esqrs.</i>
Stephen Potter, <i>Esqrs.</i>	NORTH-PROVIDENCE :
CRANSTON :	Edward Tripp,
William Burton,	Isaiah Hawkins,
Thomas Potter, (<i>Son of</i>	Thomas Whipple,
<i>John</i>)	Jonathan Jenckes, <i>jun.</i>
Benjamin Carpenter,	<i>Esqrs.</i>
William Dexter,	BARRINGTON :
James Harris, <i>Esqrs.</i>	Solomon Townsend, <i>jun.</i>
	Moses Tyler, <i>Esqrs.</i>

Thomas George, Captain of Fort George.

Henry Rice
allowed
£. 7 11 6

WHEREAS *Henry Rice*, Esq; exhibited unto this Assembly an Account by him charged against the Colony, for providing Three Dozen of Chairs, and Wood for the Court-House, in the County of *Kent*: And the said Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seven Pounds, Eleven Shillings and Six Pence, lawful Moneey, being the Amount thereof, be paid the said *Henry Rice*, out of the General Treasury.



AN ACT incorporating *Field's Fountain-Society*.

WHEREAS by certain Indentures in Writing, dated the Seventh Day of *March*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-two, between *John Field*, of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, in this Colony, Gentleman,

Act incorpo-
rating *Field's*
Fountain-So-
ciety.

Gentleman, of the one Part, and *James Black, Nathaniel Greene, Joseph Bucklin, and Zephaniab Andrews*, all of *Providence*, aforesaid, Merchants, of the other Part, the said *John Field* granted unto them, One Halt Part of a large Spring, or Fountain of Water, in said *Providence*, in order that the same might be conveyed, by means of Pipes or an Aqueduct, as far as *Weybosset* Bridge, for the better supplying themselves with good and wholesome Water, and such others who should join in the Undertaking of making, repairing and continuing the said Works, as in and by said Indentures may appear: And whereas divers Persons, hereafter named, have joined the said *James Black, Nathaniel Greene, Joseph Bucklin* and *Zephaniab Andrews*, in the said Undertaking: And whereas the said Work will be of a public Utility, and cannot be carried on and continued, unless those concerned therein be vested with certain Powers, and corporate Rights and Privileges: And this Assembly being willing to give all due Countenance and Encouragement to so beneficial a Design, do, for themselves and their Successors, Enact, Grant, Ordain and Declare, and, by the Authority vested in them, It is Enacted, Granted, Ordained and Declared, That the said *James Black, Nathaniel Greene, Joseph Bucklin, and Zephaniab Andrews*, together with *Amos Atwell, Stephen Rawson, Benjamin Man, Nathaniel Jacobs, Elisha Robinson, Ebenezer Thompson, James Angell, Moses Brown, Joseph Kinnicut, Stephen Whipple, Eleazer Harding, William Wheaton, John Matthewson, Gideon Young, Nathan Waterman, Joseph Martin, Benjamin Lindsey, Ezeck Eddy, Phinebas Potter, Jonathan Ellis, Ephraim Peabody, Samuel Black, John Larcher, Abiel Smith, Reuben Potter, Ephraim Walker, William Barton, Robert Dickey, George Brown, jun. Asa Franklin, Samuel Butler, Edward Hawkins, Benjamin Tallman, Nicholas Clark, Timothy Gladding, Job Danforth, Allin Peck, Thomas Rone, and Naomi Kinnicut*, with such others as the said Society shall from Time to Time admit, as joint Members with them, shall be a Body, Corporate and Politic, with perpetual Succession, to be known in the Law, by the Name of *FIELD'S FOUNTAIN-SOCIETY*, and by that Name to sue or be sued, and to take and receive Gifts and Grants, with full

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Power to do every lawful Matter and Thing, for the complete Execution of said Design: And that to this End, the said Company shall have an annual Meeting on the last Wednesday in *May*, and at such other Times as they may be con voked, in Manner hereafter mentioned, and at such Place as they shall, from Time to Time, direct: At which Meeting, the said Society shall have full Power to make and enact any By-Laws and Regulations, for the making, repairing and continuing said Aqueduct, to appoint such Officers as to themselves shall seem necessary, to assess and levy Monies on themselves for said Purpose, in such Way and Manner as they shall judge best, and to cause all their Laws and Orders, not repugnant to the Laws of this Colony, to be carried into full Effect and Execution. *Provided always*, That at said annual Meeting, among other Officers; they shall appoint a Committee, who shall have the whole Direction and Management of every Matter and Thing about said Work, and how, and in what Manner, the same shall be repaired and continued; and also in what Manner and to whom leading or conducting Pipes shall be formed, from the main Aqueduct, and that every Member of said Society shall have full Liberty, at his own Expence, to convey Water from the main Aqueduct to his House, under the Direction of the aforesaid Committee, for the Use of One Family. And in Case more Families than One on the Estate shall be supplied with Water, by Means of such Pipe, the Proprietor thereof shall be subject to an annual Taxation by said Committee, for all Families more than One, of a Sum not to exceed Six Shillings, ^{and not to exceed two shillings} and the same to be applied as the said Society shall direct.

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And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,
That the said Society shall appoint a Clerk, who shall make Record of all Grants, Leases and Agreements, respecting said Aqueduct, and all such By-Laws and Regulations as they may from Time to Time make and pass.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,
That if any special Occasion shall make it necessary to
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hold a Meeting at any other Time than on the said last Wednesday in *May*, the same may be done by the major Part of the said Committee applying to the Clerk, who shall thereon issue his Warrant, directed to any Member, or the proper Officer, for calling the same.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Society shall and may, at all Times, forever hereafter, have full and free Liberty to dig in any of the Streets, Lanes, or Highways, for sinking and making said Aqueduct, and all the Pipes leading therefrom, and for repairing the same; they, the said Society, leaving the said Streets, Lanes, or Highways, in as good Order as they were before, and doing the same as soon as may be.

Whereas Messrs. *Jonathan Jeffers* and *Benjamin Wilbour* exhibited unto this Assembly, an Account by them charged against the Colony, for providing Glafs, and mending the Windows in the Court-House, in the County of *Newport*: And the said Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-six Pounds, Eleven Shillings, lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the said *Jonathan Jeffers* and *Benjamin Wilbour*, out of the General Treasury.

*J. Jeffers and
B. Wilbour*
allowed
£. 26 11 0.

Whereas Mr. *John Hookey* exhibited unto this Assembly an Account, by him charged against the Colony, for attending as One of the Guard of *Sarah Crandall*, suspected of murdering her Child: And the said Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That One Pound Sixteen Shillings, lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be allowed and paid the said *John Hookey*, out of the General Treasury.

J. Hookey
allowed
£. 1 16 0

Whereas Mr. *John Carter* exhibited unto this Assembly an Account, by him charged against the Colony, for inserting divers Acts of Assembly in the *Providence Gazette*, &c. And the said Account being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Pounds, Twelve Shillings

J. Carter
allowed
£. 2 12 6.