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in evidence, and the court shall impose costs of prosecution, in case of conviction; and when it shall be necessary to abate a nuisance, the expense of the abatement may be imposed on the delinquent in addition to such fine and costs. In all actions for breach of any by-law, rule or ordinance, mesne and final process may issue against the body of the defendant in due form of law, and the court before whom such action is tried may render thereon such judgments, and issue such certificates as in other actions of tort, with like force and effect.

SEC. 2. Section fifty-eight of said act is hereby repealed.

Approved November 26, 1884.

No. 212.—AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED “AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER.”

SECTION.

1. Section five of original act amended; officers, treasurer and collector to give bonds; terms of office.
2. Water commissioners; their duties.

SECTION.

3. Their powers; when land taken; remedy of person aggrieved.
4. Commissioners to prevent adulterating of water.
5. What instructions commissioners to follow.
6. When to take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, as follows:

SEC. 1. Section five of an act to incorporate the village of Montpelier, approved November 14, 1855, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: The officers of said village shall consist of a clerk, five bailiffs, a treasurer, a collector of taxes, five fire wardens, and a board of water commissioners consisting of five members; all of whom shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties; and the treasurer and collector of taxes shall, before they enter upon the duties of the respective offices, give bonds to said corporation in such sums and with such sureties as the majority of the bailiffs shall direct, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of their respective offices; and all the officers aforesaid, except said board of water commissioners, shall hold their offices one year and until others are appointed. The term of the office of the members of said board of water commissioners shall be five years, excepting the several members of the first board of water commissioners, whose terms of office shall be determined as follows: The commissioner first chosen shall hold office five years; the commissioner next chosen shall hold his office for four years; the commissioner next chosen shall hold his office for three years; the commissioner next chosen shall hold his office for two years; the commissioner next chosen shall hold his office for one year.

SEC. 2. The board of water commissioners shall have the general supervision of the entire water works, belonging to the village of Montpelier; they shall keep the same in repair, and shall establish the rates to be charged for the use of water; and shall appoint one of its members to collect the water rents and pay the same to the village treasurer.

SEC. 3. The board of water commissioners may at any time enter upon any land adjoining Berlin pond or adjoining the reservoir, from which water is taken to the village of Montpelier, or adjoining the stream connecting said reservoir with Berlin pond, for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not there is anything on said land, or business done on said land, so near said reservoirs, stream or pond as to render the waters thereof impure or unfit for domestic use; and said board shall award to the owners of any land upon which they shall so enter, such damages as the owners are entitled to; and in case any person shall be dissatisfied with the decision of said board as to damages, such person shall be entitled to the same relief as is now provided by the charter of the village of Montpelier in cases of land taken for reservoirs and other purposes.

SEC. 4. The board of water commissioners are hereby empowered to commence such legal proceedings, either at law or in equity, in the name of, and for the benefit of said village, as shall prevent any person or persons from adulterating the waters of said reservoir, stream or pond, or rendering the waters thereof unfit for domestic use.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of said board of water commissioners to follow such instructions as shall be given the board by the vote of Montpelier village at any legal meeting called for that purpose; but in the absence of instructions, or in case of disagreement between the members of said board, the acts of a majority shall be binding.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved November 21, 1884.

No. 213.—AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT OF INCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MIDDLEBURY.

SECTION.	SECTION.
1. Section 8 of original act amended; trustees shall appoint police officers; their power and duties.	justice; duty of court; fines; when paid.
2. Section 16 of original act amended; offenders may be brought before	3. Inhabitant not disqualified to act in legal proceedings.
	4. When to take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. Section eight of said act of incorporation is amended to read as follows: The trustees shall have power to appoint five