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OF THE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT,

AT THEIR SESSION, WHICH COMMENCED ON WEDNESDAY THE 12th
DAY OF JANUARY, AND WHICH ENDED ON MONDAY
THE 28th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1814.

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Town incor-
porated.

county of Essex, by the name of Lynnfield," be, and the same hereby is incorporated into a town, by the name of Lynnfield, with all the powers, privileges, and immunities, and liable to all the duties and requisitions of other towns in this Commonwealth.

[Approved by the Governor, February 28, 1814.]

CHAP. CXCI.

An Act in addition to an act, entitled "An act to provide for the proof of Fire Arms, manufactured within this Commonwealth."

Manner of
proving.

SEC. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this act, all musket barrels and pistol barrels, manufactured within this Commonwealth, shall, before the same shall be sold, and before the same shall be stocked, be proved by the person appointed according to the provisions of an act, entitled "An act to provide for the proof of Fire Arms, manufactured within this Commonwealth," to which this is an addition, in manner following, viz : with a charge of powder equal in weight to the ball which fits the bore of the barrel to be proved ; and the powder used in such proof one ounce thereof in a howitzer of four and a half inch caliber, at an elevation of forty-five degrees, shall be of sufficient power to carry a twelve pound shot one hundred and thirty yards ; or one ounce thereof in a howitzer of five and a half inch caliber, at an elevation of forty-five degrees, shall be sufficient to carry a twenty-four pound shot eighty yards, and the ball used in such proof shall be suited to the bore of the barrel to be proved as aforesaid.

Restrictions.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That if any person or persons, from and after the passing of this act, shall manufacture, within this Commonwealth, any musket or pistol, or shall sell and deliver, or shall knowingly purchase any musket or pistol, without having the barrels first proved according to the provisions of the first section of this act, marked and stamped according the provisions of the first section of the act to which this is an addition ; or if

any person or persons shall sell, stock or finish, or shall knowingly purchase any musket barrel or pistol barrel manufactured within this Commonwealth, which shall not have been first proved, marked and stamped according to the provisions aforesaid, the person or persons who shall so manufacture, sell and deliver, or knowingly purchase any musket or pistol without causing the same to be first proved, marked and stamped as aforesaid, and the person or persons who shall sell, stock or finish, or shall knowingly purchase any musket barrel or pistol barrel, which shall not have been proved, marked and stamped as aforesaid, shall severally forfeit the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered by an action of debt before any court proper to try the same, by any person who shall sue for and recover the same, to his own use: *Provided however,* That the foregoing provisions and penalties shall not extend to any muskets or pistols, or musket or pistol barrels, manufactured in any armoury of the United States, for their use, or in execution of any contract made or to be made with the United States, for the manufacture of fire arms.

Forfeitures.

Proviso.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the second and third sections of the act to which this is in addition, and also so much of the first section thereof as prescribes the mode of proving musket barrels and pistol barrels, and the power of the powder to be used in such proof, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Sections repealed.

[Approved by the Governor, February 28, 1814.]

CHAP. CXCIH.

An Act to incorporate The President, Directors and Company of the Lynn Mechanicks Bank.

SEC. 1. **BE** *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same,* That Daniel Silsbe, Joseph Fuller the third, John D. Atwell, Thomas Rich, Samuel Brimblecum, Micajah Burrill, Parker Mudge, Oliver Fuller, Jonathan Conner, John Alley, jr. Stephen Oliver, John Mudge, and Jonathan Bachellor, their associates, successors, and assigns shall be, and hereby are created a Cor-

Persons incorporated.