

tories from taxation for corporate purposes for five years, and any contract which exempts any property, except such plant, or for a period longer than five years, shall be absolutely null and void in all respects whatever.

LIMITATIONS.

1900, ch. 339, sec. 79.

96. The taxes imposed in the annual levy shall be collectible by action at law, or by proceedings against the property under seizure by way of execution at any time within four years after such taxes become due and in arrear, and not afterward, unless the parties or persons charged with the taxes extend the time of payment by an express promise to pay the same, in which case they may be collected within four years after the new promise.

TITLE TO CORPORATE PROPERTY.

1900, ch. 339, sec. 80.

97. The title to real, leasehold and personal property belonging to the town shall be vested in the Commissioners, who shall have full power and authority to protect and preserve the same, and to proceed at law or in equity, as may be right, to recover the possession thereof or to recover damages for trespass upon or injury to the same, or to prevent injury thereto, and as well by ordinance to provide penalties for injuries thereto. The Commissioners may hold in trust for the benefit of the sick and the indigent poor of the town gifts of money or other property, and they may invest and administer the same under the authority of the Circuit Court for Dorchester County, setting as a court of equity.

COUNCIL HALL.

1900, ch. 339, sec. 81.

98. The Commissioners shall hold their meetings in a building or chamber to be called "The Council Hall" of Cambridge, as their regular place of meeting, and they shall not meet elsewhere except upon notice to all the Commissioners, and unless three Commissioners at least consent in writing to meet on any special occasion in a different place so designated; provided nothing herein shall prevent the Commissioners from changing their regular place of meeting, but when they have adopted a place for their meetings generally they shall meet therein, except as above provided.

TAXING OF DOGS.

1900, ch. 339, sec. 82.

99. For every male dog and for every female dog which may be kept or harbored within the corporate limits of Cambridge a yearly tax shall be paid; for every male dog a yearly tax of one dollar, and for every