CHAPTER XLVI.

An Act to Provide for the Encouragement of Immigration.

SECTION 1. Commissioner of Statistics authorised to publish annual report—number of

copies.

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Act, when to take effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Authorized to publish annual report—number copies

- Section 1. That the Commissioner of Statistics is hereby authorized to publish annually, at the expense of the State, with the consent of the Governor, not more than five thousand copies of his annual report, in the form of a pamphlet, which shall not contain more than two hundred pages; Provided, That the printing of the same shall be done with the consent of the Governor, and under the supervision of the Commissioner of Statistics.
- That for the purpose of encouraging immigration, the reports of said commissioner shall be annually distributed by him, under the direction of the Governor and Secretary of State, as follows: Two hundred copies shall be reserved for the State Library for exchanges, five copies for each member of the Legislature, twenty-five copies for each member of Congress from Minnesota, and one hundred copies for the use of the Commissioner of Statistics, and the remainder shall be distributed in single copies, as follows: To the leading newspapers and other influential periodicals of the United States, the British Provinces, Great Britain, Ireland, the German States, France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, to the consuls representing those countries in the principal ports of the United States, and the principal consuls and resident ministers of the United States in Europe, to the boards of trade, the principal

Distribution of reports-how

hotels, reading rooms, library and agricultural societies, and to public libraries in the United States and British Reports bow dis-Dominions, and to such other influential persons, asso-tributed ciations and institutions as in the opinion of the Governor and Secretary of State shall best promote the interest of immigration so this State; Provided however, That one thousand copies be reserved by the secretary for sale, as follows: He shall advertise the same for sale for three months, in the official newspaper of the State, at a price equal to the cost of publishing and mailing the same, the proceeds of such sale to be deposited in the state treasurv. and such as remain unsold three months after advertising the same, shall then be distributed as above ordered, and the Secretary of State shall make an annual report of such distribution and sale to the Governor.

That in addition to the duties of said com-To publish result SEC. 3. missioner, now provided by law, he shall cause to be pub- of investigation lished in such newspapers as he may elect in this State, -where and at New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Saint Louis, and, if practicable, in London, Dublin, Hamburg, Bremen, Stockholm, Amsterdam and Paris, but without expense to the State, monthly official communications, exhibiting the results of his investigations in relation to the agriculture, trade, finance, and

physical and social progress of the State.

Sec. 4. That in lieu of the copyright of his reports, the salary of the commissioner is hereby fixed at one Commissioner thousand dollars per annum, from the date of his appointment, and a further sum of lifteen hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be allowed to defray the expenses of printing and distributing the annual reports, for postage, stationery, maps, books, scientific contributions, and other necessary expenses.

That such parts of sections three, four, and five of an act to provide for the publication and collec-Repeal of former tion of statistics, approved February sixth, eighteen hun-acts dred and sixty, as relates to the contingent and printing expenses of said commissioner, are hereby repealed, and no previous act shall be construed to affect the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 15th, A. D. 1861.