CHAPTER 84.

AN ACT TO AMEND "AN ACT TO CREATE A BOARD OF TAX LEVY FOR .THE COUNTY OF HENNEPIN, AND DEFINE THE POWERS AND DUTIES THEREOF," APPROVED MARCH EIGHTH (8TH), A. D. ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINE (1879).

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

SECTION 1. An act entitled "An act to create a board of tax levy for the county of Hennepin, and define the powers and duties thereof," approved March eighth (Sth), A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine (1879), as changed by several acts amendatory thereof, is

hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1. There is hereby created and constituted in and for the county of Hennepin, a board which is hereby designated and shall be known as the board of tax levy, and which shall be composed of the chairman of the board of county commissioners, the county auditor, the president of the board of education of the city of Minneapolis, the comptroller of the city of Minneapolis, and the mayor of the city of Minneapolis, which several officers shall be ex officio the members of the said board of tax levy. The county auditor shall serve as the secretary of the said board, and one (1) of the other members thereof shall be chosen by the board to preside at the meetings thereof.

Sec. 2. The said board of tax levy are hereby empowered and required to meet at the office of the county auditor on the second (2d) Monday in September in each year, and may adjourn from time to time as may be necessary for the performance of the duties hereby required of them, but not later than the first (1st) Tuesday in October, and it shall be the duty of the county auditor to notify the members of said board of its meetings. A majority of said board shall constitute a quorum, and a majority vote of the whole board shall decide all questions coming before said board. The said board at its meeting or meetings shall consider, determine and fix a maximum rate of taxation for the various purposes, respectively, for which the board of county commissioners is, or hereafter may be, authorized to levy taxes for such year; a like maximum rate of taxation for the various purposes, respectively, for which the city council of the city of Minneapolis is, or hereafter may be, authorized to levy taxes for such year; a like maximum rate of taxation for the various purposes, respectively, for which the board of education of the city of Minneapolis is, or hereafter may be, authorized to levy taxes for such year; a like maximum rate of taxation for the various purposes, respectively, for which the board of park commissioners of the city of Minneapolis is, or hereafter may be, authorized to levy taxes for such year; and a like maximum rate of taxation for the various purposes, respectively, for which the library board of the city of Minneapolis is, or hereafter may be authorized to levy taxes for such year. And it shall be the duty of the said board, in the discharge of its functions, to reduce the maximum.

rate of taxation for the various purposes aforesaid, to the lowest practical limit. The secretary of said board of tax levy shall keep an accurate record of all the proceedings of said board, in a book to be provided for that purpose, which book shall be a public and permanent record in the office of said county auditor, and the same, as well as transcripts thereof, duly certified under the hand and seal of said auditor shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the county auditor, on or before the first (1st) Thursday of October in each year, to certify under his hand and official seal and transmit to the board of county commissioners, to the city council of the city of Minneapolis, to the board of education of the city of Minneapolis, to the board of park commissioners of the city of Minneapolis and to the library board of the city of Minneapolis, respectively, the maximum rates of taxation for the various purposes for which said bodies are respectively authorized to levy taxes, as fixed and determined by said board of tax levy, and no tax shall be levied for such year by either of said bodies, for any of said purposes, in excess of the maximum rate, respectively, so fixed and determined by said board of tax levy, and the levy of any tax in excess thereof shall be absolutely null and void as to such excess.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after

its passage.

Approved March 4, 1885.

CHAPTER 85.

AN ACT TO AMEND, CONFIRM AND DEFINE AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF MINNESOTA," APPROVED MARCH FIFTH (5TH), ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE (1853).

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

SECTION 1. That an act entitled "An act to incorporate the grand lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota," approved March fifth (5th), one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three (1853), be amended, and the same is hereby amended, by adding thereto as follows:

Sec. 8. That Henry R. Denny, the present grand master, R. H. Gove, the present deputy grand master, J. A. Keister, the present senior grand warden, Albert Marden, the present junior grand warden, of the grand lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the state of Minnesota, and D. B. Loomis and A. T. C. Pierson, the first (1st) four (4) being the successors of the grand officers named in said