CHAPTER 152.

An act to authorize the division of organized towns Division of by board of county commissioners in certain cases.

organized towns.

8. F. No. 404.

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

Section 1. Whenever twenty or more legal voters Petition to residing in any organized town in this state, having an commisarea of forty or more square miles, shall petition the board of county commissioners of the county in which said town is situated, setting forth the facts that said town is so divided by lakes, rivers, marshes or other natural impediments, or that by reason of large area it is inconvenient for any considerable part of the citizens of said town to transact town business, and requesting that said town be divided into two or more towns, the said board of county commissioners shall immediately appoint a time of hearing upon said petition, and cause to be posted in three public places in said town a copy of said netition and a notice of the time and place of such hearing, and serve a copy of such notice and petition on the town clerk of said town, such notice shall be served and posted at least fifteen (15) days before the day of hear-1112

SEC. 2. If upon such hearing said board of county Action of commissioners shall find that the facts are true, as stated gloners. in said petition, and that the public interest will be subserved by the division of said town, they may thereupon divide such town into two or more towns, in such manner as they deem best adapted to proper transaction of public business.

Said board of county commissioners shall establish the boundaries of such new towns as may thus be organized, provide for first election of officers therein. and for naming said towns in the same manner as provided by chapter ten (10) of General Statutes of the year 1878, for establishing boundaries, naming of and first election of officers in newly organized towns; provided, however, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to release any property in or belonging to any nortion of a town so divided from any tax levied or assessed prior to such division being made, or to release or discharge any of said property from the payment of any bonded or other indebtedness existing against said town at the time division is made. Provided, that whenever a division of territory is made under the provisions of this act, all township property owned by the township before the division is so made shall be divided proportionately between the separate townships into which such territory shall have been divided.

SEC. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with

this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 6, 1901.

S. F. No. 423,

CHAPTER 153.

Amendment. Practice of dentistry. An act to amend section eleven (11) of chapter nineteen (19) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine (1889) entitled, "An act to regulate the practice of dentistry in the State of Minnesota."

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

SECTION I. That section eleven (II) of chapter nineteen (19) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine (1889) be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Section II. The district court of the respective counties shall have jurisdiction of violations of this act. It shall be the duty of the respective county attorneys to prosecute all violations of this act.

"Provided, that this act shall not apply to any action

now pending."

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

Approved April 6, 1901.

S. F. No. 501.

CHAPTER 154.

Art commissions in cities with over 50,000 population.

An act to provide for the creation of art commissions in cities now or hereafter having over fifty thousand population, and to define their powers.

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

Section 1. Whenever in any city in this state now or hereafter having over fifty thousand population the governing body shall deem it advisable, it may by ordinance provide for the creation of a commission to be known as the art commission of such city.

Terms of members.

SEC. 2. Such commission shall be composed of a board of five members, all of whom shall be citizens of