have since died, removed from the district or become disqualified and shall note on such registers opposite each name so erased the reason for such erasure. They shall enter at the proper places in such registers and in the form provided by law relating to the registration of voters, the names of legal voters of said district, who may be lawfully registered as voters at such special election. At the end of said day said board shall compare and correct said registers, shall cause the same to be signed by one of their number at the end of the list on each page thereof, and shall attach certificates to such registers in the form, so far as applicable, required to be attached by boards of registration to registers of voters on completion of the registration of voters in such city. No list of the names of voters appearing on such registers shall be required to be prepared or posted. Before ten o'clock on the next week day, said registers shall be deposited by one of said board in the office of the city clerk, who shall safely keep the same. Such registers shall be used as the registers of voters at such special election.

Compensation of judges and clerks.—Sec. 5. The compensation for services at such special election shall be the same as provided by law for similar services at elections and with other expenses thereof shall be paid as provided by law relating to the payment of expenses at general elections.

General election law to apply.—Sec. 6. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, or in the charter of the city in which such special election shall be ordered, the nomination of candidates and the registration of voters for such special election and such special election and all things pertaining thereto, shall be in accordance with and controlled by the laws of this state.

Sec. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 13, 1909.

## CHAPTER 181-H. F. No. 32.

An Act limiting the time within which real estate mortgages may be forcelosed.

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

Limitation of time for real estate mortgage foreclosures.— Section 1. No action or proceeding to foreclose a real estate mortgage, whether by action or advertisement, or otherwise, shall be maintained unless commenced within fifteen years from the maturity of the whole of the debt secured by said mortgage, and this limitation shall not be extended by the non-residence of any plaintiff or defendant or any party interested in the land upon which said mortgage is a lien in any action commenced to foreclose such mortgage, nor by reason of any payment made after such maturity, nor by reason of any extension of the time of payment of said mortgage or the debt or obligation thereby secured or any portion thereof, unless such extension shall be in writing and shall have been recorded in the same office in which the original mortgage is recorded, within the limitation period herein provided, or prior to the expiration of any previously recorded extension of such mortgage or debt, nor by reason of any disability of any party interested in said mortgage.

To run from date of first publication.—Sec. 2. The time within which any such action or proceeding may be commenced shall begin to run from the date of such mortgage, unless the time of the maturity of the debt or obligation secured by such mortgage shall be clearly stated in such mortgage.

Any action or proceeding to foreclose a real estate mortgage whether by action, by advertisement or otherwise, commenced within the period of limitation herein provided, may be prosecuted to completion notwithstanding the expiration of said period of limitation, and proceedings to foreclose a real estate mortgage by advertisement shall be deemed commenced on the date of the first publication of the notice of sale.

- Sec. 3. Nothing herein contained shall apply to any action or proceeding now pending.
- Sec. 4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after November 1, 1909.

Approved April 13, 1909.

## · CHAPTER 182—H. F. No. 76.

An Act to amend sections 1782, 1784, 1785 and 1787 of chapter 22, Revised Laws of Minnesota 1905, as amended by Session Laws of 1905, chapter 82, also to amend section 2087 of said Revised Laws, relating to the prevention and suppression of forest and prairie fires, and for appropriating money for the prevention and suppression of such fires.

Whereas, the Hinckley forest fire of 1894, and the Chisholm forest fire of 1908, are examples of the distress and injury resulting from negligent use of fire in the vicinity of forest lands.