## CHAPTER LXXVI.

March 1, 1872. An Act to amend Section Seven of Chapter Seventy of the General Statutes relating to Fees of Witnesses.

> Section 1. Amendment to section 7 of chapter 70 of the general statutes, providing for fees to be paid to experts as witnesses.

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

Experts may be allowed compensation as witnesses.

Section. 1. That section seven of chapter seventy of the general statutes be amended by adding to the end thereof the following proviso, viz: Provided, that the judge of any court of record in this state, before whom any witness is summoned or sworn and examined as an expert in any profession or calling may, in his discretion, allow such fees or compensation as, in his judgment, may be just and reasonable.

Approved March 1, 1872.

## CHAPTER LXXVII.

March 4, 1872. An Act to Prevent the Imprisonment of Witnesses in Certain Cases.

SECTION 1. Witnesses may be held on their own recognizance, when.

- 2. Repeal of chapter 71, of general laws of 1868.

3. When act to take effect.

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

Section 1. It shall not be lawful, except in cases of murder in first degree, arson where human life is destroyed, and cruel abuse of children, to commit or imprison any witness

who is willing and offers to enter into his or her own recog- witnesses may nizance without sureties to appear and testify in the case or prosecution in which his or her testimony is required. All persons held as witnesses shall receive such compensation when, during confinement as the judge of the court in which the case is pending shall direct, not exceeding regular witness fees.

be held on

Sec. 2. Chapter seventy-one of the general laws of 1868 and all acts and laws inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, except as above stated.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from

and after its passage.

Approved March 4, 1872.

## CHAPTER LXXVIII.

An Act to prevent the Destruction of Fish from the Waters of Hennepin, and Ramsey, also Washington Counties.

February 27,

Secrees 1. The catching of ash prohibited, when, in Hennepin and Ramsey counties.

- 2. Penalty for violation of this act.
- 3. Time of commencing prosecution limited.
- 4. By whom complaints to be made.
- 5. When act to take effect.

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

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to catch, kill, or destroy, or to spear fish at any season for the purpose sale, any fish known by the name of pickerel, or any fish known by the name of bass, from any lake, pond

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