

as fully and completely in the said district court as if originally the same therein were, whether it be specially or not in this act, mentioned.

SEC. 8. All recognizances, bonds, process and other papers heretofore issued, returnable at any term of the district or common pleas court as the said terms were established before the passage of this act, shall be returnable at the term of the district court as now fixed next succeeding that at which they were returnable.

SEC. 9. The judges of the said court of common pleas and the clerk thereof, shall cease to transact any business therein after this act takes effect, and the said judges of the court of common pleas shall receive no compensation as judges of said court of common pleas, after this act takes effect, but shall receive the same compensation as judges of district court as received by the present judge of said district court.

SEC. 10. An act entitled "An act relating to the court of common pleas in and for the county of Ramsey, and providing for an additional judge thereof," approved March 5, 1875, and an act entitled "An act relating to the terms and juries of the district court of the second judicial district," approved March 9, 1875, are hereby repealed; *Provided*, That the provisions of said last mentioned act in relation to the summoning of juries by special venire for the trial of issues of fact in cases wherein equitable relief is sought, shall continue in force, until the final adjournment of the general term of said district court now in progress; *And provided further*, That nothing contained in this act, shall have the effect to put an end to the general term of said district court now in progress, before the final adjournment thereof by said court.

SEC. 11. This act shall take effect and be in force in five days from and after its passage.

Approved March 2, 1876.

CHAPTER CCX.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ST. PAUL, IN RELATION TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF SAID CITY.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter ten of the charter of the city of St. Paul, in relation to fire department, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section :

Sec. 7. The common council shall have power at any time, whenever the best interests of the city may require it, to establish and maintain a paid fire department of said city, or in any part thereof, and said council shall have the sole and complete control and supervision of said fire department. *And provided, further*, That in order

to maintain and support said paid fire department, the common council shall elect all the officers and members of said department, provide their compensation, and shall establish by ordinance or resolution, such rules, regulations and by-laws as will ensure an efficient and faithful paid fire department.

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

Approved March 3, 1876.

CHAPTER CCXI.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT RELATING TO THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF ST PAUL, APPROVED MARCH 8th, 1875.

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

SECTION 1. That section three (3) of the act entitled, "an act to amend an act entitled an act to reduce the law incorporating the city of St. Paul, in the county of Ramsey, state of Minnesota, and the several acts amendatory thereof, and certain other acts relative to said city into one act and to amend the same," approved March 8th, A. D. 1875, be and the same is hereby amended by adding to said section, the following; *Provided however,* That in actions for the recovery of money only, when the amount demanded in the plaintiff's complaint exceeds the sum of one hundred dollars and not more than two hundred dollars, the said municipal court shall have in such case concurrent jurisdiction with the court of common pleas of Ramsey county, and the summons in such action may be served and returned in the same manner that like process is by law now authorized to be served and returned, issued out of said court of common pleas and with like force and effect, and the defendant in such cases shall be allowed twenty days from the time of the service of the summons upon him to make and file his answer in said court.

SEC. 2. Section seven of said act is amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 7. There shall be a clerk of said municipal court who shall be appointed by the judge of said court, and the judge shall have power to remove said clerk at pleasure, or he may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the whole number of aldermen elected to the city council. Such clerk before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall take and subscribe an oath to support the constitution of the United states and of the state of Minnesota, and to faithfully and honestly discharge and perform the duties of his office, and shall execute to the city of St. Paul a penal bond, in such sum and with such sureties as the council shall direct and approve, conditioned that he will account to and pay over to the treasurer of said city, on the first Tuesday of every month all fines penalties, fees, and other moneys belonging to or to go to said