ton, Kanabec, Kandiyohi, Le Sueur, Lyon, Meeker, McLeod, Nicollet, Olmsted, Pine, Pope, Renville, Rice, Sibley, Stearns, Steele, Swift, Waseca, Washington, Wright, the Seventh Senatorial District of Winona, and Yellow Medicine, Mower, and Faribault counties, who collectively shall own property of not less than twenty-five thousand (25,000) dollars, into a company for mutual insurance against loss or damage by fire, hail or lightning, which corporation may sue or be sued, contract or be contracted with, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity within the State, and it shall possess the usual duties of corporation, and the corporate name thereof shall embrace the name of the town in which the business office of the said company shall be located. The words "adjoining towns," as used in this section, mean not only all towns immediately adjoining the town in which the company's business office is located, but the towns which adjoin these also, and all towns within the boundaries of the county thus continuously adjoining.

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

after its passage.

Approved Feb. 21, 1881.

CHAPTER 21.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION THREE (3) OF CHAPTER NINE (9), GENERAL STATUTES OF ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT (1878). RELATING TO REMOVALS BY THE GOVERNOR.

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

Section 1. That section three (3) of chapter nine (9), General Statutes of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight (1878), be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

The Governor may remove from office any clerk of the supreme or district court, judge of probate, court commissioner, sheriff, coroner, auditor, register of deeds, county attorney, county superintendent of schools, or county commissioner, county treasurer or any collector, receiver or custodian of public moneys, whenever it appears to him, by competent evidence that either of such officers have been guilty of malfeasance or nonfeasance in the performance of his official duties, first giving to such officer a copy of the charges against him, and an opportunity to be heard in his defense.

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

after its passage.

Approved February 17, 1881...

Removal by Governor for malfeasance or nonfeasance in office.