CHAPTER 218.

AN ACT to authorize the county commissioners of Houston county to cancel and destroy certain county orders therein named.

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

SECTION 1. The county commissioners of Houston county are hereby authorized and directed to cancel and destroy all county orders of said county that were issued prior to January first (1st), eighteen hundred and seventy-five (1875), which now remain uncalled for and on file in the office of the county auditor of said county.

Provided, that said county auditor shall keep a record of the orders thus canceled and destroy the number and date of the same, the name of the persons to whom issued, the amount called for therein, and for what purpose the same were issued: and provided, further, that upon proper proof of the right of any person thereto, the said county commissioners shall be authorized to reissue the same or any one of them.

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

Approved March 2, 1881.

CHAPTER 219.

AN ACT to authorize the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company to acquire, construct, maintain and operate railroads in the State of Minnesota.

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

SECTION 1. The Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company, (a corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin), its successors and assigns, is hereby authorized and empowered to locate, construct, maintain and operate in the State of Minnesota, and to lease, sell or encumber the same, any railroad or railroads which, when constructed, could be operated in connection with any railroads now or hereafter to be lawfully acquired, operated or controlled by said Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company, in said State, as

an extension or branch thereof; and to that end, the said Chicago, St. Paul. Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company, its successors and assigns, shall have and possess, and may exercise and enjoy, in addition to the powers, privileges and franchises specially conferred upon said company, all the rights, powers, franchises, privileges and immunities, including the power of eminent domain, conferred by the laws of the State of Minnesota upon railway companies organized thereunder, and may also exercise throughout this State, in connection with any railroad now owned, controlled or operated by it, or which it may hereafter lawfully own, control or operate, the powers conferred upon the Chicago, St. Paul and Minneapolis Railway Company by chapter one hundred and eighty-three (183) of the Special Laws of Minnesota, of the year A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine (1879), as to the counties therein named; and the said Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company, its succesors and assigns, may acquire, by purchase, lease or otherwise, any railroad or railroads, or the stock or other securities thereof, now constructed or hereafter to be constructed in the State of Minnesota, so situated with reference to any railroad now owned or hereafter to be acquired by said Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company, its successors and assigns, as to constitute an extension, branch or feeder thereof, and which may be operated in connection therewith. *Provided*, however, that nothing herein contained shall authorize the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company, its successors or assigns, to acquire or control, by purchase or otherwise, any parallel and competing line of railroad within this State; and provided, further, that the said Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway company, its successors and assigns, shall, in exercising the power of eminent domain by this act conferred, and in all proceedings and appeals therein, be taken and held in all courts and places to be a domestic corporation; and provided further, that in all suits and proceedings upon causes of action arising in this State in which the said Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway company shall be a party, shall be deemed to be for all purposes a domestic corporation, and not otherwise.

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

Approved February 11, 1881.