

vassed and the result thereof declared in the manner provided by law for the returning, certifying and canvassing votes at the general election for the state officers and declaring the result thereof; and if it shall appear therefrom that a majority of the voters present and voting at said election upon said amendment have voted in favor of the same, then, immediately after the result shall have been ascertained, the governor shall make proclamation thereof and said amendment shall thereupon take effect and be in full force as a part of the constitution of the state of Minnesota.

Form of ballot.

SEC. 3. The ballot used at said election on said amendment shall have printed thereon: "Amendment to article four (4) of the constitution, allowing cities and villages in this state to frame their own city charters, 'Yes—No.'" And each elector voting on said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X) in one of the spaces left for the purpose upon the margin of the ballot used at said election as provided in section 28 of chapter 4 of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three. The elector desiring to vote for said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X) in the space so left opposite the word "Yes," and the elector desiring to vote against said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X) opposite the word "No." And no ballots shall be counted on said amendment except those having said cross mark (X) opposite one only of said words "Yes" or "No."

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 8, 1895.

CHAPTER 5.

S. F. No. 187.

An act proposing an amendment to section thirteen (13), article one (1), of the constitution of the state of Minnesota, relating to taking private property for public use.

To amend Sec. 13, Art. 1 of constitution.

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

SECTION 1. The following amendment to section thirteen (13), article one (1), of the constitution of the state of Minnesota is hereby proposed to the people of the state for their approval or rejection, that is to say, said section shall be amended to read as follows: Private property shall not be taken, destroyed or dam-

Text of amendment.

aged for public use, without just compensation therefor first paid or secured.

SEC. 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people of the state for their approval or rejection at the next general election for the year 1896, and each of the legal voters of the state may at said election vote by ballot for or against said amendment and the returns thereof shall be made and certified to, the votes and returns thereof declared in the manner provided by law, for returning, certifying and canvassing votes at general elections and declaring the results thereof. And if it shall appear therefrom that a majority of the voters present and voting at said election upon said amendment "Yes" or "No" have voted in favor of the same, then within ten days after the returns shall have been ascertained, the governor shall make proclamation thereof and said amendment shall thereupon take effect and be in full force as part of the constitution of the state of Minnesota.

Form of ballot.

SEC. 3. The ballots of all said elections and said amendments shall have printed thereon "Amendment to section thirteen (13) of article one (1) of the constitution relating to the taking or damaging private property for public use, Yes—No." And each elector voting on said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X), in one of the two spaces left for the purpose upon the margin of the ballot used at said election as provided in section one hundred (100) of chapter four (4) of the general laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three (1893).

The elector desiring to vote on said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X), on the space left opposite the word "Yes," and the voter desiring to vote against said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X) in the space opposite the word "No," and no ballots shall be counted on said amendment except those having said cross mark opposite one only of said words "Yes" or "No."

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 23, 1895.