eight hundred and ninety-four (1894), the same being section twenty (20) of chapter sixty-five (65), general statutes one thousand eight hundred and seventyeight (1878), be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

If, on the return of the process, or at any time before the trial commences, in any action or proceeding, civil or criminal, either party, his agent or attorney, makes and files an affidavit stating that the justice before whom the same is pending is a material witness for said defendant, without whose testimony he cannot safely proceed to trial; or that from prejudice, bias, or other cause, he believes such justice will not decide impartially in the matter; or if the justice is near of kin to the plaintiff, said justice shall on demand transfer said action, and all papers appertaining to the same, to some other justice of the same or an adjoining election district, or in case there be no other justice the same or in the adjoining election district, then to the nearest qualified and acting justice of the peace in the same county, who may thereupon proceed to hear and determine the same in the same manner as the justice before whom the said action or proceeding was commenced might have done; but no cause or proceeding shall be removed more than once, and no justice is required to transfer any civil action until all his costs in the same are paid.

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

Approved April 19, 1897.

CHAPTER 137.

S. F. No. 50.

When and how action may be trans-

ferred.

An act to amend section two (2) of chapter two hun- Primary dred and seventy-six (276) of the general laws of elections. eighteen hundred and ninety-five (1895), entitled An act relating to primary elections.

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

Section 1. That section two of chapter two hundred Not to apply and seventy-six of the general laws of eighteen hundred elections. and ninety-five, be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words following; Provided, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to primary elections held to elect delegates to a political convention to nominate one or more candidates for office to be voted for at a special

election, in which event the duly authorized committee of the political party holding or to hold such convention may give notice thereof, and of the primary elections to be held to elect delegates thereto in such manner and at such times and places assuch committee may determine.

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

and after its passage.

Approved April 19, 1897.

S. F. No. 318.

CHAPTER 138.

Pharmacists.

An act to amend section 7923 of the general statutes of 1894, so as to give additional time for certain persons to make application under said section 7923, to be entitled to registration as pharmacists within the full meaning of said section.

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

SECTION 1. That section seven thousand nine hundred and twenty-three (7923) general statutes one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four (1894), be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Regulating registration of pharmacists,

To be entitled to registration as a pharmacist within the full meaning of this act, the applicant must be a graduate in pharmacy, or a graduate in medicine, within the requirements of this act, or he must be not less than twenty-one years of age, and have had four years' practical experience in drug stores where prescriptions of medical practitioners have been usually compounded, and have sustained a satisfactory examination before the board of pharmacy of the state of Minnesota, or he must be at the time of the passage of this act a registered assistant. Nothing in this section contained shall impair the validity of any registration heretoforegranted by said board. But notwithstanding anything in this section hereinbefore contained any person who was on the fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled to registration as a registered pharmacist, and who is at the time of the passage of this act engaged in the business of a dispensing pharmacist in the state of Minnesota, and who shall within thirty days after the passage of this act, or within forty days after the passage of this amendment, file with the secretary of said board an application for registration, accompanied with his affidavit that he was on the fifth day of March aforesaid, as well