

bureau for the preceding year, and statistics showing the work of the bureau.

Certify
acceptance.

SEC. 6. If the said humane society shall accept the provisions of this act, they shall certify their acceptance of the same to the secretary of state and state auditor.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 18, 1905.

H. F. No. 232.

CHAPTER 275.

Acknowl-
edgments
legalized.

An act to legalize acknowledgments of conveyances and other instruments, and the record thereof.

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

Taken in
newly formed
counties.

SECTION 1. That all acknowledgments to any conveyances or other instruments heretofore taken, pending proceedings to determine the legality of any new county detached from another county, by a notary public residing in such new county, but using the seal of and laying the venue in such other county, be and the same are hereby legalized and made of the same validity as though taken in such other county before a notary public residing therein; and the record of such conveyances or other instruments are hereby declared to be legal and valid and effectual for all purposes; *provided*, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any action or proceeding now pending in any court of this state.

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

Approved April 18, 1905.

H. F. No. 468.

CHAPTER 276.

Co-operative
associations.

An act entitled "An act to amend section 2903 of General Statutes of the State of Minnesota for the year 1894, providing for the organization of co-operative associations and defining their powers.

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

SECTION 1. That section 2903 of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota for the year 1894 be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Seven or more persons of lawful age, inhabitants of this state, may, by written articles of agreement, associate themselves together for the purposes of trade or for carrying on an lawful mercantile, manufacturing, agricultural or rural telephone business within this state; and when such articles of association shall have been executed and recorded in the office of the clerk of the city or town in which the business is to be carried on, such persons shall be and become a corporation, and enjoy all the powers and privileges, and can buy and hold stock in other corporations organized for the same general purpose, and be subject to all duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in all general laws in relation to similar corporations, except so far as the same may be limited or enlarged by this act.

How formed.

record.

Powers.

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

Approved April 18, 1905.

CHAPTER 277.

H. F. No. 538.

An act to add certain lands to Itasca State Park.

Itasca State Park.

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

SECTION 1. The west one-half ($W\frac{1}{2}$) of the west one-half ($W\frac{1}{2}$) of section twenty (20), and the west one-half ($W\frac{1}{2}$) of the northwest one-quarter ($NW\frac{1}{4}$) of section twenty-nine (29), all in township one hundred forty-three (143) north of range thirty-five (35) west, situated in Hubbard county, is hereby added to and made a part of Itasca State Park.

Certain lands added to.

SEC. 2. Chapter 218 of the Laws of 1903 is hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 18, 1905.