being taken as parkways, and among other things to exclude from such parkways all vehicles in use for any purpose except carrying passengers. For the purpose of this act the term "parkway" shall include the roadways and carriage-ways of parks as well as parkways.

Improvements.—Sec. 2. That this act shall not divest or deprive the common council of any such city of any jurisdiction or power now existing by virtue of any statute or charter, to levy assessments for the grading, protecting, improving and ornamenting of any public park, square or grounds now or hereafter laid out, and for planting and protecting shade and ornamental trees and for constructing or reconstructing sewers, sidewalks, retaining walls, gutters, curbing, and for boulevards, macadamizing and paving in or upon any such streets set apart for park and parkway purposes.

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

Approved April 25, 1907.

## CHAPTER 441-S. F. No. 517.

An Act to establish a state board of visitors for public institutions in the State of Minnesota.

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

Appointments—term.—Section 1. The governor with the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint six persons, not more than three of whom shall be from the same political party, who shall serve, two for two years, two for four years, and two for six years, as indicated by the governor upon their appointment, and at the expiration of each term the successor shall be appointed in like manner for a term of six years. The governor shall be ex-officio a member of this board. These persons shall constitute the state board of visitors for public institutions in the State of Minnesota, and they shall serve without compensation, their traveling expenses alone being paid by the state. They shall appoint such clerical help as they deem necessary, and a room shall be provided for their meetings in the state house; and there is hereby appropriated from any funds in the state treasury,

not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), per annum from July 31st, 1907, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the expenses of the board. All accounts and expenditures shall be certified as may be provided by the board, and shall be paid by the state treasurer upon an order from the state auditor.

Meetings—rules.—Sec. 2. Regular meetings of the said board shall be held quarterly or oftener, if required. board shall make such rules and regulations for the transaction of business as they may deem necessary. They shall study the whole subject of the care and management of charitable and correctional institutions, and they shall visit those within the bounds of the state, whether state, county or municipal, and the officer in charge of said institution shall furnish to said board, upon its request, such information as it may require. The governor may at any time in his discretion order an investigation by the said board of visitors or by a committee therefrom of any penal or charitable institution in the state, and said board shall have power to send for persons and papers, and to administer oaths and affirmations, and the report of such investigation with the testimony shall be submitted to the governor, and by him transmitted with his recommendations to the legislature.

Report.—Sec. 3. The state board of visitors shall make a full report to the legislature every two years of its transactions, and one thousand (1,000) copies of said report shall be printed.

- Sec. 4. No member of the board of visitors, or employe, shall be an employe of, or interested directly or indirectly in any contract for the building or maintenance of any institution which the board is authorized to visit.
- Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.
  - . Approved April 25, 1907.