

9. When authorized by a vote of the people, to purchase or condemn land, for the purpose of holding thereon agricultural fairs and exhibitions; to accept and receive a donation or donations to be used to obtain lands for the purpose of holding thereon agricultural fairs and exhibitions and in such case and for such purpose, without being authorized by a vote of the people, to purchase or condemn lands not exceeding in value the amount of such donation or donations; to improve and erect structures thereon, for which purposes they may receive donations of money, materials or labor; and to lease such land from time to time to agricultural and other societies of similar nature and to establish reasonable rules and regulations under which such land may be used by all such societies in the county; *provided*, that all structures and improvements made on such land by societies using the same shall belong to the county.

All proceedings for the condemnation of such lands shall be had under the provisions of chapter 41 Revised Laws 1905 and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

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

Approved April 18, 1911.

CHAPTER 256—S. F. No. 416.

An Act to amend sections 311 and 312 of the Revised Laws of 1905, relating to the care and custody of ballots after completion of the canvass of the votes at any election.

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

Ballots to be placed in sealed envelopes after canvassing.—

Section 1. That section 311 of the Revised Laws of 1905 be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 311. Disposal of ballots after canvass. As soon as practicable after the canvass has been completed before the board separates or adjourns and in the presence of all the judges, the ballots shall be removed from the boxes and placed in envelopes of the same color as the ballots and of a size to hold the ballots of each box without folding. Envelopes suitable for this purpose shall be furnished by the county auditor to each election precinct. After the ballots are in place, the envelopes shall be carefully sealed and each election judge shall write his name upon the envelope over the sealed part in such a way that the

envelope cannot be opened without disturbing the continuity of the lines in the writing. The number of ballots in each envelope and name of the election precinct shall also be plainly written upon the envelope.

To be returned to county auditor.—Sec. 2. That section 312, Revised Laws 1905, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 312. Return of ballots to county auditor. As soon as the ballots have been placed in their envelopes and properly sealed and one of the judges has been chosen to deliver election returns to the county auditor, the envelopes shall be delivered to such judge and he shall personally deliver or by registered mail send the same to the county auditor. The county auditor shall file all envelopes containing ballots thus transmitted to him in his office and shall keep them in a safe place with seals unbroken until the next general election, unless previously opened by proper authority for examination or recount.

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

Approved April 18, 1911.

CHAPTER 257—S. F. No. 418.

An Act to amend chapter 487, Laws of 1909, defining who are vagrants and providing for their punishment.

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

Obtaining money by trick devise a public offense.—Section 1. That subdivision 8, chapter 487 of the Laws of 1909, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

8. A person engaged in practicing or attempting any trick or device to procure money or other thing of value, if such trick or device is made a public offense by any law of this state, or any person engaged in soliciting, procuring or attempting to solicit or procure money or other thing of value by falsely pretending and representing himself to be blind, deaf, dumb, without arms or legs, or to be otherwise physically deficient or to be suffering from any physical defect or infirmity.

Every such person shall upon conviction thereof be punished by imprisonment not exceeding ninety (90) days, or by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

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