State of Minnesota for the year 1899, now known as Sections 2888, 2889, and 2890, Revised Laws of the State of Minnesota, 1905, relating to the admission of foreign corporations for pecuniary profit to do business in this state and requiring certain fees to be paid by such corporations, and has paid into the State Treasury the fees provided for by said law, and has obtained from the Secretary of State a certificate that said corporation has complied with the laws of this state in this respect, or has complied in whole or in part, or attempted to comply with the provisions of Section 3060 of the Revised Laws of Minnesota, 1905, as the same originally existed, or as the same was amended by Chapter 24 of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1909, or has deposited securities with the Superintendent of Banks in the amount of not less than One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars, under the provisions of said section 3060, and which corporation heretofore has made, or which shall hereafter within 60 days after the taking effect of this act make the deposit of securities with the Superintendent of Banks as now required by the laws of the State of Minnesota, and within the said time shall comply with all the provisions of the laws of the said state relative to such foreign corporations transacting such business in the State of Minnesota, are hereby legalized, confirmed and validated, and all such contracts are hereby made valid and enforceable by or against any such corporation, as fully and to the same extent as if such corporation had in all things complied with the laws of said state before transacting any of said business in said state.

Sec. 2. Not to apply to pending actions.—This act shall not apply to any action now pending in the State of Minnesota wherein the validity of such contracts or conveyances is called in question on account of the failure of any such corporation sooner to comply with such law.

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

Approved April 8, 1915.

CHAPTER 93-H. F. No. 914.

An Act to amend Sections 176, 177, 178, 180, 182, 184 and 185 General Statutes of Minnesota for the year 1913, relating to the manner, time and place of holding terms of District Court in the Eleventh Judicial District of Minnesota.

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

Section 1. General term of district court to be held in Ely on third Tuesday in January and second Tuesday in August annually.—That Section 176 General Statutes of Minnesota for the

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year 1913 be amended so as to read when amended as follows:

"Sec. 176. General terms of the District Court for the County of St. Louis, are hereby established to be held in the city of Virginia, in said County on the first Tuesday of April and the fourth Tuesday of August and the first Tuesday of December, in each year, and in the village of Hibbing on the first Tuesday of February and June and the fourth Tuesday of October in each year, and at the city of Ely on the third Tucsday in January and the second Tuesday in August in each year, for the trial of all actions and proceedings, civil and criminal, with the same force and effect as though held at the County seat of said County; and said terms shall be in addition to the general terms of said District Court held at the County seat of said County, as now provided by law. Provided, that all proceedings for the registration of title to real estate shall be tried at the County Seat of said County, as now provided by law. Provided further, that all other actions involving title to real estate shall be tried at . the County Seat of said County, except that by written consent of all parties thereto any such action may be tried at said city of Virginia, or the village of Hibbing or city of Ely. Provided further, that in any action involving the title to real estate if the plaintiff shall in his summons and complaint state that he desires such action tried at the city of Virginia or the village of Hibbing or the city of Ely, such action shall be tried at such city or village, unless the defendant or any one of the defendants in said action shall in his answer demand that said action be tried at the Provided further, that no officer having in his County seat. custody any of the public records of St. Louis County shall be required to produce any of said records at the trial of any action herein provided for, except at the County Seat, save on an order of said Court providing for the immediate return of any such records to the proper office. Provided further, that such regular terms of Court shall not be held at the village of Hibbing or the city of Ely as aforesaid, unless the said village of Hibbing and said city of Ely shall have previously, without any expenses to the County of St. Louis, provided suitable rooms for the holding of such terms of Court and the accommodation of the Clerk and a proper place for the confinement of prisoners during such terms."

Sec. 2. Special term to be fixed by the court.—That Section 177, General Statutes of Minnesota, 1913, be amended so as to read when amended as follows:

"Sec. 177. Special terms of said District Court shall also be held at said city of Virginia at least once in each month and at said village of Hibbing, at least once in each month, on such days and at such times as the Court may designate by order, for the hearing of such matters as are usually heard at special terms and at Chambers in the District court, and the Court may by order, provide for holding special terms of Court at the city of Ely at any time when in the judgment and discretion of the court it shall deem expedient so to do, for the hearing of such matters as are usually heard at special terms and at chambers, in the District court, and may in such order if he deems it expedient, provide for the trial of issues of fact and law in cases where such action is to be tried by the Court without a jury or a jury has been waived by the parties to the action, and such waiver has been filed with the Clerk of Court."

Sec. 3. Resident chief deputy clerk for Ely.—That Section 178 General Statutes of Minnesota for the year 1913, be amended so as to read when amended as follows:

"Sec. 178. There shall be at all times a Chief Deputy sheriff of said County and a Chief Deputy clerk of said District Court and such other deputies as may be necessary, resident at said city of Virginia, or said city of Ely or the village of Hibbing and their appointment shall be made in the same manner as other deputy sheriffs and deputy clerks of the District court in said counties. The salaries of such deputies shall be fixed and paid in the same manner as other such deputies, except that the salary of such Chief Deputies shall be not less than two thousand dollars (\$2,000.) per year. But the offices of said Deputy Sheriff and the offices of said Deputy Clerk at Virginia and Hibbing and Ely shall not in any sense be considered or deemed to be the office of the sheriff or the office of the clerk of said Court for any purpose, except for the performance of their respective duties, relating solely to proceedings tried or to be tried at said city of Virginia or said city of Ely or village of Hibbing, except that marriage licenses and naturalization papers may be issued by said Deputy clerk.

Sec. 4. Grand and petit jurors.—That Sec. 180 of the General Statutes of Minnesota be amended so as to read when amended as follows:

"Sec. 180. Grand and petit jurors for each of said general terms shall be selected, drawn and summoned in the same manner in all respects as for the general terms of said court held at the County Seat of said County, except when in the discretion of the Court, there will be no necessity of drawing a grand jury or petit jury, the Court may enter its order directing that no grand jury or petit jury be summoned for the particular term therein mentioned."

Sec. 5. Trial of criminal actions.—That Section 182 of the General Statutes of Minnesota 1913, be amended so as to read when amended as follows:

"Sec. 182. All persons bound over to the Grand Jury, charged with a criminal offense, by any justice of the peace or

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municipal court, shall be tried at the place of holding regular terms of said district court, which is nearest to the court binding said party over; except as hereinafter provided; and all criminal offenses committed in any city, village, township or unorganized territory shall be tried at the place of holding the regular term of said district court which is nearest to said city, village, township or place where said offense is committed. Provided that when said offense is committed nearer to Virginia or Hibbing or Ely than to the county seat, the party committing said offense shall be tried at the first term of court to be held at either Virginia or Hibbing or Elu at which a grand jury is in session. Provided further, that when such offense is committed nearer the city of Ely than any of the other places referred to, said cause, in the discretion of the Court, or on demand of the person charged with the offense, may be tried at said city of Ely."

Sec. 6. Commencement of civil actions at the court of Ely.—That Section 184 of the General Statutes of Minnesota, 1913 be amended so as to read when amended as follows:

Any party wishing to have any civil cause com-"Sec. 184. menced by him in said Court, tried in said city of Virginia, shall in the summons issued therein, in addition to the usual provisions, print, stamp or write thereon the words "to be tried at the city of Virginia", and any party wishing any civil cause commenced by him in said Court tried at the Village of Hibbing, shall in the summons issued therein, in addition to the usual provisions, print, stamp or write thereon the words, "to be tried at the village of Hibbing," and any party wishing any civil cause commenced by him in said Court tried at the city of Ely, shall in the summons issued therein, in addition to the usual provisions, print, stamp or write thereon the words, "to be tried at the City of Ely;" and in all cases where any summons contains any such specifications, the case shall be tried at said city of Virginia or the village of Hibbing or city of Ely, as the case may be, unless the defendant shall have the place of trial fixed in the manner hereinafter set out.

If the place of trial designated is not the proper place of trial, as specified in this act, the cause shall nevertheless be tried in such place, unless the defendant, in his answer in addition to the other allegations of defense, shall plead the location of his residence, and demand that such action be tried at the place of holding said court nearest his residence as herein provided; and in any case where the answer of the defendant pleads such place of residence and makes such demand of place of trial, the plaintiff in his reply, may admit or deny such allegations of residence, and if such allegations of residence be not expressly denied, such cause shall be tried at the place so demanded by the defendant, and if the allegations of residence be so denied, then the place of trial shall be determined by the Court of motion.

If there are several defendants, residing at different places in said county, the trial shall be at the place which the majority of such defendants unite in demanding, or if the numbers are equal, at the place nearest the residence of the majority.

Nothing in this act contained, however, shall be construed to abridge the power of the court, for cause shown to change the place of trial of any such action or proceeding, civil or criminal."

Sec. 7. Judgments rendered by the district court in City of Ely to be docketed at the county seat.—That Section 185 General Statutes of Minnesota 1913, be amended so as to read when amended as follows:

"Sec. 185. After the place of trial of any cause is determined, as provided in this act, all papers, orders and documents pertaining to all causes to be tried at Virginia, *Ely* or Hibbing and filed in Court, shall lie filed and be kept on file at the Clerk's office in the city of Virginia.

In all actions tried at the city of Virginia or city of Ely or the village of Hibbing, the clerk of said Court as soon as final judgment is entered, shall forthwith cause such judgment to be docketed in his office at the County seat; and when so docketed the same shall become a lien on real estate and have the same effect as judgments entered in causes tried at the county seat.

Provided, that in all actions tried at said city of Virginia or city of Ely or said village of Hibbing, involving the title to real estate, upon final judgment being entered, all the papers in said cause shall be filed in the Clerk's office at the county seat and the final judgment or decree recorded therein, and a certified copy of all papers in said cause shall be made by the clerk and retained at the clerk's office in the city of Virginia, without additional charge to the parties to said action."

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

Approved April 8, 1915.

CHAPTER 94-H. F. No. 977.

An Act to empower counties bordering on the Mississippi River to make appropriations to aid and assist any city of the fourth class, situated on the Mississippi River and located in or adjoining such counties, in paying for, improving and keeping in repair any bridge crossing the Mississippi River at such city.

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

Section 1. County commissioners authorized to assist in building bridges across the Mississippi river.—In all counties