line, paints or other material or commodity used or to be purchased and used by said city, and perform such other duties and undertake such investigation and researches as may be re-

quired by the mayor or the common council.

Sec. 3. Salaries of chemist and assistants.—The said city chemist shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of twenty-five hundred (\$2,500) dollars per year; his first and second assistants, the sum of not to exceed twelve hundred (\$1,200) dollars per year, each; three other assistants, the sum of not to exceed one thousand (\$1,000) dollars per year, each; and one assistant at not to exceed nine hundred (\$900) dollars per year. Not exceeding two of the assistants receiving one thousand (\$1,000) dollars per year, shall receive an additional salary of not to exceed thirty (\$30.00) dollars per month, provided that, if employed as inspectors of street lighting, they shall provide themselves with horses and buggies or other equally effective means of transportation for use in such inspection.

Sec. 4. When effective and what shall be operative.—This act shall be applicable only to cities of over 50,000 inhabitants, governed by a charter adopted under and pursuant to Article

4, Section 36, of the constitution of this state.

Sec. 5. This act shall be in force and in effect from and after its passage, but if by virtue of any law, charter amendment, or charter heretofore enacted to take effect in the future, said Chapter 64 of the Laws of 1911, shall cease to be operative because superseded by such law or charter, this amendment shall not in any such case be construed to continue said Chapter 64 in force beyond the time when it would otherwise cease to be operative by reason of such law, charter amendment or charter.

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CHAPTER 251—S. F. No. 513.

An Act entitling certain certified copies of the records of death of persons to record and making such copies, the record thereof and certified copies of such record prima facie evidence of the death of such persons and of the termination of joint tenancy and of all such other estate, title, interest and lien to or in any real estate as is or was limited upon the life of such persons.

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

Section 1. Record properly filed and recorded to be prima facie evidence of death of person.—That in all cases of joint tenancy in lands, and in all cases where any estate, title interest in, or lien upon, lands, has been or may be, created, which

estate, title interest or lien was, or is, to continue only during the life of any person named or described in the instrument by which such estate, title, interest or lien was created, a copy of the record of the death of any such joint tenant, or of the person upon whose life such estate, title, interest or lien was or is limited, duly certified by any officer who is required by the law of the state or country in which such record is made, to keep a record of the death of persons occurring within the jurisdiction of such officer, may be recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which such lands are situated, and such certified copy or such record thereof in said office or a duly certified copy of such last mentioned record shall be prima facie evidence of the death of such person and the termination of such joint tenancy and of all such estate, title, interest and lien as was or is limited upon the life of such person.

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CHAPTER 252-S. F. No. 517.

An Act to compel railroad companies to install and maintain scales and furnish water in railroad stock yards for free public use and prohibiting the installation and maintenance of private scales in such stock yards.

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

Section 1. Stock scales at stock yards.—The railroad and warehouse commission shall have the power to order in and require the installation and maintenance of stock scales at all stock yards in the state where the same are deemed to be necessary, and to fix the capacity of said scales, which said scales shall be for the free use of all patrons of such stock yards, shipping live stock from, into or through such stock yards.

Sec. 2. Installation of private scales prohibited.—All railroad companies maintaining stock yards at railroad stations within this state shall within ninety (90) days after the passage of this act and thereafter prohibit the installation or maintenance of scales of any kind belonging to any person, corporation or firm other than railroad companies as provided in Section One of this act, and the installation, use and maintenance of such private scales in such stock yards is hereby prohibited.

Sec. 3. Commission to have power to force company to furnish water.—The railroad and warehouse commission shall also have power to order the railroad company to furnish water for the use of stock at all stockyards in the state, where the same

is deemed to be necessary.