person left heir or heirs, said court shall determine who such heir or heirs are and the amount so escheated, and file its decision to that effect with the state auditor; then the state auditor shall draw his warrant on the state treasurer of said state, for the payment of said money to such heir or heirs, or to his, her or their attorney in fact, upon the recording of his power of attorney in the office of the state auditor of said state.

\$902.24 appropriated.—Sec. 2. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$902.24, or so much thereof as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

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

Approved March 12, 1909.

## CHAPTER 59-S. F. No. 279.

An Act to amend section 148, Revised Laws, 1905, relating to the qualifications and powers of court commissioners.

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

Powers of court commissioners extended.—Section 1. That section 148, Revised Laws, 1905, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"148. Court commissioners shall be men learned in the law, and shall have and may exercise the judicial powers of a judge of the district court at chambers. Among other powers conferred by law, they are empowered to issue writs of habeas corpus, to take acknowledgment of deeds and other written instruments, to take depositions and certify to the same, to perform the marriage ceremony, to take disclosures in garnishment proceedings pending in the district court, and orders for the examination of judgment debtors in proceedings supplementary to execution may be made returnable before the court commissioner."

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

Approved March 12, 1909.