

this chapter, and the treasurer shall so notify said company immediately that their certificate is canceled; and no insurance company aforesaid, or any agent thereof shall transact any business within this state until such company has in all respects complied with the provisions of said title 6, and any person or persons who shall transact or attempt to transact any business for any such company, before it has complied with the provisions of said title 6, shall be subject to the same penalties and liabilities as in section 125, of title 6, of chapter 34 in the general statutes.

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

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## CHAPTER XXI.

March 9, 1867

### *An Act to provide for the organization of Agricultural Societies.*

SECTION 1—Empowers citizens of any county to form agricultural societies.

2—Powers of agricultural societies.

3—Societies on formation to file copies of constitution, &c., with register of deeds.

4—Provides for annual meeting.

5—Delegates to state agricultural society.

6—Place of meeting to be determined by majority of delegates.

7—Organized societies to have same privileges.

8.—When act to take effect.

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

May form societies

SECTION 1. That any number of citizens of any county, or two or more counties jointly, who shall associate themselves together and comply with the

provisions of this act, shall be a body politic and corporate, and shall be known as the agricultural society of such county or counties; *Provided*, That only one society shall be organized under this act in any county.

SEC. 2. Such agricultural societies shall possess the following powers, to wit:

Powers of societies

*First*—To have perpetual succession.

*Second*—To sue and be sued by their corporate name.

*Third*—To adopt corporate seals, which they may alter at pleasure.

*Fourth*—To adopt such constitutions and by-laws, and to alter and amend the same from time to time, and to make such rules and regulations as they may deem proper or necessary for the good order and general management of such societies.

*Fifth*—To purchase and hold any real or personal estate which shall be deemed necessary to promote the objects of such societies; and to sell and convey all such real estate, said conveyance being executed by the president and secretary of such society.

*Sixth*—The officers of such societies, and also of the State Agricultural Society, shall have full jurisdiction and control of the grounds upon which the society may hold its fairs, and of the streets and grounds adjacent thereto, during such fair, so far as may be necessary to preserve and keep good order. And any person who shall willfully violate the rules or regulations of such societies during the days of the fair, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine of not less than five nor more than twenty-five dollars. Such offender may be tried before any justice of the peace.

SEC. 3. Each agricultural society shall, upon its organization, file a copy of its constitution and by-laws in the office of the register of deeds in and for the county in which such society shall be located; and the secretary of such county agricultural society shall at or before the annual meeting of such society, make an annual report of their proceedings during the year. The report shall contain a statement of the transactions of the society at its fair, showing the number of entries, the amount of money received, and from what

Duty of society

source, together with the amount paid out for premiums and for other purposes; also a full statement of the entire receipts and disbursements of the society for the year.

**To hold meetings** SEC. 4. Each agricultural society shall hold at such place as the society may determine, an annual meeting for the election of officers and for the transaction of other necessary business.

**Delegates** SEC. 5. The agricultural society of any county or counties may elect two delegates who, together with the president of said society acting as delegate *ex officio*, shall represent said county or counties in the state agricultural society.

**Place of meeting** SEC. 6. The said delegates shall meet together at the city of St. Paul or at any other place in the state that may be determined on by a majority of the delegates, at any annual meeting of said society, on the first Wednesday in February in each year, and at the first meeting after the passage of this act shall file articles of their incorporation and constitution in the office of the secretary of state.

**Powers of society** SEC. 7. Agricultural societies which may be already organized in any county or counties of this state, may have all the powers and privileges of societies organized under this act by complying with the provisions of section three of this act.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, March 9, 1867.