

When act to take effect.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 6, 1871.

CHAPTER XXIX.

March 6, 1871.

An Act to procure returns from Agricultural Societies in the State of Minnesota, which are receiving State aid.

SECTION 1. Duty of Executive Committee of State Agricultural Society—duty of Governor—
forfeiture of fund in case of failure to make report.

2. Duty of Secretary of Society.
3. Repeal of inconsistent acts.

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

Duty of executive committee—
duty of Governor—
forfeiture of funds, when.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the executive committee of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society, as also of each county agricultural society, to keep a correct account of the manner of expenditure of the sums of money received from the state (in pursuance of an act approved February twenty-seventh, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, being an act to appropriate money to agricultural societies) and transmit a certified copy of said account, signed by the president and secretary of said society, to the governor of this state, on or before the first day of January in each year, to be laid by him before the legislature. *Provided*, That a failure to make the required report of the disbursements of the fund received, for one year, shall make a forfeiture of the share of the fund which the defaulting society would otherwise have been entitled to for the year succeeding.

Duty of secretary.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the secretary of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society on or before the first day of November in each year, to transmit to the secretary of each county agricultural society, appropriate blanks for making the returns required by section one of this act,

a statement written or printed on the same, certifying the time when returns shall be made, what said returns must contain and the penalty if returns are not made according to law.

SEC. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed. Repeal of inconsistent acts.

Approved March 6, 1871.

CHAPTER XXX.

An Act to encourage the planting and growing of timber and shade trees. March 6, 1871.

- SECTION 1. An annual bounty for the encouragement of planting and growing timber and shade trees—in what sum.
2. When Board of County Commissioners to authorize warrants to be drawn for the bounty herein specified.
 3. Affidavit to be filed each year—what to contain.
 2. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. Every person planting one acre or more of prairie land within five years after the passage of this act with any kind of forest trees, except black locust, and successfully growing and cultivating the same for three years, and every person planting, protecting and cultivating for three years, one half mile or more of forest trees along any public highway, said trees to be planted so as to stand at the end of three years, not more than one rod apart, shall be entitled to receive for ten years, commencing three years after said grove or line of trees has been planted, an annual bounty of two dollars per acre for each acre so planted, and two dollars for each one-half mile so planted, to be paid out of the county treasury of the county in which said grove or line of trees Bounty for planting and growing trees—what amount.