CHAPTER XXVI.

An Act authorizing the Railroad Commissioner to examine March '4, 1872. the Books and Accounts of Railroad Corporations doing business in this State and to provide for the expense thereof in certain cases.

SECTION 1. Railroad Commissioner authorized to examine books and accounts of railroad companies.

2. To report result of his examination to the legislature.

3. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. The railroad commissioner shall at least once in each and every year examine the books and accounts of each and every railroad corporation doing business in this state to ascertain the amount of gross earnings of each road, and shall have authority to examine under oath any officer, agent or employee of the company, concerning the gross earnings and business of the road; provided, that when the general office of any such corporation shall be located without this state, said corporation shall pay the commissioner the extra expenses of such examination rendered necessary by such location, upon vouchers approved by the Governor.

SEC. 2. The commissioner shall report the result of Report to the such examination to the legislature during the first week legislature. of the session.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from When act to take effect.

Approved March 4, 1872.

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