

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

SECTION 1. That whenever any lime shall be sold by the bushel, or barrel, and no special agreement as to the weight or measure thereof is made by the parties, the measure shall be ascertained by weight, as follows: Eighty pounds for a bushel, and two hundred pounds for a barrel of lime. And when sold by measurement the standard bushel shall contain twenty-six hundred and eighty-eight cubic inches.

Standard of weight.

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

When act to take effect.

Approved March 9, 1875.

CHAPTER LXXXVIII.

AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF EXPORTERS OF GRAIN FROM THIS STATE.

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

SECTION 1. That all common carriers doing business within this state engaged in the transportation of grain, shall, when requested, give a receipt for the number of bushels or pounds of grain delivered to them for transportation, and shall deliver the number of bushels or pounds so receipted for to the consignee thereof, or to the line or lines or common carrier with which they may connect, or to which they may deliver the same to be forwarded to the point of destination, less the usual loss from transportation, not exceeding forty-five pounds to each car.

Lines of transportation to give receipts for what purpose.

SEC. 2. That any such common carrier, or the agent of such common carrier, who shall refuse to give a receipt as herein provided for, shall pay a fine of not more than fifty dollars nor less than ten dollars for each and every violation of this act, to be recovered before any justice of the peace; and any such common carrier refusing or neglecting to deliver the amount of grain so receipted for to the consignee thereof, or to the common carrier to which such grain may be delivered to be carried to the point of destination, shall, in addition to the civil liability of such common carrier for all loss or shrinkage, except as above provided, be subject to a penalty of not less than fifty dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, for each and every such refusal or neglect, to be recovered before any justice of the peace.

Penalty for refusing to give receipt.

Prosecutions—
how conducted.

SEC. 3. All prosecutions under the provisions of this act shall be carried on in the name of the state, and be prosecuted under the direction of the attorney general.

When act to
take effect.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after September first, eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

Approved March 4, 1875.

CHAPTER LXXXIX.

AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND READING ROOMS.

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

Penalty for de-
facing or injur-
ing books of
public libra-
ries.

SECTION 1. Any person who shall willfully cut, mutilate, mark, tear, deface, or otherwise injure or destroy, in whole or in part, any book, map, document, picture, or written or engraved or printed paper, belonging to any public library or reading room in this state, shall, upon conviction thereof before any city justice, or justice of the peace, having jurisdiction in criminal offenses, be fined for each and every such offense, a sum not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars, and in default of the payment of such fine, be committed to the county jail of the county in which the said offense was committed, not less than thirty nor more than ninety days. And such conviction shall not act as a bar to a civil suit against the party committing the injury or damage, to recover the value of the property so injured or destroyed, which suit may be brought by any competent officer of the library owning said property.

What constitu-
tes a public
library.

SEC. 2. A "public library" shall, for the purposes of this act, be construed to mean any collection of books, documents or papers belonging to the state or to any of its institutions, or to any incorporated society, association or literary institution, for the use of the public or of the members of said society or institution.

When act to
take effect.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.
Approved February 19, 1875.