

## CHAPTER CCXIV.

AN ACT RELATING TO JURIES IN THE COUNTY OF RAMSEY, AND TO REPEAL CERTAIN ACTS RELATING THERETO.

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

SECTION 1. That the judge of the district court and court of common pleas, together with the chairman of the board of county commissioners and the county assessor for the county of Ramsey, second judicial district, shall annually, on or before the first Monday, of April, select from the qualified electors of the several wards in the city of St. Paul and towns of said county, one hundred persons properly qualified to serve as grand jurors and two hundred or more persons properly qualified to serve as petit jurors for said court, and make out separate lists thereof, which lists shall be certified by said judges or one of them and delivered to the clerk of the district court of said county, from which lists so to be selected and the other lists herein provided for shall be drawn all grand and petit jurors at any time required for the transaction of the business of said courts or either of them; *Provided*, That in case of a failure to so select and certify within the times provided, or in case a deficiency shall be found of either grand or petit jurors, and other or additional jurors shall be required, the said judges and said chairman and assessor or any one of said judges and said chairman or assessor shall make out and certify to said clerk an additional number of names of electors sufficient to supply such deficiency.

SEC. 2. In making said lists said officials shall select such persons as they have good reason to believe are not exempt by law from such service and shall select and list such persons of the business men and other electors as they believe are best qualified by education, moral character and integrity to discharge the duties of jurors.

SEC. 3. That in addition to the persons exempt from serving on juries by the provisions of section four (4) of chapter 107 of the General Statutes relating to grand juries, the following persons shall not be eligible to serve as grand jurors to wit: The commissioners of the county, all county officers, the aldermen of the city of St. Paul, the city treasurer, clerk and comptroller, and members of the board of education of said city.

SEC. 4. That on receipt of such list of jurors so selected and certified the clerk of the district court shall write the names of the several persons so returned as grand jurors on separate pieces of paper and fold and deposit the same to be drawn as provided in section five of the said act, [chapter 107] relating to grand juries, and in like manner write and deposit in a separate box the names of the several persons so returned as petit jurors, from which list

and names of petit jurors so made and deposited shall be drawn all persons required as petit jurors in either of said courts, as talesmen or otherwise; *Provided*, That the presiding judge upon the trial of any indictment may by order direct persons whose names have not been drawn from the lists so returned to be summoned and empanelled for the trial of such indictments.

SEC. 5. That no person shall be excused from service as a juror on account of being engaged in any business or employment, unless the person so claiming exemption shall satisfy the court that he is a clerk or employee and that such service as a juror will probably cause such employee to lose his situation as such. That in case a person summoned as a juror at any term shall have served for two weeks as a petit juror in either of said courts, within six months immediately prior to the time at which an exemption shall be claimed, such prior service shall entitle such person to an exemption for and during the term of such court, at which such exemption is claimed.

SEC. 6. That each grand and petit juror shall receive the sum of one dollar for each day's service as such and no more, to be paid by the county treasurer, upon the certificate of the clerk of said district court. That persons summoned and attending as jurors actually residing, beyond the limits of the city of St. Paul may be allowed at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents per day for such service, but no mileage shall in any case be allowed.

SEC. 7. That the provisions of the General Statutes relative to grand and petit jurors and jury trials, shall be applicable to the said district court and court of common pleas of said county of Ramsey, so far as the same are not changed by the provisions of this act, or inconsistent therewith.

SEC. 8. That no person who shall hereafter become a member of a fire company shall for that reason be exempt from petit or grand jury duty.

SEC. 9. That the act entitled "An act relative to jurors and their fees in Ramsey county," approved February 29th, 1873 and the act relative to juries approved March 1st, 1873, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1876.

## CHAPTER CCXV.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT, ENTITLED, "AN ACT IN RELATION TO ASSESSMENTS FOR TAXES IN THE COUNTY OF RAMSEY.

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

SECTION 1. Section four of said act is amended so as to read as follows: