hundred and seventy-seven (1877). Provided, that such abatement shall only be made upon the petition of the person seeking such relief under the provisions of this act, duly filed in the office of the State Auditor, showing the necessity for such relief, which petition shall be duly verified and approved by the county treasurer and auditor of the county wherein such lands are situated.

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

and after its passage.

Approved February 17, 1877.

CHAPTER 110.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PUBLICATION OF SPECIAL LAWS BY THE COUNTIES AFFECTED BY THE SAME.

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

11 Section 1. All laws of a special nature which are not by Special law is the laws of this State required to be published in the newslished—now papers of the State, which shall hereafter be passed by the Legislature of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven (1877), or hereafter, may be published once in not more than two (2) of the newspapers of the counties affected by said the special laws, as soon as the same are published by the Secrefill tary of State. Provided, such newspapers shall have been regularly issued for at least three (3) months previous to such publication. And provided further, that the county commissioners of the counties affected by any special laws iff passed by Legislature, shall cause or order the same to be nublished.

The county commissioners of each county may, if they deem it necessary, as soon as the special laws of the State are published by the Secretary of State, cause any or all of the special laws relating to their several counties to be published as provided in section one (1) of this act, the cost of which shall be paid out of the treasury of the county where

the same are published.

The price paid by any county for the publication of the said laws shall be forty (40) cents per folio. Provided, that before payment is made for the publication of any of the special laws as above, publishers who may print such laws

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shall make proper affidavit of such publication, and file with the county auditor of the county affected by said special ·laws.

This act shall take effect from and after its pas- When act to take effect. SEC. 4. sage.

Approved March 5, 1877.

CHAPTER 111.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISORS OF THE SEV-ERAL TOWNSHIPS AFFLICTED BY GRASSHOPPERS TO LEVY A TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF BOUNTIES FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF GRASSHOPPERS AND THEIR EGGS.

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

Section 1. The boards of supervisors of any township Tax levy for and the common council of any city, village, town or bor-grasshoppers. ough in the State of Minnesota, afflicted by grasshoppers, deeming it necessary, and for the best interest of said township, city, village, town or borough, to levy a tax upon the taxable property of said township, city, village, town or borough, for the purpose of raising money to pay for the destruction of grasshoppers and their eggs, are hereby authorized to levy such tax, provided the legal voters of such township, city, village, town or, borough, shall vote to levy the same at their annual town meetings.

SEC. 2. The said supervisors and common councils shall Notice of direct the town clerks, city recorder, village, town and bor- same. ough clerks, to insert in the notice of the annual town meetings required by law to be given, a notice that a vote of the qualified electors of such township, city, village, town or borough will be taken at such town meeting to determine whether a tax shall be levied upon the taxable property of said township, city, village, town or borough for the purpose of the aforesaid; and the said town clerk, city recorder, village, town or borough clerk shall give such notice, and shall specify the amount to be raised for that purpose:

Sec. 3. The qualified electors of such township, city, village, town or borough, assembled at the time and place so How deterdesignated in said notice for holding such town meeting, shall, before the opening of the polls on that day, consider