

this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, on conviction thereof, be liable to pay a fine of not less than two dollars (\$2), nor more than ten dollars (\$10), or by imprisonment in the county jail not more than ten (10) days, or both, in the discretion of the court, in a suit to be prosecuted in the name of the State of Minnesota, in the same manner as is provided by law for prosecutions of misdemeanors.

Appropriation. SEC. 13. There shall be appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury of this State, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

Mechanical contrivances. SEC. 14. The board of county commissioners of any county in this State afflicted by grasshoppers, shall have the right, if in their judgment they see fit, to employ one (1) or more persons in each township in said county with such implements or mechanical contrivance as may prove most efficient to destroy the grasshoppers, from the first (1st) day of April to the first (1st) day of August in each year, paying such persons either by the day or a specified sum for the amount captured and destroyed. The compensation of such person shall be paid out of the general revenue fund of the county. *Provided further*, that parties employed and paid by the county commissioners shall not receive any other or further compensation under the provisions of this act.

When act to take effect. SEC. 15. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1877.

CHAPTER 87.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE BORROWING OF MONEY TO PAY BOUNTIES FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF GRASSHOPPERS.

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

State bonds may be negotiated for \$100,000.

SECTION 1. That the Governor, State Auditor, and State Treasurer be, and they hereby are authorized to borrow on the credit of the State, at any time after the first (1st) day of July, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven (1877), the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), in such sums as may be required under appropriations, at a rate of interest not exceeding six (6) per cent. per annum.

payable semi-annually in either the city of New York or St. Paul, which money, so borrowed, shall be paid and re-im-bursed in not less than five (5) nor more than ten (10) years, at the option of the State, from the date of the same; and the money, so borrowed, shall be used for paying bounties for the destruction of grasshoppers, and for no other purposes. *Provided*, such bonds shall be issued and put on the market only from time to time as the necessities arising from appropriations made by legislative enactment shall demand.

SEC. 2. The loan mentioned in the first (1st) section of this act shall be made upon State bonds with coupons attached, signed by the Governor and countersigned by the Auditor of State, which bonds shall specify the rate of interest and the time when the principal and interest shall be paid; and each such bond so issued shall not be for a less sum than one thousand dollars (\$1000), and shall specify therein to whom the same shall be made payable.

SEC. 3. Whenever the interest on the above mentioned bonds shall become due, the same shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon presentation of the coupons at such place in either the city of New York or St. Paul, as the Treasurer shall designate.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer of the State is hereby authorized and required to obtain blank bonds, with suitable devices, to prevent counterfeiting, and of such material as he may deem proper.

SEC. 5. The credit of the State is hereby pledged to the payment of the interest and principal of the bonds mentioned in this act, as the same may become due.

SEC. 6. The sum of three hundred dollars (\$300), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When not to
take effect.

Approved March 3, 1877.