CHAPTER 90.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY EXPENSES OF THE PURSUIT AND CAPTURE OF THE NORTHFIELD BANK ROBBERS.

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

SECTION 1. That the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,-000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated, for defraying the extraordinary expenses of the pursuit and capture of the persons commonly known as the Northfield bank robbers, to be paid as soon as may be after the claims on account thereof shall have been audited and allowed, as hereinatter provided.

Three commissioners, who shall be appointed by SEC. 2. the Governor of the State for that purpose, are hereby authorized and empowered, after giving suitable notice of such meeting, to meet at such convenient time and place, to be designated by them as they may deem proper, and hear and examine said claims; and said commissioners shall, after hearing the evidence adduced in support thereof, audit and allow such of said claims as they deem just and meritorious, and shall issue to said claimants respectively certificates under their hands, setting forth the nature of the claim allowed, and the amount thereof, which certificates, upon presentation thereof to the State Treasurer, shall be paid by him whenever there are funds in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated ; Provided, that said claims are made in writing, duly itemized and verified as required by law in the case of claims against towns and counties, and filed with said commissioners, or one of them, on or before the first (1st) day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventyseven (1877). And provided further, that no claims for compensation for personal services rendered by any person in such pursuit or capture, nor on account of the ordinary expenses and disbursements naturally attending the apprehension of criminals, and constituting valid legal charges against any county, shall be allowed to any such person or county.

SEC. 3. Said commissioners shall receive five dollars (\$5) per day for the time actually spent in examining and auditing said claims; *Provided*, that no commissioner shall receive to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25) therefor.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 2, 1877.

\$3,000 appropriated for capture of Northfield robbers.

When act to take effect. 4