CHAPTER CXCII,

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HEN-NEPIN COUNTY TO AUDIT AND PAY THE CLAIMS OF S. F. PECK-HAM AND L. W. PECK.

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

SECTION 1. That the county commissioners of Hennepin county be and are hereby authorized to audit and allow to be paid out of the public funds of said county, the claims of S. F. Peckham, chemist, and of L. W. Peck, professor of physics, for services as experts and expenses incident thereto, required of them by coroner P. Nelson, in the inquest held by him over the bodies of the persons killed in the so-called explosion of the Washburn A mill in Minneapolis, in May, one thousand eight hundred and seventyeight, the whole amount paid not to exceed in the aggregate the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars.

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

Approved March 8, 1879.

CHAPTER CXCIII.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LYNDALE RAILWAY COMPANY TO CONNECT LAKES CALHOUN AND HARRIET BY CANAL AND RUN BOATS THEREON.

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

SECTION 1. The Lyndalé Railway company, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase or construct a steamboat or boats, or boat or boats propelled by other power, and to use, navigate and run the same, in carrying passengers and freight for hire, on Lake Calhoun and Lake Harriet, and through the canal herein authorized to be constructed to connect the same, all being in Hennepin county, state of Minnesota, and to construct, use, own or lease, and to control, any and all wharves, docks, landing places, store houses and passenger rooms, necessary to the proper and convenient use and enjoyment of said rights and and franchises, and to purchase, lease, own and hold any real or personal property, rights or franchises necessary or convenient to the proper holding, using and enjoying any of the rights, franchises and privileges herein granted and authorized.

SEC. 2. Said Lyndale Railway company, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to construct a canal by the nearest practicable route to connect the waters of Lake Cal--houn and Lake Harriet aforesaid, which canal shall commence near the outlet of Lake Calhoun and end near the inlet of Lake Harriet. and may be constructed wide enough and deep enough for steamboats, or boats propelled by other power than steam, to pass through the same, and with all necessary locks and other necessary or convenient contrivances for the safe and convenient navigation and use of said canal, and may at any time widen, deepen, alter or change the course of said canal, and may forever use, navigate, own and control said canal, its inlet and outlet, and all rights, franchises, interests and appurtenances in any way thereto belonging, and rights, privileges and franchises in this act granted, and authorized, necessary or convenient for the proper construction, alteration, use and enjoyment of said canal, its rights, franchises, interests and appurtenances: provided, however, that said Lyndale Railway company shall construct, maintain and operate at its own expense, all necessary swing, draw, or other bridges across said canal whenever the same may cross, go through or under any public highway.

SEC. 3. For the purpose of rendering said Lake Harriet safer and more convenient in the said navigation thereof, said Lyndale Railway company, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to construct and maintain across the outlet of said Lake Harriet a dam of sufficient length, height, and breadth to raise the water of said lake not to exceed one foot higher than ordinary high water mark therein, provided the consent of all the owners of land adjoining said lake be first obtained in writing to the construction thereof.

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

Approved March 8, 1879.