CHAPTER CXCIX.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMON COUNCIL OF SAINT PAUL TO USE THE RESERVE FUND IN THE CITY TREASURY.

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

SECTION 1. That the common council of the city of Saint Paul may at any time within one year from the passage of this act, use any money in the reserve fund in the city treasury of said city to aid in the purchase of grounds for railway machine shops, railway depots, railway tracks and railway transfer tracks within the limits of said city, and traffic grounds to be used in connection with railways for the handling of lumber and other heavy freights, as may be indicated by a resolution voted for by three-fourths of all the members elect of said council and approved by the mayor of said city.

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

Approved February 28, 1879.

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CHAPTER CC.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF FERGUS FALLS TO PRO-CURE RIGHT OF WAY AND DEPOT GROUNDS FOR RAILROADS IN SAID VILLAGE, BY TAXATION OR BY THE ISSUE OF BONDS.

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

SECTION 1. The village of Fergus Falls is hereby authorized to procure and pay for the right of way over any lands in said village for any railroad which shall extend through or intosaid village and which shall establish its depot or station in said village at a point within one-half mile of the territorial centre of said village, and may also procure and pay for depot or station grounds for any railroad, the depot or station of which shall be established within said half mile; and may provide for the payment of such right of way or depot grounds by a direct tax for such purpose not exceeding three-tenths of one per cent. on the taxable property in said village, in any one year; or by issuing the bonds of said village, running not more than five years and bearing interest at not more than seven per cent. per annum. *Provided*, That no bonds issued under authority of this act shall be sold or disposed of at less than the par value thereof, and

Provided further, That said village shall not be authorized to incur any liability or make any expenditure in any case, beyond the sum of three thousand dollars on account of right of way or depot grounds for any one railroad, and

Provided further, That the aid herein authorized shall not be extended to more than three railroads, and

Provided further, That no tax shall be levied or bonds issued under authority of this act, until the proposition providing therefor, shall have been submitted to and approved by the legal voters of said village at an election held on the regular day of election provided in the charter of said village, and notice of such election and of the proposition to be submitted shall be given by publication thereof in a newspaper of general circulation published in said village at least ten days before such election.

SEC. 2. It shall be lawful for the council of said village to enter into agreement with any railroad company in regard to procuring and paying for, or assisting such company to procure or pay for the right of way and depot grounds in said village, for its railroad,

Provided, Such agreement shall not be inconsistent of this act.

SEC. 3. The council of said village shall provide by taxation for the payment at maturity of the principal, and interest of all bonds issued under the provisions of this act, according to the tenor of such bonds.

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

Approved February 28, 1879.

CHAPTER CCI.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NOBLES COUNTY TO ABATE DELINQUENT TAXES UPON CER-TAIN REAL ESTATE IN SAID COUNTY.

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

SECTION 1. That [The] board of county commissioners of the county of Nobles is hereby authorized to abate or remit so much of . the delinquent taxes remaining unpaid on lots eighteen and nineteen in block eighteen in the village of Worthington in said county, as in their discretion shall seem proper.

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

Approved February 25, 1875.