

SEC. 2. No owner or occupant of lands in the county of Dakota, state of Minnesota, where cattle are not allowed to run at large, shall be compelled to build or pay for building any portion of a line or division fence under the general laws of this state, unless such owner or occupant uses some portion of his land lying along and near such division line for grazing or pasturing purposes. *Provided*, That the towns of Lakeville, Eureka, Greenvale, Waterford and Sciota, be exempt from the provisions of this bill.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3, 1879.

CHAPTER CCCXXIV.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE COUNTY AND COUNTY OFFICERS OF HENNEPIN COUNTY.

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

SECTION 1. That the compensation of the officers of Hennepin county shall be fixed as hereinafter provided, and when not provided for in this act shall remain as now established by law.

SEC. 2. The clerk of the district court of said county shall be entitled to retain from and out of the fees, costs, percentages, penalties and allowances of and pertaining to his said office, and as compensation for his services as such clerk a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, and in addition thereto such sum as may be necessary to provide for the compensation of a proper deputy or deputies, and assistants, not exceeding the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per annum.

SEC. 3. That the register of deeds of said county shall be entitled to retain from and out of the fees and emoluments arising from and pertaining to the office as compensation for his services as such officer a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, and in addition thereto such sum as may be necessary to provide for proper clerical assistance to perform the duties of his office, not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars per annum.

SEC. 4. That it shall be the duty of said clerk of the district court and said register of deeds to properly and promptly collect the fees, costs, percentage, penalties, allowances and emoluments arising from and pertaining to their respective offices; and at the end of each year of their respective terms of office, and at the end of their respective terms when such may terminate prior to the expiration of any year of their said respective terms, to pay over to

the treasurer of said county all the excess of said fees, costs, percentage, penalties, allowances and emoluments, by each of them respectively received over and above the amounts which they are hereinbefore allowed to retain as compensation for themselves, their deputies, assistants or clerks; *Provided*, that nothing herein shall require the said register to pay into the county treasury any amounts received by him for furnishing abstracts of titles, where the clerical assistant herein provided to be paid for by the county, shall not be employed in making such abstracts.

SEC. 5. That the compensation of the judge of probate of said county shall be twenty-five hundred dollars per annum to be paid as now provided by law.

SEC. 6. The sheriff of said county of Hennepin shall receive the fees now provided for by law, except that his full compensation for services in the matter of foreclosure of a mortgage by advertisement shall be three dollars, and for the service of notices, such fee and mileage as allowed by law for services of summons, and that he shall not be entitled to receive for the boarding of prisoners in the county jail, whether committed from the county of Hennepin for violation of the general laws or for violation of the municipal ordinances of Minneapolis, or of any town or village in said county; any greater sum than two dollars and fifty cents per week; and when no provision has been made by special law for any services which said sheriff may be required to perform, he may receive therefor such compensation as is allowed therefor by general law.

SEC. 7. That the said clerk of said district court and said register of deeds and said sheriff shall each keep during their respective terms of office accurate and itemized accounts of all official fees, costs, percentages, penalties, allowances and emoluments pertaining to their respective offices, both such as are collected and such as are due, in books to be provided for their respective offices by the county, which said accounts shall be by them respectively verified at the end of each year of their term of office, which said books shall be retained in said offices and be public property, and be at all times open to the inspection of the county commissioners and county attorney and any tax payer of said county.

SEC. 8. That the city of Minneapolis shall have the power, and it shall provide for the temporary and limited support and assistance of such poor as may be residents of said city, and for such purpose said city may levy in each year, at the time and in the manner that its other taxes are levied, such amount as the city council thereof may deem necessary; and said city council shall annually after the present year, at about the time of the election of a city clerk and other officers, now provided to be elected by said council, elect a superintendent of the poor, who shall hold his office for one year, and until his successor is elected and qualified, who shall perform such duties concerning the relief and assistance of said poor, and receive such compensation therefor as said city council may by ordinance provide, and enter into such bond for the performance of his duties as such council may fix, and be subject to removal in the manner now provided for the removal of officers elected by said council.

SEC. 9. That the supervisors of each town in said county of Hennepin shall by virtue of their offices be superintendents of the poor of their respective towns, and shall, in the levy of special taxes for their respective towns, and in the same manner levy a special poor tax upon the property of such town of such amount as they may deem necessary for the temporary and limited assistance of such poor as may be residents of such town, and said supervisors are hereby authorized and empowered to give such temporary and limited relief, not exceeding the amount of fifty dollars in any one year to any one person.

SEC. 10. That in case the said superintendent of the poor of the city of Minneapolis or said supervisors of any town of said Hennepin county shall deem any poor person of the said city, or in such town, a proper subject of permanent public relief or support, the said superintendent of the poor of said city of Minneapolis, if such poor person be a resident of said city, and the chairman of the board of supervisors, if such poor person shall be a resident of their respective town, shall make an order in writing, signed officially by said superintendent of said city, or said chairman of the board of supervisors, as the case may be, and directed to the "overseer of the poor" of said county to the effect that such person be received into the charge of the said overseer and furnished suitable support, which order shall contain or be accompanied by a statement of facts signed by such superintendent or chairman setting forth the name, age, length of residence in said town, former occupation and present condition, and said superintendent in case of the poor being of said city, and said supervisors, in case of the poor being from their town, shall provide for the transportation of said poor to the poor farm of said county, at the expense of said city or said town, as the case may be, and the said overseer of the poor shall upon delivery to him of such order, receive such poor person into his charge and provide him with support at the expense of said county until further order of the board of county commissioners of said county, and for all such persons so supported at the expense of said county, the city or town sending such person shall pay said county during the time of such support the sum of one dollar per week, and provision for the payment of said transportation of poor to said poor farm, and of said amounts so provided to be paid said county by said city and town, shall be made by said city and town in the levy of taxes hereinbefore provided for.

SEC. 11. That the school districts of said Hennepin county shall only be changed by the supervisors of the town within which they lie, or where they lie within more than one town then by the supervisors of such towns, by and with the consent of the superintendent of schools of said county, except that no change shall be made in any school district between the first day of October and the first of May next thereafter.

SEC. 12. That the commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to procure a proper office in the city of Minneapolis for the use of the superintendent of schools of said county.

SEC. 13. That no appropriation of money shall be made by the county commissioners of said county for the construction or repairs

of roads and bridges in said county unless the necessary cost of said construction or repair shall be equal to or exceed the sum of one hundred dollars, and in all cases, when upon request of the town supervisors of any town the county commissioners of said county, appropriate money for roads and bridges, and said town appropriate an equal amount, said work shall be let by contract to the lowest bidder, subject to the acceptance and approval of the county commissioner of the district, and the chairman of the town supervisors of the town where the work is done.

SEC. 14. The portions of this act relating to the annual compensation and allowances for clerk hire and deputy of the said register of deeds, and clerk of the district court of said county, and the probate judge thereof, and of any and all of the officers herein named, shall not apply to the present incumbents of said offices, but shall be applicable to their successors therein, or to them if succeeding in another term thereof.

SEC. 15. That the present mode provided by law for the care, relief, and maintenance of the poor in said Hennepin county shall continue until May first, one thousand eight hundred and eighty, but said towns shall at their next annual meeting, and the said city at its next levy of taxes, make proper provisions for raising such amount as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing provisions regarding said poor.

SEC. 16. That in case any of the towns of said county shall not levy the poor tax contemplated by this act at their annual meetings in one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, then they may levy the same at any special meeting of said town, in said year, to be called in the manner now provided for calling special town meetings.

SEC. 17. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 7, 1879.

CHAPTER CCCXXV.

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF A BRANCH OF THE MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. CLOUD RAILROAD.

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

SECTION 1. That the time for the construction, completion and equipment of that branch of the Minneapolis and St. Cloud Railroad from St. Cloud, to connect with the Winona and St. Peter Railroad, or any other railroad running in Southern Minnesota from east to west, and to strike the Minnesota river at St. Peter or