

this state for eighteen hundred and seventy-four (1874) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following proviso:

Husband's agency defined.

Provided, that whenever any labor is performed, or materials or machinery furnished, as in this section provided by or with the knowledge and consent of a married woman, who is the owner of the property benefited thereby, upon the order of her husband, such knowledge and consent shall be sufficient to establish that such husband acted therein as the agent of the wife.

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

Approved February 19, 1883.

CHAPTER 44.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-ONE (151), GENERAL LAWS ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE (1881), BEING AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE TIMBER CULTURE AND TO PROVIDE A COMPENSATION THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. That section one (1), chapter one hundred and fifty-one (151), be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Compensation for planting trees.

That every person who has heretofore or shall hereafter plant and cultivate one (1) acre and not more than ten (10) of prairie land with any kind of forest tree, except black locust, and keep the same in a thrifty, growing condition for a period of six (6) years, and every person who shall plant, cultivate, protect, and keep in a thrifty growing condition for the same period one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) mile or more of such forest trees along any public highway, shall be entitled to receive compensation at the rate of three dollars (\$3) annually for each acre of grove planted, and two dollars (\$2) annually for each half ($\frac{1}{2}$) mile of such line of trees for the period of six (6) years. To entitle any person to compensation under this act for trees planted by the acre, such person shall plant or grow not less than twenty-seven hundred (2,700) trees on each acre in the first (1st) instance, and cul-

Conditions.

tivate, maintain and keep in a thrifty, growing condition at least eighteen hundred (1,800) trees on each acre during the first (1st) and second (2d) years next succeeding the year of planting, and maintain in a thrifty, growing condition for the remaining three (3) years thereafter not less than nine hundred (900) trees on each acre; and to entitle any person to compensation for the planting, cultivating, protection and maintenance of trees along the public highway, such person shall plant the trees not more than eight (8) feet apart, cultivate the same during the first (1st) and second (2) years after the year of planting, and maintain the same in a thrifty growing condition, not more than eight (8) feet apart, for the remaining three (3) years. *Provided*, that the planting of cuttings or sowing of tree seed shall be construed to be a planting of trees within the meaning of this act; but no person shall receive compensation for the year in which such cuttings are planted or tree seeds are sown, and the year[s] succeeding the sowing of such tree seed and planting of cuttings shall be construed to be the six (6) years for which compensation is granted under this act. *Provided*, also, that this act shall not apply to any railroad company planting trees within two hundred (200) feet of its track, nor to any person planting trees in compliance with the requirements of the act of congress entitled An act to encourage the groth [growth] of timber on Western prairies, approved March third (3d), one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (1873), or an act amendatory thereof.

Proviso.

Not to apply to Railroad Companies.

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

Approved March 6, 1883.

CHAPTER 45.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER THIRTY-FOUR (34) OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT (1878), TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF MASONIC BODIES.

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

SECTION 1. That chapter thirty-four (34) of the general statutes of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight