

Stock cars to be furnished.

cattle, sheep or swine, stock or cattle cars for the transportation of live-stock, cattle, sheep or swine, at proper points, to be designated by said railroad companies, on the line of such roads, and shall carry, convey and transport such live-stock, cattle, sheep or swine mixed on such cars, at the option and expense of the shipper for properly partitioning off such car for the transportation of such live-stock in such cars, to be transported to any point within this state, as may be shipped in said cars.

Violation of this act a misdemeanor.

SEC. 2. Any violation of the provisions of this act, or any refusal on the part of any officer or any employe of any of the railroad companies of this state to furnish such cars; accept, transport and convey such cars of mixed cattle to any point within this state, shall be deemed a misdemeanor; and upon conviction in any competent court in this state having jurisdiction thereof, such company shall forfeit and pay the sum of not less than one hundred (100) or more than five hundred (500) dollars; to be recovered by the party aggrieved, in the name of the state.

Rates.

SEC. 3. That the charge and rate of such cars of mixed live-stock for transportation, as aforesaid, may be the highest rate for transportation of either class or kind of such stock so transported in said mixed carloads by said railroad company.

When act to take effect.

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

Approved March 7, 1887.

CHAPTER 18.

[H. F. No. 903.]

AN ACT TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS FROM FIRE IN RAILWAY CARS, AND DEFINING THE DUTIES OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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

Heating and lighting passenger and sleeping cars.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the railroad commissioners of the state to make careful and diligent inquiry into the construction of and the best means of heating and lighting passenger and sleeping cars, run on any of the railroads within this state, with special reference to the safety of the passengers travelling therein, and more particularly to their safety from accident by fire. And the said commissioners shall make a special report on the subject to the Legislature at the next regular session thereof;

Provided, that said commissioners may, if in their opinion the safety of the passengers should require it, give notice in writing to any railroad company or corporation, incorporated under the laws of this state, or doing business herein, that said companies or corporations, or either of them, shall, at a day to be designated in said notice, and not less than sixty (60) days after the service of the same, — cease and abandon the use of kerosene and all other oils, also illuminating or combustible fluids, in said cars for the purpose of lighting the same; and provided further that said companies shall, within sixty (60) days from the passage of this act, adopt and put in use upon all sleeping cars operated by them within the limits of the state, some invention or appliance, subject to the approval of said commissioners, better calculated to prevent the shutting or closing of the upper berths of said cars, in case of the overturning of such cars, or of other accidents, than the means now in common use for the purpose.

SEC. 2. Each of said railroad companies shall, within sixty (60) days after the passage of this act, equip each passenger and sleeping car, run or operated by it within the state, with fire extinguishers for the extinguishment of fire, one to be kept in each end of each of such cars, to be maintained in good condition for use and in a safe and convenient position; and each of said companies shall also equip and provide each of such cars with two (2) axes and two (2) saws, one (1) of each of such tools to be kept upon the inside and one (1) of each upon the outside of each car and to be kept in convenient places for use in case of accident.

Equipment of cars.

SEC. 3. The neglect to comply with any of the provisions of this act, are hereby declared to be unlawful; and any railroad company or corporation which shall do or cause to be done any act or thing forbidden to be done, or which shall neglect to do any act or matter which is enjoined and required by any provision of this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof in any court of this state within whose jurisdiction such offense was committed, be subject to a fine of not more than one thousand (1,000) dollars for each offense. *Provided, however*, its principal officer or traffic manager, by whatever name called, or the agent or person who shall be guilty of any such violation of this act, shall be personally liable as and for a misdemeanor; and, upon conviction thereof in any court of this state within whose jurisdiction such offense was committed, shall be subject to a fine of not more than one thousand (1,000) dollars for each offense.

Penalty for violation of act.

Provided; that the operation of sections two (2) and three (3) of this act, may be modified, suspended or nulli-

fied by the Board of Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners of the state, in their discretion.

When act to
take effect.

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

Approved March 7th, 1887.

CHAPTER 19.

[S. F. No. 445].

AN ACT TO TRANSFER CERTAIN LANDS ORIGINALLY GRANTED TO THE MINNEAPOLIS & ST. CLOUD RAILROAD COMPANY, AND SUBSEQUENTLY TO THE ST. CLOUD, MANKATO & AUSTIN RAILROAD COMPANY; TO THE DULUTH, ST. CLOUD, MANKATO & SOUTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY, AND PRESCRIBING THE METHODS AND TERMS OF SUCH TRANSFER.

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

Transfer of
lands.

SECTION 1. That all that part of the lands not already earned, originally granted to the Minneapolis & St. Cloud Railroad Company by virtue of an act of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, entitled, "An act granting swamp lands to aid the Minneapolis & St. Cloud Railroad Company in building branches to connect with the Lake Superior & Mississippi Railroad, and the Winona & St. Peter Railroad, or any other railroad in Southern Minnesota," approved February eleventh (11), one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five (1865). Which lands herein intended, are the same lands which were granted to the said Minneapolis & St. Cloud Railroad Company, to aid in the construction of a southerly branch of said Minneapolis & St. Cloud Railroad, as designated in Section two (2) of the act of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five (1865) above referred to; being the same lands that are also further designated in an act of the Legislature of this state, entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled an act granting swamp lands to aid the Minneapolis & St. Cloud Railroad Company in building branches [to connect] with the Lake Superior & Mississippi Railroad and the Winona & St. Peter Railroad or any other railroad in Southern Minnesota, approved February eleventh (11), one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five (1865)," which last act was passed at the extra session of said Legislature in one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (1881), and approved November eighteenth (18th),