

Terms of court.

SEC. 16. General terms of the district court shall be held in such new counties (until the time for holding the same is fixed by law) at such times in the year as shall be fixed by the judge of the judicial district in which the same may be situate.

No failure of officer to perform his duty to affect validity of organization

SEC. 17. No failure or refusal of any county officer to do any of the acts or things herein required of him to be done, or of the failure to make publication as herein required, shall affect the validity of the establishment of any such new county; and any officer who shall willfully neglect or refuse to perform the duties herein required of him shall be guilty of malfeasance in office, and may be removed therefor.

SEC. 18. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 1, 1893.

S. F. No. 199.

## CHAPTER 144.

Reports of county officers.

*An act to require all county officers to render a sworn report to the board of county commissioners of their respective counties of all fees, emoluments or gratuities received by them by virtue of their offices and providing for penalties for violations of the same.*

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

County officials to report all fees and emoluments.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of all county officials on or before the fifteenth of January in each year to make and file with the county auditor in their respective counties a statement in writing, under oath, showing the amount of all fees, gratuities and emoluments of whatever nature by them received as such county officials or in connection with the work of their respective offices for the calendar year next preceding the making and filing of such statement.

Reports to be presented to county board.

SEC. 2. The county auditor shall present all statements made pursuant to the provisions of this (act) to the board of county commissioners, at the regular or special meeting thereof held next after the fifteenth of January, together with a list of county officials whose reports have not been received by said county auditor, and thereupon it shall be the duty of said board to cause the county attorney to be notified as to such delinquents and of said county attorney to prosecute the same.

Penalty for neglect to report.

SEC. 3. Any county official who shall violate any provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty days nor more than one year, or by both said fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

SEC. 4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 4, 1893.

#### CHAPTER 145.

S. F. No. 265.

*An act to authorize boards of county commissioners to appropriate moneys in certain cases.*

County commissioners.

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

SECTION 1. The board of county commissioners in any county in this state may appropriate to any hospital association which maintains a hospital in any city of more than ten thousand inhabitants and less than one hundred thousand inhabitants, situated within the county wherein such board of county commissioners is elected, and at which patients who are county charges are cared for, such sum of money, not exceeding the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, as such board of county commissioners may deem expedient or advisable in order to enable such hospital association to maintain such hospital; and may levy a tax in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes are levied to provide for payment of such appropriation in cases where there are no funds properly applicable to the payment thereof.

May give aid to private hospital in certain cases.

SEC. 2. Any amount so appropriated by any board of county commissioners for the purpose specified in section one of this act shall be paid at such time and in such manner as such board of county commissioners may provide by resolution adopted at the same time of making such appropriation.

Manner of payment.

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

Approved April 6, 1893.

#### CHAPTER 146.

H. F. No. 633.

*An act to provide a public morgue in certain counties within this state.*

Public morgues.

Whereas, in all large centres of population there are many unknown dead bodies found, which remain for a greater or lesser time unidentified, together with many accidental and sudden deaths, all requiring a post mortem examination, autopsy or coroner's inquest, as the case may require; and whereas, the good health and sanitation of the community is not only jeopardized by the present haphazard and unsatisfactory conduct and disposition of the cases, but the friends and relatives of suddenly deceased persons are unable to locate or find

Reasons for establishing public morgues.