

chapter ninety-seven (97), general laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven (1887), be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 4. If a job is not completed within the time fixed in the contract it shall be the duty of the bondsmen to notify the county auditor of that fact within five days after the expiration of the time fixed in the contract. Whereupon the auditor shall order said bondsmen to complete said job, and they shall receive from the county the amount due on such job or part thereof that they have so completed. The amount due said bondsmen for such ditching shall be determined by the county surveyor (or the surveyor or the civil engineer duly appointed by the county commissioners for the purpose). The fees of the county surveyor (or engineer) for such services shall be paid out of the money due the original contractor, if any, otherwise by the bondsmen. But the auditor may, for good cause shown, give further time to any contractor, not exceeding one year; *provided*, that a job not completed as hereinbefore specified shall be resold by the county auditor, after ten days' notice by publication, to the lowest responsible bidder, but shall not be sold for a sum exceeding fifty (50%) per cent. in excess of the estimated cost of such work, nor a second time to the same party.

Bondsmen to complete work, when, and receive pay therefor.

Surveyor to determine amount due bondsmen.

Auditor may extend time or relet contract.

A contract and bond shall be entered into as hereinbefore provided.

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

Approved April 23, 1897.

## CHAPTER 329.

H. F. No. 47.

*An act to promote practical forestry on the open prairie and to make an appropriation therefor.*

Promoting forestry on the open prairie.

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

SECTION 1. That the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000), in payment of actual expenses, without salaries to any of the officers, be appropriated to the Minnesota State Forestry Association, to be expended by said association for the following objects:

Appropriation and manner of expenditure.

For the promotion and encouragement of raising forest trees on the open prairie, and for the continuous interests of forest and water conservation throughout the state.

For the free distribution of forest seeds and plants for trial and permanency to such citizens as will follow instructions and report results.

For the gleaning of facts and their publications relating to the acreage of the trees planted, species of the same and methods employed.

For practical co-operation with the people in the proper observance of Arbor day.

For the preparation, publication and freedistribution throughout the state of the Forest Tree Planter's Manual, that shall contain an itemized account of all the expenditures of this association, and said manual shall be such size, and be issued in such form, as the executive committee of said association shall determine, together with other forestry literature, all having plain and concise information for the people upon forestry and its climatic and agricultural benefits.

Of the foregoing appropriation fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) shall be available from the general revenue for the fiscal year ending July 31st, 1898, and fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) for the fiscal year ending July 31st, 1899.

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

Approved April 23, 1897.

H. F. No. 1031.

## CHAPTER 330.

Reimbursing  
candidates  
for state  
offices at last  
general  
election, and  
appropriation  
therefor.

*An act entitled an act to reimburse certain citizens of the State of Minnesota who were candidates for state offices at the general election held in the month of November, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six (1896), and to appropriate money therefor.*

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

SECTION 1. That wherever the secretary of state, or the treasurer of the state of Minnesota, has received or charged any candidate or candidates nominated for any state office voted for at the general election held in the month of November, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six (1896), for receiving or filing his certificate or certificates of nomination, any sum in excess of fifty dollars (\$50), irrespective of whether said candidate was nominated by the convention of one or more of the political parties, it shall be the duty of the auditor of the state of Minnesota to give to such candidate a warrant