paid by the city so appropriating the same out of any money in the treasury of said city not otherwise appropriated, but the money so appropriated and used in any one (1) year shall not exceed fifty thousand (50,000) dollars, and the amount so appropriated shall be included in the tax levy for the succeeding year or be divided into four (4) parts, and included in the tax levy for the four (4) succeeding years, in the discretion of the city council of the city so appropriating said money. This act is an additional grant of power and shall not be construed as repealing any special or general law now existing.

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

Approved April 18, 1899.

H. F. No. 40.

## CHAPTER 280.

Cities empowered to sprinkle streets and public grounds An act to amend chapter fifty (50) of the General Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to authorize all cities of the State of Minnesota having no more than fifty thousand (50,000) and not less than fifteen thousand (15,000) inhabitants to sprinkle its streets, lanes, alleys, avenues and public grounds, and to assess the cost thereof on abutting property.

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

Bec. 1, c. 50, Laws 1897, amended.

Applies to cities of not more than 50,000 nor less than 15,000.

SECTION 1. That section one (1) of chapter fifty (50) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (1897) be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. All cities in the State of Minnesota having no more than fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants are hereby authorized to and shall have power to sprinkle the streets, lanes, alleys, avenues and public grounds of such city, or any part thereof, and may make contracts for so sprinkling the same in accordance with this act, on such terms and conditions as its city council may deem best.

Sec. 2, c. 50, Laws 1897, amended.

Empowered to aprinkle.

Sec. 2. That section two (2) of chapter fifty (50) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (1897) be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. All cities in the State of Minnesota having no more than fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants are hereby authorized to levy assessments for sprinkling its streets,

lanes, alleys, avenues and public grounds upon the property fronting upon such improvement, as hereafter designated

That section four (4) of the General Laws of Bec. 4, c. 50, Laws 1897. Sec. 3. eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (1897) be amended so amended. as to read as follows:

Sec. 4. Before any proceedings are had by the council, said council shall each year, by ordinance, determine what territory in said city shall be sprinkled and may known by divide such territory into one or more sprinkling districts, accurately describing the boundary lines of each district; each district so determined shall be designated by number, and thereafter all reference to such district by number shall be deemed a sufficient designation. Said ordinance shall further provide for all supervision and inspection of said work, and shall designate what officer or officers of said city shall supervise and inspect said work, in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor, and shall accurately determine the powers and duties of such officer or officers with reference to all sprinkling

contracts awarded by the city council. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 18, 1899.

City may be divided into districts to be

## CHAPTER 281.

H. F. No. 453.

An act to transfer the assets belonging to the reform State reform school fund to the general revenue fund of the state, and to provide for the payment of certain loan certificates issued by the board of managers of the state reform school: and care and sale of the old reform school lands known as "D. W. Ingersoll's addition to St. Paul."

Whereas, By chapter two hundred and fifty-eight (258) of General Laws for eighteen hundred and eighty-nine (1889), the board of managers of the state reform school were authorized to and did borrow money for the purposes of said school, and issued therefor certain certifieates of indebtedness for the payment of which and of the annual interest thereon the revenues expected to be derived from the sales of certain lands belonging to the state were appropriated and set aside as a special fund for that purpose; and,

Whereas, Nearly all of the purchasers of said lands have abandoned the same and defaulted in their pay-