Refunding of money paid into county treasury in counties of 150,000 and over.

SEC. 3. That upon proof being duly made of the amount paid into the county treasury of any county in this state, having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, by any administrator, executor, trustee, heir or heirs, legatee, or their successors or estates, as an arbitrary fee as a condition precedent to probating an estate under said chapter 103, that the board of county commissioners of such county shall appropriate from the general fund of the county a sum sufficient to reimburse such administrator, executor, trustee, heir or heirs, legatee or estate for such payment or payments made under said chapter 103. In all other counties of this state the board of county commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to make such appropriations. Provided, that no such appropriation in any one case shall exceed in amount the sum so paid into the treasury by such administrator, executor, trustee, heir or heirs, legatee or estate. And the county treasurer shall pay the sum or sums so appropriated by the board of county commissioners, pursuant to this act, and in case such administrators, executors, trustees, or legal representatives have completed their said trusts and been legally discharged, that such money shall be paid to the legal heirs or legatees of said estate or estates. Provided, that the county commissioners in refunding any money pursuant to the provisions of this act, if they elect so to do, may make it payable in three consecutive annual installments.

In all other counties.

Money paid to legal heirs, in case of administrators, discharge.

May be three payments.

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

Approved March 31, 1903.

H. F. No. 159.

CHAPTER 106.

An act regulating commitment of persons to the hospital for the insane.

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

Commitment of insane persons who cannot be benefited, not to be. Section 1. No harmless person, who cannot be benefited by hospital treatment, shall be committed to any hospital for the insane merely because he is suffering from idiocy, epilepsy, imbecility or infirmity of old age.

Every jury appointed to examine an alleged insane person, in addition to the facts by law required to be ascer-

tained, shall ascertain and determine whether or not such patient can be benefited by hospital treatment.

SEC. 2. The superintendent of any hospital for the insane, with the approval of the board of control, may at charge, in their discretion discharge or parole any inmate of such institution who is capable of caring for himself or can be cared for by relatives and who is not dangerous to himself or the community. Whenever such discharge is made, notice thereof shall be given to the probate court that committed such person to such institution.

Surperintendent may discertain cases.

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

Approved March 31, 1903.

CHAPTER 107.

H. F. No. 270,

An act relative to plats of towns and cities in this Plats of state, and of additions to and subdivisions thereof, and the cities, addicorrection and legalization of the same.

tions and subdivisions.

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

Section 1. That in all cases where the plats or what purport to be plats of any towns or cities in this state, or of additions to or subdivisions thereof, or copies thereof, made before the government survey of such land, fail to Made before identify and show correctly upon their face the tract of survey, failland covered or intended to be covered thereby, the surveyors, or one of them, who laid out or surveyed the same, and, in case said surveyor or surveyors shall have died, one or more of the original proprietors, may make How corand file in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which said lands are situated a certificate duly executed and acknowledged by him or them, as deeds are to be executed or acknowledged, wherein shall be set forth a full description of the lands actually covered and intended to be covered by said plat. If such certificate be made by a proprietor or proprietors of such town, city, addition or subdivision, the same shall also be sworn to by him or them as being correct in all respects. And such certificate, so executed, acknowledged and verified, shall be re- Record. corded at length by said register of deeds in a book by him provided for that purpose, entitled, "Book of Plat "Book of Certificates," and said register of deeds shall thereupon cates."