lects or refuses to return the same he may be compelled forthwith by rule of court, and, in case of disobedience, may be proceeded against by attachment as for contempt.

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

Approved April 15, 1905.

S. F. No. 817.

CHAPTER 180.

Legalizing certain ditches. drains, etc.

An act to legalize certain ditches, drains or water courses to drain shallow, grassy, meandered lakes located and established, or attempted to be located and established under and pursuant to the provisions of chapter 258 of the General Laws of 1901, and amendments thereto, and to declare legal and valid all assessments and liens levied under and pursuant to said act.

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

Section 1. Where the county commissioners of any county of this state in pursuance of chapter 258 of the General Laws of 1901 and amendments thereto have located and established, or attempted to locate and establish any ditch, drain or other water course to drain any shallow, grassy, meandered lake, the petition for which states that the lake so authorized to be drained is a shallow, grassy, meandered lake of not over four feet in depth, that a deed of consent to the drainage of said lake duly executed by all the persons owning lands adjacent or contiguous to said lake and the outlet thereof has been duly filed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which such lake is situated, and that said ditch, drain or other water course will greatly enhance the public health, convenience or welfare, or be of public benefit or utility, and the county commissioners in granting such petition have found and determined, or shall find and determine that said proposed ditch, drain or other water course will be conducive to the public health, convenience or welfare, or be of public benefit or utility, said ditch, drain or other water course is hereby legalized and declared to be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare and of public benefit and Assessments. utility; and any assessments or liens levied or that may hereafter be levied against the lands benefited by the

construction of any ditch, drain or other water course by the county auditor of any county for the cost of the establishment and the construction of the same pursuant to the provisions of this act are hereby legalized and declared to be valid and of full force and effect and a lien against said lands until paid, in the time and manner set forth in sections twenty (20) and twenty-one (21) of said chapter 258 of the General Laws of 1901, as amended by chapter 38 of the General Laws of 1902 and chapter 315 of the General Laws of 1903.

SEC. 2. Nothing herein contained shall affect any ac-

tion or proceeding now pending.

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

Approved April 15, 1905.

CHAPTER 181.

S. F. No. 324.

An act to amend chapter one hundred and seventy-five (175) of the General Laws of cighteen hundred and ninety-five (1895), as amended by chapter two hundred thirty-four (234) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine (1899), relating to insurance.

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

Section 1. That section ninety-seven (97) of chapter one hundred and seventy-five (175), of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five (1895), as amended by section four (4), chapter two hundred and thirty-four (234), of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine (1899), be and the same is hereby amended so that the same when amended shall read as follows:

"Section 97. No company in this state other than fire, marine or fire and marine, hail, farmers' mutual or real commisestate title insurance companies shall do business in this state unless it has on deposit with the insurance commissioner of this state as security for all its policy holders, stocks or bonds, of this state, or of the United States, or bonds of any of the municipalities of this state, or personal obligations secured by first mortgage on real estate within this state, worth, exclusive of buildings, the amount of the lien, and bearing interest of not less than three (3) per cent per annum, to an amount, the actual Interest.

Relates to

Deposit with