

Railway company of so much of said lots five (5) and six (6) respectively, as lies east of the lands herein authorized to be sold shall be used to purchase other lands, for the use of the St. Peter hospital for insane.

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

Approved April 10, 1907.

CHAPTER 145—S. F. No. 293.

An Act authorizing the state board of control to cause surgical operations to be performed upon inmates of the state hospitals and asylums for the insane and the school for feeble-minded and colony for epileptics.

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

Board of control may authorize surgical operations.—

Section 1. That whenever in the opinion of the superintendent of a state hospital or asylum for the insane or of the school for feeble-minded and colony for epileptics a surgical operation is necessary to save the life, health, eyesight, hearing or a limb of any inmate committed thereto, he shall call in consultation some reputable physician in general practice in the city or village where such institution is situated, and if such consulting physician and superintendent shall certify to the state board of control that in their opinion such operation is necessary, as herein provided, the said superintendent shall be authorized by and with the written consent of said board and under its direction to perform or cause to be performed such surgical operations upon any such inmate as may be necessary and proper for such purpose, provided that the consent of the proper relatives or guardian cannot be had in season to effect such saving.

Board to be deemed guardian.—Sec. 2. The said board shall be deemed the guardian of the persons of the inmates of such institutions for the purpose of consenting to such operations.

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

Approved April 10, 1907.