the county, or was at the time of the construction or installation of such improvement or improvements, vested in the county, the county board of such county is hereby authorized and empowered to pay to such society or officer thereof erecting or constructing such improvement or making such contribution, an amount equal to the money so expended or contributed by such society or officer thereof in erecting, constructing, repairing, installing or making such improvement or improvements; provided, however, that the amount which shall be paid out under the provisions of this act by any one county shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. Tax levy authorized.—That for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act the county board of any such county, in addition to all other taxes by law authorized to be levied, may levy a tax upon all the property in any such county subject to taxation, sufficient to realize the amount required for such reimbursement, but not exceeding in any one year one mill on each dollar of the taxable valuation of such county.

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

its passage.

Approved March 3, 1923.

CHAPTER 46-S. F. No. 10.

An act authorizing the renewal of the period of corporate existence of certain corporations whose period of duration has expired without renewal thereof and legalizing conveyances made and acts done by such corporations after the expiration of their previous corporate existence.

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

Section 1. Corporate existence of certain corporations extended.—Any corporation heretofore organized under the general laws of this State and not empowered to take private property for public use, whose period of duration has expired less than fifteen years prior to the passage of this Act and through inadvertence or otherwise the same has not been renewed and such corporation has continued to carry on its business without a renewal of its said period, may renew its corporate existence from the date of the expiration of its previous period of duration for an additional period not exceeding thirty years from and after such date of expiration of its previous period of duration, with the same force and effect as if renewed prior to such expiration of its said term of existence, by taking the same proceedings and by paying into the State treasury the same incorporation fees, if any, as now provided by law for the renewal of the corporate existence of such corporation in cases where such renewal is made before the end of its period of duration.

Provided however that proceedings to obtain such extension under the provisions of this Act shall be taken within six months after the passage of this Act and provided further that this Act shall not affect any pending litigation nor apply to any corporation whose charter has been declared forfeited by the final judgment of any

court of competent jurisdiction in this State.

Sec. 2. Acts of corporation legalized.—Any and all conveyances heretofore made and any and all acts done by any such corporation or its proper officers subsequent to the expiration of its last period of duration shall, whenever such corporation shall renew its corporate existence under the provisions of this Act, become and same hereby are legalized and made of the same force and effect as though such conveyances or said Acts had been made or done prior to such expiration of said period of duration; provided however that nothing herein contained shall be construed as affecting any vested rights or any action or proceeding now pending.

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

. its passage.

Approved March 6, 1923.

CHAPTER 47-H. F. No. 166.

An act to amend Section 4822, Revised Laws 1905, being Section 8550, General Statutes 1913, relating to the escape of prisoners and of persons in the lawful custody of an officer or other person, and prescribing a penalty therefor.

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

Section 1. Escaped prisoners.—That section 4822, Revised Laws 1905, being section 8550, General Statutes 1913, be and the

same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

. "4822. Every prisoner confined in a penal institution, or being in the lawful custody of an officer or other person, who shall from such institution or custody or vhodepart from such institution or custody without thcmission of the authorities of such institution or of the officer or person having him in custody, or who, being outside of the confines of such institution by permission or order of the authorities thereof, or being away from the presence of the officer or person having him in custody by permission or order of such officer or person, shall depart contrary to such permission or order, or shall fail to return to such institution or to the presence of such officer or person in accordance with such permission or order, if he is held on a charge or conviction of felony, shall be guilty of a felony; if on a charge or conviction of a gross misdemeanor, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor; and if on a charge or conviction of a misdemeanor, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

Approved March 6, 1923.