CHANGES

IN THE

General Statutes of 1878,

OF THE

STATE OF MINNESOTA,

EFFECTED BY THE GENERAL LAWS OF THE EXTRA SESSION OF 1881, AND THE REGULAR SESSION OF 1883.

Arranged with reference to the Chapter and Section Amended.

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grounds upon which the excuse is based, and the record, when so [made up] shall be preserved and open to inspection by all persons. (Id. § 4.)

§ 9e. Law of contempts applicable. The law in reference to contempts which now is or hereafter may be in force, in so far as may be necessary to carry this act into effect, shall apply equally to contempts committed under the provisions of this act. (Id. § 5.)

§ 9*f*. **Punishment for contempt.** Persons charged with contempt of court under the provisions of this act shall be dealt with and their cases disposed of summarily by the court, and each person found guilty of a contempt under the provisions hereof shall be punished by fine in a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding ninety days, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court. (*Id.* § 6.)

See page 938.

CHAPTER CXX.

JAILS AND PRISONS.

STATE PRISON.

*\$ 85. Strike out the words "who shall have been sentenced for a term of one or more years," in lines six and seven, and the words "provided he shall have the term of one year yet to serve," in parenthesis. (1867, c. 14, \$ 1, as amended 1881, *Ex. Sess.* c. 16, \$ 1.)

See page 976.

§ 95. Appropriations for permanent improvements of state prison. That the sum of eighteen thousand dollars for the year A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and the sum of forty-two thousand dollars for the year A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, and the sum of thirty thousand dollars per year for the period of eight years thereafter, is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of permanent improvements and other disbursements of the Minnesota state's prison. Said sums so > appropriated shall be expended by the building committee hereinafter created for the purpose of defraying the expenses of enlarging the cell room of said prison, until the same shall reach the maximum of six hundred, and for the further purpose of making the present cell building fire-proof, and for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses of repairing and construction of such other buildings as may be or have been deemed from time to time expedient or necessary for the completion of the prison wall; also for the purpose of a fire protective system and reasonable insurance, and for grading, paving, and water supply, and such other improvements as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act: always provided, that all cell buildings hereinafter constructed shall be fire-proof: and provided, that no money hereby appropriated shall be applied to the purchase of machinery: provided, that no contract for construction or improvements shall be made in any one year in •excess of the appropriation for such year, nor in advance of the actual requirements of the prison. $(1883, c. 166, \S 1.)$

*§ 96. Governor to appoint supervising architect—building committee. That the governor shall appoint a supervising architect, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the governor; that said supervising architect and the warden of the state prison, and the board of inspectors of the state prison, shall constitute a board to be known as the building committee, the said warden of the state prison to be president of said committee; and said committee shall have full control and direction of the expenditure of the money hereby appropriated, and of the erection of any and all buildings, and the making of any and all improvements hereafter to be made with the money hereby appropriated. (Id. § 2.)

(*An act to make appropriation for permanent improvements for the Minnesota state's prison.)

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*§ 97. How money to be paid. The money hereby appropriated shall be paid upon the order of the secretary of the board hereby authorized to expend the same, countersigned by the warden of the state prison as president of said board. (Id. § 3.)

*§ 98. Compensation of architect. The compensation of said supervising architect shall be fixed by said building committee. (*Id.* § 4.) See page 978.

CHAPTER CXXIII.

CURATIVE ACTS.

\$ 17*a*. Conveyances with one witness, etc., executed in other states. That all deeds or conveyances of real estate in this state, heretofore executed in any other state or territory of the United States, and which is recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county wherein such land is situated, properly sealed and acknowledged, but with only one subscribing witness, or, when executed by more than one person, properly signed and sealed, and witnessed and acknowledged by only one of the parties thereto, the other party or parties, however, having signed and executed a receipt at the end of such deed, (as practiced in some states,) acknowledging the receipt of the consideration expressed in such conveyance, are hereby legalized and made valid and effectual to all intents and purposes; and such instruments, and the record thereof, shall have the same force and effect in all respects as though they had been originally executed and acknowledged in accordance with all the requirements of the statutes of this state in force at the time of the making or recording of such conveyances: provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall in any manner affect any pending suit or proceeding, or the right or title of any bona fide purchaser without notice, for a valuable consideration, of any such lands so conveyed prior to the passage of this act. (1883, c. 85, § 1.) See page 1001.

*§17b. Conveyance with certain defective acknowledgments legalized. That all deeds or other conveyances of real estate situate within this state, whether such conveyances were made within this state or in any other state or territory of the United States, heretofore made and recorded in the office of the register of deeds wherein the real estate thereby affected was at the time of the making of such records or is situate, whether such deeds and conveyances were duly and properly admitted to record or otherwise, in which the following defects of acknowledgment exist, either in such conveyances or the records thereof, viz.:

Where the name of the county or state is omitted in the certificate of acknowledgment.

Where the certificate of acknowledgment is not dated, or contains a date prior to the date of the conveyance or subsequent to the date of the record thereof.

Where the grantor's name is omitted in the certificate of acknowledgment, and the name of the officer taking the same is inserted instead.

Or where the grantor's name appears in the certificate in the place in which the name and official character of the acknowledging officer should be stated.

Where a conveyance is executed in any other state or territory by husband and wife, and the wife's name alone appears in the certificate of acknowledgment, but the husband has signed at the end of the conveyance, in the presence of one or more witnesses, an acknowledgment of the receipt of the consideration expressed in such conveyance.

Where the name of one of the grantors in any such conveyance is incorrectly spelled or given in the certificate of acknowledgment.

All such conveyances, and the records thereof, are hereby legalized and made valid, and the records thereof effectual, to all intents and purposes, and of the same force and effect in all respects, for the purpose of notice, evidence, and otherwise, as

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