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CEMETERIES.

where such person is imprisoned, shall forthwith, upon receiving CHAP. 241. the order of said inspectors, convey or cause to be conveyed said person to the state prison at the expense of the county from which such person was sentenced.

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Chapter 241.

An act to amend chapter fifteen of the revised statutes, relating to cometeries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled. as follows:

Chapter fifteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by Ch. 15, R. S., amendment of. adding thereto as follows:

The municipal officers of any town are hereby author- Public cemeteries, 'SECT. 8. ized to enlarge any public cemetery or burying-yard within their town, on petition of ten voters, by taking land of adjacent owners, to be paid for by the town when in their judgment public necessity requires it, but in no case shall the limits thereof be extended nearer any dwelling-house than they now are, against the written protest of the owner, made to the municipal officers of the town. at the time of hearing upon said petition.

'SECT. 9. Notice of a time and place for hearing on such peti- Notice of, to be tion shall be given by posting written notices thereof, signed by the municipal officers of the town, at least seven days prior thereto, in two public places in said town; and a copy of such notice and of the petition shall be served on the owners of the land to be taken at least ten days before the day of hearing.

'SECT. 10. If the municipal officers at such hearing grant the Land to be taken, prayer of the petitioners, they shall then determine what land shall be taken and assess the damages suffered by each person thereby, and make a written return of their proceedings, specifying the land taken and the damages awarded each person, and file the same with the town clerk; and such cemetery or burying-yard shall not be enlarged, pursuant to such return, until so voted by the town at its next annual meeting.

'SECT. 11. Any person aggrieved by the amount of damages awarded, on petition to the county commissioners, may have them assessed in the manner provided respecting highways.'

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enlargement of.

damages, how determined.

-taken and damages awarded, to be filed with town clerk.

Person aggrieved, remedy for.