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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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insolvent, or being in contemplation of insolvency, he has within four months of the issuing of the warrant, paid or secured, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, any borrowed money or pre-existing debt, or any liability of his or for him, or if he has caused his effects to be attached, or if he has destroyed, altered, mutilated or falsified any of his books, documents, papers, writings or securities, or has made or been privy to the making of any false or fraudulent entry in any book of account or other document, with intent to defraud his creditors, or give a preference contrary to this chapter, or has removed, or allowed to be removed, any property with a like intent, or has made any frandulent payment, gift, transfer, conveyance or assignment of any part of his property, or if, having knowledge that any person has proved a false debt against his estate, he has not disclosed the same to the assignee within thirty days after such knowledge, or if, being a merchant or trader, he has not since March twenty-three, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, kept proper books of account. And the discharge is null and void, if the debtor, or any person in his behalf, has procured the assent of any creditor thereto, by any pecuniary consideration or promise of any future preference.'

-null and void, if assent of creditor is purchased.

SECT. 2. This act shall not apply to pending proceedings.

Approved March 4, 1885.

Chapter 327.

An Act to provide for the appointment of Stenographers as Commissioners to take depositions and disclosures of Trustees.

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

Appointment of stenographers as commissioners to take depositions. SECT. 1. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, may, upon the written recommendation of any judge of the supreme judicial court, appoint competent stenographers of either sex, as commissioners to take depositions in all cases and disclosures of trustees.

-qualification.

SECT. 2. Such commissioners shall qualify by taking the usual oath of office. They may act throughout the state, and shall hold office for four years, and shall pay the same fees

-tenure.

for their commission as are now paid by justices of the peace.

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They shall have and exercise the same powers -powers. in taking depositions and disclosures of trustees as are now exercised and possessed by justices of the peace.

Depositions and disclosures of trustees may be taken by them stenographically by the consent of the parties to the suit or proceeding, and their notes shall be transcribed in full by questions and answers, and read to the deponent or trustee and signed by him. If the deponent or trustee, in writing, waives such reading, the transcript shall be admissible as his deposition or disclosure, without his signature. No change of or addition to, the transcript shall be made by the deponent or trustee, except in the presence of the counsel who attested the taking of the deposition. The commissioner shall state the facts in his certificate, as to reading, signature or waiver, and what, if any, changes or additions were made.

Depositions and disclosures, how taken.

They shall receive the same fees for travel, swearing witnesses, notifying parties and deponents, as are now received by justices of the peace, and in addition thereto, twenty cents a page for their transcripts.

Shall receive fees same as justices of the peace

Approved March 4, 1885.

Chapter 328.

An Act limiting section eighty-eight of chapter forty-nine of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the publication of statements of Insurance Companies.

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

Section eighty-eight of chapter forty-nine of the revised Foreign insurstatutes shall not apply to foreign life insurance companies doing business in this state.

ance companies relieved from ing annually, statement of condition.

Approved March 4, 1885.