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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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CHAP. 265**Chapter 265.**

An Act to repeal Section sixty-two of Chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section seven of Chapter three hundred and sixty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five relating to State Constables.

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

Section 62, chapter 27, R. S., as amended by section 7, chapter 366, laws 1885, repealed.

Section 1. Section sixty-two of chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes as amended by section seven of chapter three hundred and sixty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five is hereby repealed.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 22, 1901.

Chapter 266.

An Act to secure the preservation of the Testimony given in Trials for Murder.

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

Copy of any indictment for murder shall be filed with clerk of courts.

Section 1. That whenever any person is convicted of murder a copy of the indictment, plea, evidence and charge of the presiding justice, certified by the official stenographer, shall be filed with the clerk of the court where such trial is held.

How such copy shall be paid for.

Section 2. When the court stenographer is paid an annual salary the making and filing of said copy will be without extra compensation, otherwise to be paid for by the county, and this act shall not apply to cases where motion for new trial is filed.

Approved March 22, 1901.

Chapter 267.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and ninety-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to Evidence of Witnesses at Coroners' Inquests.

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

Chapter 296, public laws 1885, amended.

Chapter two hundred and ninety-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five is hereby amended by adding the following: 'Coroners may employ a stenographer for the purpose of taking such evidence, who shall receive the same compensation as is provided for stenographers of the supreme

judicial court,' so that said chapter as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 13. The evidence of all the witnesses taken at any inquest shall, within ten days after the delivery of the verdict to the coroner, be filed by the coroner with the clerk of courts for the county in which said inquest is held, and there remain open for public inspection. Coroners may employ a stenographer for the purpose of taking such evidence, who shall receive as compensation therefor the sum of six dollars per day and ten cents per hundred words for transcript of notes, and six cents per mile actual travel.'

All the evidence taken shall be filed with clerk of courts.

—may employ stenographer.

Approved March 22, 1901.

Chapter 268.

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter sixteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the construction of Public Drains and Sewers.

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

Section 1. Section two of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "town" in the first line thereof, the words 'or a committee duly chosen by the town,' and also by adding after the word "health" in the fourth line, the following words, 'but neither the municipal officers of the town, nor such committee, shall construct any public sewer therein until the same shall be authorized by vote of said town, and an appropriation made for the purpose; and in no case shall such municipal officers or committee incur any expense on behalf of the town for such purpose, exceeding the amount appropriated therefor,' so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 2, chapter 16, R. S., amended.

'Section 2. The municipal officers of a town, or a committee duly chosen by the town, may, at the expense of the town, construct public drains or sewers along or across any public way therein; and through any lands of persons or corporations, when they deem it necessary for public convenience or health; but neither the municipal officers of the town, nor such committee, shall construct any public sewer therein until the same shall be authorized by vote of said town, and an appropriation made for the purpose; and when constructed such sewers shall be under the control of the municipal officers.'

Towns may lay drains.

—but not unless authorized by vote of the town.

—expense and control thereof.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 22, 1901.