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names, and which are manufactured exclusively from milk or cream, or both, with salt and rennet, and with or without coloring matter.'

Section 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 7, 1905.

Chapter 39.

An Act regulating the duties of the Commissioner of Agriculture relating to the manufacture and sale of Dairy Products and their imitations.

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

Section 1. Section nine of chapter sixty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph of said section and inserting in the place thereof the following:

Section 9, chapter 60, R. S., amended.

"The commissioner of agriculture shall inquire into the methods of making butter and cheese in creameries or cheese factories, together with the methods of taking, preserving and testing samples of milk and cream in the same, investigate all dairy products and the production thereof, and shall disseminate such information as will tend to produce a better quality thereof. He shall act for the state in the enforcement of the laws relating to the production, sale or manufacture of milk, oleo-margarine or renovated butter;" so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 9. The commissioner of agriculture shall inquire into the methods of making butter and cheese in creameries or cheese factories, together with the methods of taking, preserving and testing samples of milk and cream in the same, investigate all dairy products and the production thereof, and shall disseminate such information as will tend to produce a better quality thereof. He shall act for the state in the enforcement of the laws relating to the production, sale or manufacture of milk, oleo-margarine or renovated butter; and for the above purposes he may employ chemists, agents and counsel, as may be necessary for the proper enforcement of such laws; and for such expenses there shall be appropriated a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, to be allowed upon the approval of the governor and council upon the presentation of proper itemized vouchers.'

-commissioner of agriculture shall inquire into methods of making butter and cheese.

-shall act for state in enforcement of laws relating to sale of milk, oleo-margarine, etc.

Section 2. He and his agents and assistants shall have access to all places of business, factories, buildings, carriages and cars used in the manufacture, transportation or sale of dairy products

Shall have access to all factories.

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-penalty for hindrance in performance of his duties. or imitations thereof, and to all vessels and cans used in the manufacture and sale of dairy products and their imitations. Whoever hinders, obstructs, or in any way interferes with the commissioner of agriculture, his agents, a milk inspector or other authorized officer in the performance of his duty shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars for the first offense and of two hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.

Section 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 7, 1905.

Chapter 40.

An Act to regulate the sale of Milk and Cream.

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

Section 3, chapter 129, R. S., amended

Section 1. Section three of chapter one hundred and twentynine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

Sale of impure milk forbidden. 'Section 3. Whoever sells or offers for sale, milk or cream

-penalty for violation of

this act. -standard

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from cows known to be diseased, or from cows sick, or fed upon any substance deleterious to its quality, or kept in a filthy or unsanitary condition, or milk to which water or any foreign substance has been added, or sells or offers for sale as pure milk, any milk from which the cream has been taken, or milk in or from cans or other utensils that are not kept in a clean or sanitary condition, shall for a first offense be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and for a second offense by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars. When milk shall, by analysis, be found to contain over eighty-eight per cent of water or less than nine per cent of solids exclusive of fat, it shall be deemed prima facie evidence that said milk has been watered, and when milk, by analysis, shall be found to contain less than twelve per cent of solids and less than three per cent of fat, it shall be deemed prima facie milk from which cream has been taken, and any milk which, by analysis, shall be found to contain any foreign substance, shall be deemed milk to which a foreign substance has been added.'

This act shall take effect when approved. Section 2.

Approved March 7, 1905.