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OF THE
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OF THE
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of food are offered for sale, and upon tendering the market price of any such article may take from any person, persons or corporations samples for analysis.

Results of analysis shall be published.

--with names of persons from whom samples were taken.

--standards of purity.

Section 5. The results of all analyses of articles of food made by said director shall be published by him in the bulletins or reports of the experiment station, together with the names of the persons from whom the samples were obtained, and the names of the manufacturers thereof. The said director may also adopt or fix standards of purity, quality or strength when such standards are not specified or fixed by law and shall publish them, together with such other information concerning articles of food as may be of public benefit.

Penalties for violation of this act.

Section 6. Whoever adulterates or misbrands any article of food as defined in this act, or whoever sells, offers or exposes for sale any adulterated or misbranded article of food, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for the first offense and not exceeding two hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.

Commissioner of agriculture shall prosecute offenders.

Section 7. Whenever said director becomes cognizant of the violation of any of the provisions of this act, he shall report such violation to the commissioner of agriculture, and said commissioner shall prosecute the party or parties thus reported.

Contracts made in violation of this act not actionable.

Section 8. No action shall be maintained in any court in this state on account of any sale or other contract made in violation of this act.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Section 9. Sections ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen and seventeen of chapter one hundred and twenty-nine of the revised statutes and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Section 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1905.

Chapter 69.

An Act to amend Chapter nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Assessment of Taxes on lands in places not incorporated.

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

Section 41, chapter 9, R. S., amended.

Section 1. Section forty-one of chapter nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "January" in the last line of said section, the words 'May and September,' so that said section when amended, shall read as follows:

County commissioners may

'Section 41. Such lands may be assessed by the county commissioners according to the last state valuation for a due pro-

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portion of county taxes. Lists of such taxes shall immediately be certified and transmitted by the county treasurer to the treasurer of state. In the list, each such township and tract shall be sufficiently described, with the date and amount of assessment on each. The treasurer of state shall, in his books, credit the county treasurer for the amount of each such assessment; and when paid to him, shall certify to the county treasurer the amount of tax and interest so paid on the first Monday of each January, May and September.'

assess taxes according to last state valuation. --lists shall be transmitted to state treasurer. --treasurer of state shall credit county treasurer for amount of assessment.

Section 2. Section forty-two of chapter nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "one year" in the eighth line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'six months;' also by striking out the words "one year" in the eleventh line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'six months;' also by striking out the words "two years" in the twelfth line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'eighteen months,' so that said section when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 42, chapter 9, amended.

'Section 42. When the legislature assesses such state tax, the treasurer of state shall, within three months thereafter, cause the lists of such assessments, with the lists of any county tax so certified to him, both for the current year, to be advertised for three weeks successively in the state paper, and in some newspaper, if any, printed in the county in which the land lies, and shall cause like advertisement of the lists of such state and county taxes for the following year to be made within three months after six months from such assessment. Said lands are held to the state for payment of such state and county taxes, with interest thereon at the rate of twenty per cent, to commence upon the taxes for the year in which such assessment is made at the expiration of six months, and upon the taxes for the following year upon the expiration of eighteen months from the date of such assessment.'

List of assessments shall be certified and advertised annually.

--said lands are held for payment of taxes.

Section 3. Section forty-three of chapter nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting in the fifth line of said section after the word "and," the following words, 'upon filing with the state treasurer a certificate showing the number of acres, and describing the property on which he desires to pay the tax, and where the same is located, and paying the amount due,' so that said section when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 42, chapter 9, R. S., amended.

'Section 43. Owners of the lands so assessed and advertised may redeem them by paying to the treasurer of state the taxes with interest thereon, within one year from the time when such interest commences. Each owner may pay for his interest in any tract whether in common or not, and upon filing with the

Lands shall be forfeited if taxes are not paid in one year.

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state treasurer a certificate showing the number of acres, and describing the property on which he desires to pay the tax, and where the same is located, and paying the amount due, shall receive a certificate from the treasurer of state, discharging the tax upon the number of acres, or interest, upon which such payment is made. Each part or interest of every such township or tract, upon which the state or county taxes so advertised are not paid with interest within the time limited in this section for such redemption, shall be wholly forfeited to the state, and vest therein free of any claim by any former owner. But this section and the five following sections do not apply to taxes upon organized plantations taxed by the state as wild lands.'

Approved March 15, 1905.

Chapter 70.

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, Chapter one hundred and twenty-five, Section forty-eight, relating to Cruelty to Animals.

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

Section 48,
chapter 125, R.
S., amended.

Section forty-eight of chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out from the third line thereof the word "and" and inserting instead thereof the word 'or,' and inserting after the word "injured" in the fifth line, the following; 'or in a condition from lack of food or water or shelter,' so that the said section as amended, shall read as follows;

By whom
abandoned
animals may
be destroyed.

'Section 48. Any officer or agent of any society for the prevention of cruelty to animals may lawfully cause to be destroyed forthwith, any animal found abandoned or not properly cared for, appearing in the judgment of two reputable persons called by him to view the same in his presence, to be diseased or injured or in a condition from lack of food, water or shelter, past recovery for any useful purpose.'

--animals
which may
be destroyed.

Approved March 15, 1905.