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OF THE
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or published in such city, representing the political parties which cast at the preceding election the largest and next largest number of votes, a list of all the nominations made, as herein provided, and to be voted for in such city, so far as may be, in the form in which they shall appear upon the general ballots.'

Section 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1907.

Chapter 143.

An Act to amend Section eleven of Chapter twenty-three of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter seventy-nine of the Laws of nineteen hundred and five, relating to Boundaries of Ways.

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

Section 11,
chapter 23,
R. S., as
amended.

Section 1. Section eleven of chapter twenty-three of the revised statutes as amended by chapter seventy-nine of the laws of nineteen hundred five is hereby further amended by inserting in the first line of said section as printed in said revised statutes, after the word "highways" the words 'or town ways,' and by further inserting after the word "located" in said first line the words 'or of which the location is lost, or which can only be established by user;' and by inserting after the word "highway" in the third line of said section, and after the word "highway" partly in the fifth and partly in the sixth line of said section, and after the word "highway" in the ninth line of said section, the words 'or town way,' and after the word "highways" in the ninth line the words 'in the case of highways to be paid by the county and in the case of town ways to be paid by the town,' so that said section as finally amended, shall read as follows:

further
amended.

County com-
missioners
shall fix
boundaries
of highways
or town
ways.

'Section 11. When the true boundaries of highways or town ways duly located, or of which the location is lost, or which can only be established by user, are doubtful, uncertain or lost, the county commissioners of the county wherein such highway or town way is located, upon petition of the municipal officers of the town wherein the same lies, shall, after such notice thereon as is required for the location of new ways, proceed to hear the parties, examine said highway or town way, locate and define its limits and boundaries by placing stakes on side lines at all apparent intersecting property lines, and at intervals of not more than one hundred feet and cause durable monuments to be erected at the angles thereof, make a correct return of their doings, signed by them, accompanied by an accurate plan of the way, and if any real estate is damaged by said

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action, shall award damages to the owner as in laying out new highways, in the case of highways to be paid by the county and in the case of town ways to be paid by the town. Said municipal officers shall maintain all highway or town way monuments, and replace them forthwith when destroyed. If any appeal for increase of damages is taken, and the commissioners are of opinion that their proceedings hereunder, or any part thereof, ought not to take effect, they shall enter a judgment that the prayer of the original petitioners or any part thereof, designating what part is not granted for that reason. Upon such judgment no damages shall be allowed for that part of the prayer of the petitioners not granted, but the costs shall be paid by the county.'

—damages,
how
awarded.

—municipal
officers shall
maintain
monuments.

—appeal,
how
determined.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1907.

Chapter 144.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and thirty-nine of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and five, relating to Register of Deeds.

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

Section fifteen of chapter one hundred and thirty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and five is hereby amended by adding the words, 'date of the instrument,' in the tenth line of said section after the word "instrument" and by striking out in the twelfth line the words, "at the end of every ten years" and by inserting in their place the words, 'as often as every ten years,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 15,
chapter 139,
public laws
1905,
amended.

'Section 15. The records in each registry office shall be made on a paper of firm texture, well sized and finished, the principal ingredient of which is linen. The registers shall make an alphabetical index to the records without charge to the county, in the form known as ledger index, so that the same surname shall be recorded together in each column of index, or in lieu of such book shall make a suitable card index. All indexes made under the provisions of this section shall show in addition to the names of the parties and the nature of the instrument, the date of the instrument, the date of its record and the name of the town, city or incorporated place where the land conveyed is situated. As often as every ten years the register shall revise and consolidate such index in such manner that all deeds recorded since the last revision of the index shall be

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