

shall be the sum of sixteen hundred (1600) dollars per annum, and the salary of the assistant librarian shall be the sum of twelve hundred (1200) dollars per annum. After the consolidation provided for in this act becomes effective, the state librarian shall give bond in the sum of five thousand dollars, and the curator of the museum and art gallery, and the first assistant librarian, each in the sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned upon the faithful performance of their respective duties, to be approved by the board of trustees. The aforesaid salaries to be paid monthly out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 7. **In effect.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Des Moines Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 12, 1900.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register and the Des Moines Leader March 13, 1900.

G. L. DOBSON,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 115.

COMPENSATION OF STATE LIBRARIAN AND ASSISTANTS.

S. F. 318.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-eight hundred and eighty-one (2881) of the code, relating to the compensation of the state librarian and his assistants.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Compensation of assistant librarians.** That section twenty-eight hundred and eighty-one (2881) of the code be amended as follows: By striking from the third line of said section the words "six hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one thousand." By striking from the fourth line of said section the words "five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "eight hundred." By striking from the fifth line of said section the words "four hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seven hundred."

SEC. 2. **In effect.** This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Des Moines Leader, papers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 6, 1900.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register and Des Moines Leader, April 7, 1900.

G. L. DOBSON,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 116.

LIBRARY COMMISSION AND FREE PUBLIC AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

S. F. 32.

AN ACT to create a library commission and promote the establishment and efficiency of free public libraries and public school libraries in the state of Iowa, and to appropriate money therefor. [Additional to title XIII, of the code, relating to education.]

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **State library commission—term—chairman.** The governor shall appoint four persons, at least two of whom shall be women, who, with the state librarian and superintendent of public instruction and president of the state university, shall constitute a state library commission. The first members appointed by the governor shall be appointed for terms of two, three, four and five years from the first day of July, 1900, and all subsequent appointments shall be for terms of five years, except appointments to fill vacancies. The commission shall annually elect a chairman.

SEC. 2. Duties—biennial report. The commission shall give advice and counsel to all free libraries and to all public school libraries in the state, and to all communities which may propose to establish them, as to the best means of establishing and administering such libraries, the selection of books, cataloguing, and other details of library management. The commission may also send its members to aid in organizing new libraries or in improving those already established, and co-operate with the trustees of the state library in the development of the traveling library system. The commission shall make a biennial report to the governor, 1,000 copies of which shall be published as other official reports are published.

SEC. 3. Reports from libraries. The commission shall each year obtain from all free public libraries and all public school libraries reports showing the condition, growth, development and manner of conducting said libraries, and shall obtain reports from other libraries in the state at their discretion, and shall furnish annually to the secretary of state such information for publication in the Iowa official register as may be deemed of public interest.

SEC. 4. Secretary—office. Said commission shall employ a secretary not of its own number, who shall serve at the will of the commission, and for such compensation and under such conditions as it shall determine. It shall be the duty of said secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the commission, to keep accurate accounts of its financial transactions, and to act under the direction of the commission in organizing new libraries and improving those already established, and in general to perform such other duties as may be assigned him by the commission. In addition to his salary he shall be allowed his necessary traveling expenses while absent from his office in the service of the commission, the same to be certified and paid in the same manner as other expenses incurred by the commission. Said commission shall have its office at the office of the state librarian.

SEC. 5. Appropriation—how drawn. No member of the commission shall ever receive any compensation for services as a member, but the traveling expenses of the members in attending meetings of the commission or in visiting or establishing libraries, and other incidental and necessary expenses connected with the work of the commission, shall be paid, including compensation and expenses of the secretary mentioned in section four of this act, provided that the whole amount of said expenses, including secretary's salary, shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars in any one year. All bills incurred by the commission or by its members under this law shall be certified by the chairman and secretary of the commission to the state auditor who shall issue warrants therefor upon the state treasury, and there is hereby annually appropriated from any funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of two thousand dollars to carry into effect the provisions of this act.

Approved March 20, 1900.

CHAPTER 117.

RIGHTS OF ALIENS.

H. F. 157.

AN ACT granting the right to corporations organized under the laws of a foreign country, and corporations organized under the laws of this country, one-half of the stock of which is owned and controlled by non-resident aliens, to hold and dispose of real property, and to legalize certain contracts and conveyances of such corporations. [Amendatory of chapter 1, title XIV, of the code, relating to the rights of aliens.]

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Real property. That all corporations organized under the laws of any foreign country, and corporations organized under the laws of any state of the United States, one-half of whose stock is owned and