

ment to the code, 1907, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following words:

“Upon and after said receipt from the executive council of any of such public archives copies thereof may be made, certified and authenticated by the curator of the historical collections in the same manner and with the same validity as the officer or officers from whom they were received. Said curator shall charge and collect for certified copies the same fees as are allowed by law to the secretary of state for certified copies, which fees shall be turned into the state treasury.”

Approved April 1, A. D. 1911.

CHAPTER 149.

APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

H. F. 115.

AN ACT making appropriation to the state historical society of Iowa. [Additional to section twenty-eight hundred eighty-two-a (2882-a) of the supplement to the code, relating to annual appropriation for state historical society.]

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

SECTION 1. Appropriation for additional permanent support. That there is hereby appropriated to the state historical society of Iowa, out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) annually hereafter as additional permanent support for historical research and publication.

SEC. 2. Paid in quarterly installments. That the said sum shall be paid in quarterly installments on the order of the board of curators of the said state historical society of Iowa, the first installment to be paid July, 1911.

Approved April 14, A. D. 1911.

CHAPTER 150.

SALES OF STOCKS OF GOODS, WARES OR MERCHANDISE IN BULK.

H. F. 56.

AN ACT to regulate the sale or disposal of stocks of goods, wares, or merchandise in bulk, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof. [Additional to chapter four (4) of title fourteen (XIV), relating to transfer of personal property.]

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

SECTION 1. Creditors to be notified. No person, firm, or corporation engaged in the retail or wholesale business of buying and selling merchandise for profit shall at a single transaction, and not in the regular course of business sell, assign, or deliver the whole, or a major part of his stock in trade unless he shall, not less than three days previous to such sale, assignment, or delivery, send or cause to be sent to his creditors by registered mail, a notice of his intention to make such transfer, assignment or delivery, which notice shall be in writing describing in general terms the property to be sold, assigned, or delivered, and the parties thereto.

SEC. 2. Sales and assignments fraudulent, when. All such sales, assignments, or deliveries of commodities which shall be made without the formalities

required by the provisions of section 1 hereof, will be presumed to be fraudulent and void as against all persons who were creditors of the vendor at the time of such transaction.

SEC. 3. Not applicable to transfers by or to executors, etc. Transfers under this act shall include sales, exchanges and assignments, but nothing in this act shall apply to transfers by or to executors, administrators, receivers, assignees under voluntary assignment for the benefit of the creditors, trustees in bankruptcy or any public officer under judicial process.

Approved April 10, A. D. 1911.

CHAPTER 151.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF INSTRUMENTS IN WRITING HERETOFORE TAKEN BY NOTARIES PUBLIC.

S. F. 195.

AN ACT to legalize acknowledgements of instruments in writing heretofore taken by notaries public, additional to section twenty-nine hundred and forty-two (2942) of the code.

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

SECTION 1. Acknowledgments legalized. That the acknowledgments of all deeds, mortgages, or other instruments in writing heretofore taken or certified, and which instruments have been recorded in the recorder's office of any county of this state, including acknowledgments of instruments made by any private or other corporation, or to which such corporation was a party, or under which such corporation was a beneficiary, and which have been acknowledged before or certified by any notary public who was at the time of such acknowledgment or certifying a stockholder or officer in such corporation, be and the same are hereby declared to be legal and valid official acts of such notaries public, and to entitle such instruments to be recorded, anything in the laws of the state of Iowa in regard to acknowledgments to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. Pending litigation. This act shall not affect the rights of parties in any action or suit now pending in any court of this state.

SEC. 3. In effect. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in force and take effect from and after its publication in the Register & Leader and the Des Moines Capital, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 23, A. D. 1911.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader and the Des Moines Capital, March 25, 1911.

W. C. HAYWARD,
Secretary of State.