

## NOTARIES PUBLIC.

### CHAPTER 116.

AN ACT Entitled "An Act Relating to the Office of Notaries Public."

*Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota:*

§ 1. PENALTY FOR EXERCISING DUTIES AFTER EXPIRATION OF COMMISSION.] Any notary public exercising the duties of his office after the expiration of his commission or when otherwise disqualified, or appending his official signature to documents when the parties have not appeared before him, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars for each offence, to be recovered before any court having competent jurisdiction, and shall also be removed from office by the Governor.

§ 2. SECRETARY TO ISSUE COMMISSION—DUPLICATE TO BE CONSPICUOUSLY POSTED—FEE.] The Secretary shall issue a commission to each notary public appointed by the Governor, and duplicate one of which shall, by said notary public be posted in a conspicuous place in his office for public inspection; and the Secretary shall be entitled to receive and charge a fee therefor of five dollars, three-fifths of which shall be paid to the Territorial Auditor for the use of the Executive in the employment of such clerical assistance as he may deem necessary. The Secretary shall keep in his office a careful record of such appointments and the date of their expiration, and shall notify each notary, by mailing to each notary, postage prepaid, at his last known postoffice address at least thirty days before the expiration of his term, a notice of the date upon which his commission expires.

§ 3. All acts or parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

§ 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 10, 1887.