

ply with the requirements of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to a fine of not less than five (5) dollars for each and every such omission.

§ 15. PROSECUTION OF SUITS—DUTY OF COUNTY ATTORNEYS—DISPOSITION OF PENALTIES COLLECTED.] All suits for the recovery of the several penalties and costs prescribed in this act, shall be prosecuted in the name of the Territory of Dakota, in any court having jurisdiction, and it shall be the duty of the district attorney of the county wherein such offense is committed, to prosecute all persons violating the provision of this act, upon proper complaint being made. All penalties collected under the provisions of this act shall inure to the board of pharmacy, for the expenses and costs of the proper execution of the law.

§ 16. PRIOR ACTS REPEALED—FORFEITED MEMBERSHIP.] All acts or parts of acts regulating the practice of pharmacy, or the adulteration of drugs within this Territory, enacted prior to the passage of this act, and which in any way conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed; *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent any person who has once been a registered member by examination and may have forfeited his membership by non-payment of fines or fees, from renewing his membership within two years, by paying the required dues or fees, without examination.

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

Approved, March 11, 1887.

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## POSTAL RIGHTS.

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### CHAPTER 122.

#### AFFECTING INMATES OF INSANE ASYLUMS.

AN ACT To Place the Inmates of Insane Asylums Under the Protection of the Laws, by Securing to Them Their Postal Rights.

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

§ 1. POSTAL RIGHTS—HOW SECURED.] That henceforth each and every inmate of each and every insane asylum, both public and private, in the Territory of Dakota, shall be allowed to choose one individual from the outside world, to whom he may write

when or whatever he desires, and over these letters to this individual there shall be no censorship exercised or allowed by any of the asylum officials or employes; but their postoffice rights, so far as this one individual is concerned, shall be as free and unrestricted as are those of any other resident or citizen of the Territory of Dakota and shall be under the protection of the same postal laws; and each and every inmate shall have the right to make a new choice of this individual party every three months, if he so desires to do; and it is here made the duty of the superintendent to furnish each and every inmate of every insane asylum in this Territory either public or private, with suitable material for writing, inclosing, sealing, stamping and mailing letters, sufficient at least, for the writing of one letter a week; *Providing*, They request the same, unless they are otherwise furnished with such materials, and all such letters shall be dropped by the writers thereof, accompanied by an attendant when necessary, into a postoffice box provided by the Territory at the insane asylum, and kept in some place of easy access to all patients. The attendant is required in all cases to see that this letter is directed to the patient's correspondent and if it is not so directed, it must be held to the superintendent's disposal, and the contents of these boxes shall be collected once every week by an authorized person from the postoffice department and by him placed in the hands of the United States mail for delivery.

§ 2. DUTY OF SUPERINTENDENT.] That it is hereby made the duty of the superintendent to keep registered and posted in some public place at the insane asylum a true copy of the names of every individual chosen as the inmate's correspondent, and by whom chosen; and it is hereby made the duty of the superintendent to inform each of the individuals of the name of the party choosing him, and he is to request him to write his own name on the outside of the envelope of every letter he writes to this individual inmate; and all these letters bearing the individual writer's [name] on the outside, he is requested to deliver, or cause to be delivered, any letter or writing to him directed, without opening or reading the same, or allowing it to be opened or read, unless there is reason for believing the letter contains some foreign substance which might be used for medication, in which case the letter shall be required to be opened in the presence of a competent witness, and this substance shall be delivered to the superintendent, to be used at his discretion.

§ 3. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ACT.] That any person refusing or neglecting to comply with, or willingly or knowingly violating any of the provisions of this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as the criminal code [of] the Territory of Dakota prescribes, and by ineligibility to any office in the asylum afterwards.

§ 4. ACT TO BE PRINTED AND POSTED.] That a printed copy

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of this act shall be framed and kept posted in in every ward of every insane asylum, both public and private, in the Territory of Dakota.

§ 5. That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

§ 6. This act shall be in force thirty days from its passage.

Approved, February 15, 1887.

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## PRAIRIE FIRES.

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### CHAPTER 123.

#### SPECIAL LAW MADE GENERAL.

AN ACT To Amend Section 1, Chapter 106, of the General Laws of 1881.

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

§ 1. LAW MADE GENERAL.] That section one, chapter 106, of the General Laws of 1881 be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "counties of Lawrence, Pennington, Custer, Mandan and Forsythe, or either of them," and insert instead thereof the words "Territory of Dakota."

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

Approved, March 11, 1887.

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