

for distribution of the Session Laws, and shall hold for sale and sell the remaining copies to residents of the State for the price per copy paid for printing and binding, and to other persons at 25 per cent. higher price.

§ 9. COMPENSATION OF COMMISSIONERS.] Each of said commissioners shall receive compensation for his services performed under the provisions of this act in the sum of \$2,500 per year, due and payable quarterly at the end of each quarter, upon duly verified accounts and vouchers approved by the Governor, and their incidental expenses for postage, stationery or other matters in the performance of their duties shall be paid in like manner. Their clerk shall receive compensation at the rate of \$1,200, and stenographer \$800 per year, due and payable in like manner upon accounts certified by the commissioners, and the Auditor is hereby directed to draw his warrants upon the State Treasurer accordingly.

§ 10. REPEAL.] Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1890, State of North Dakota, entitled "An Act to Provide for the Compilation, Publication, Distribution and Sale of the Laws of the State of North Dakota," approved March 10, 1891, is hereby repealed.

§ 11. EMERGENCY.] Whersas, An emergency exists in this that it is necessary that the appointments herein contemplated shall be made long prior to July 1, 1893; therefore, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage and approval.

Approved, March 1, 1893.

MINIMUM SENTENCE.

CHAPTER 75.

[S. B. No. 48.]

MINIMUM SENTENCE TO PENITENTIARY.

AN ACT Fixing the Minimum Time for Which Offenders May be Committed to the Penitentiary.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. MINIMUM SENTENCE.] The district courts of this State shall not sentence any person convicted of crime to be confined in the Penitentiary unless such confinement covers a period of at least one year; and in all cases of conviction for crime hereafter arising, in which the sentence of the court is imprisonment for a less time than one year, such imprisonment shall be in the jail of

the county where such conviction and sentence was had; *Provided, however,* In cases where there be no jail in the county where conviction and sentence was had the imprisonment may be in the Penitentiary.

§ 2. REPEAL.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, February 28, 1893.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

CHAPTER 76.

[S. B. No. 61.]

APPOINTMENT OF NOTARIES PUBLIC.

AN ACT Providing for the Appointing of Notaries Public and Providing a Penalty for Violation of the Provisions Thereof.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. APPOINTMENT.] The Governor shall appoint in each of the organized and unorganized counties in this State, from among the citizens and from either sex thereof, one or more notaries public, who shall hold office for four years, unless sooner removed by the Governor, each of whom shall have power and authority anywhere in the State to administer oaths and perform all other duties required of them by law; *Provided, however,* That a person, to be eligible for such an appointment, must, at the time of the appointment, have the qualifications of an elector, so far as age, residence and citizenship are concerned.

§ 2. ISSUE OF COMMISSION—FEE.] The Secretary of State shall issue a commission and duplicate thereof to each notary public appointed by the Governor, one of which shall be, by said notary public, posted in a conspicuous place in his or her office for public inspection; and the Secretary of State shall collect and receive two (2) dollars for the issuance of said commission and duplicate, which two (2) dollars shall be paid into the State treasury and credited to the general fund. The Secretary shall keep in his office a careful record of such appointments and the date of the expiration of the same and shall notify each notary public, by mailing, at least thirty days before the expiration of his or her term, a notice of the date upon which his or her commission expires, which notice shall be addressed to said notary public at his or her last known place of residence.