

APPROPRIATIONS.

CHAPTER 2.

[S. B. No. 21.]

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

AN ACT Providing For an Appropriation For the Erection of Additional Buildings, and For the Payment of the Contingent Expenses of the North Dakota Agricultural College and Experimental Station of Fargo, North Dakota.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATIONS.] That for the erection of additional buildings for the North Dakota Agricultural College and Experimental Station at Fargo, and for other purposes connected therewith, there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the following sum of money, to-wit: For miscellaneous expenses, \$11,250.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in this that the fiscal year for which this appropriation is made, will begin before July 1st, and the funds hereby appropriated in part will be needed before that time, *Therefore*, this act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 22, 1895.

CHAPTER 3.

[H. B. No. 127.]

BOARD OF HEALTH.

AN ACT to Reimburse Dr. F. R. Smyth for Stamping Diphtheria out of the County of Mercer by Order of the State Board of Health, and Making An Appropriation Therefor.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars to reimburse Dr. F. R. Smyth for stamping diphtheria out of Mercer county by order of the State Board of Health.

Approved, March 21, 1895.

CHAPTER 4.

[S. B. No. 7.]

CLERK HIRE.

AN ACT to Amend Section 1 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of 1891, Providing Clerk Hire for the Various State Officers and Making an Appropriation Therefor.

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

§ 1. That Section 1 of Chapter 9 of the laws of 1891 be amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. MONTHLY PAYMENTS.] The following amounts are hereby fixed and allowed for clerk hire of the several State officers hereinafter mentioned, which sums shall be paid in monthly payments on the warrant of the State Auditor, commencing January 1st, 1895, to-wit:

Governor's office, for Private Secretary, Stenographer, Messenger, and such other employes as may be at any time necessary, twenty-nine hundred dollars per annum.

Secretary of State's Office, twenty-five hundred dollars per annum.

Treasurer's Office, fifteen hundred dollars per annum.

Auditor's Office, twenty-five hundred dollars per annum.

Attorney General's Office, one thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

Superintendent of Public Instruction's Office, three thousand dollars per annum.

Commissioner of Insurance Office, twenty-one hundred dollars per annum.

Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor's Office, fifteen hundred dollars per annum.

Secretary of the Board of Railroad Commissioner's, one thousand dollars per annum.

Provided, That all clerical appointments shall first be referred to the Governor for his approval.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency existing in that there is no adequate provision of law for the payment and appointment of necessary clerk hire in the respective State offices, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, February 18, 1895.

CHAPTER 5.

[H. B. No. 151.]

COMMITTEE ROOMS.

AN ACT Making an Appropriation to Pay Certain Expenses Incurred by the Fourth Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the expenses of committee rooms, furniture for the same, fuel and lights and such other incidental expenses as either the House of Representatives or Senate authorized to be incurred.

§ 2. AUDITOR TO DRAW WARRANTS.] The State Auditor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the State Treasury in payment of such accounts upon the presentation to him of itemized bills, properly certified by the officers directed and authorized to incur the expenses.

§ 3. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in that it was necessary to incur certain expenses for committee rooms to properly transact the business of the Fourth Legislative Assembly, and such expenses should be paid long prior to July 1st, therefore this act shall take effect and be in force immediately after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 19, 1895.

CHAPTER 6.

[H. B. No. 140.]

COMMISSIONERS OF RAILROADS.

AN ACT Making an Appropriation to Pay Nellie McDonald For Labor as Clerk For Commissioners of Railroads.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] That there is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of sixty dollars, to pay Nellie McDonald for labor as clerk for the Commissioners of Railroads during the year 1891. And the State Auditor is authorized to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer for said amount and in favor of said Nellie McDonald.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency existing in that there is no money appropriated for this purpose; *Therefore*, this act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 19th, 1895.

CHAPTER 7.

[S. B. No. 150.]

EXECUTIVE MANSION.

AN ACT Making an Appropriation for the Purpose of Completing and Furnishing the Executive Mansion and Defraying the Incidental Expenses Thereof for the Years 1895 and 1896.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION EXECUTIVE MANSION, BILLS HOW AUDITED.] That there is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of completing and furnishing the executive mansion, and defraying the incidental expenses thereof for the years 1895 and 1896; to be expended under the direction of the board of trustees in charge of the capitol, to be paid from time to time upon warrants issued by the State Auditor on the presentation of itemized accounts duly certified by said board of trustees.

§ 2: EMERGENCY.] *Whereas*, an emergency exists by reason of the fact that there is now no adequate provision made for the purpose above specified, *Therefore*, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 11th, 1895.

CHAPTER 8.

[H. B. No. 136.]

FIRE COMPANIES.

AN ACT to Appropriate for the Support of Organized Fire Companies Within This State a Portion of the Tax Paid by Fire Insurance Companies upon Premiums Received, and Repealing Chapter 53 of the Session Laws of 1887 of the Territory of Dakota and Chapter 66 of the Session Laws of 1893 of the State of North Dakota.

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

§ 1. DUTY OF CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE CLERK.] The Clerk of every city, town or village in the State of North Dakota having an organized fire department shall on or before the 31st day of October in each year make and file with the Auditor of this State

his certificate, stating the existence of such a department, the date of its organization, the number of steam, hand or other engines, hook and ladder trucks, and hose carts in actual use, the number of organized companies, the number of members of each company, the system of water supply in use in such department, together with such facts as the Auditor may require.

§ 2. DUTY OF COUNTY AUDITOR.] The county auditor of any county, wherein there is an unorganized town of 700 inhabitants or over, with an organized fire company, upon the affidavit of the chief of such company, shall on or before the 31st day of October in each year make and file with the Auditor of this State his certificate, stating the existence of such a department or company, the date of its organization, the number of steam, hand or other engines, hook and ladder trucks, and hose carts, in actual use, the number of organized companies, the number of members in each company and the system of water supply in use in such department, together with such facts as the auditor may require.

§ 3. STATE AUDITOR TO FURNISH BLANKS—INSURANCE COMPANIES TO MAKE STATEMENTS.] The blanks required by law to be furnished by the State Auditor to insurance companies shall contain the names of the cities, towns and villages, incorporated and unincorporated, entitled to the benefits under this act, and every insurance company doing business in this State, shall include in its annual statement the amount of all premiums received by such companies upon policies issued on property situated within the limits of such city, town or village during the year ending on the preceding 31st day of December.

§ 4. TAX, HOW PAID. DUTY OF STATE AUDITOR AND TREASURER IN RELATION THERETO.] The said auditor, on the first day of July thereafter, shall issue and deliver to the treasurer of each city, town or village containing an organized fire department, and to the county auditor of any county having an organized town of 700 inhabitants or over, containing an organized fire department entitled to the benefits under this act, his warrant upon the State Treasurer for an amount equal to two per cent. of the premiums received upon policies issued on property in any such city, town or village, which warrants shall be numbered consecutively, and shall each specify the date of its issuance and to whom payable, and such warrants shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the treasurer of any such city, town or village, and to the county auditor of any county wherein there is an unincorporated town of 700 inhabitants or over, containing an organized fire department, upon presentation thereof, and when so received by said treasurer or county auditor, the same shall be paid over to said company or companies, in equal proportion, having a membership of at least fifteen members for a period of three months, prior to the date of the certificate of the clerk or county auditor, as provided in Sections one (1) and two (2) of this act, having at least one

steam; hand or fire engine, hook and ladder truck, or hose cart, upon the written order of such company or companies, approved by the city council, trustees or other governing body of such city, town, village or unincorporated town. *Provided*, That in cities, towns and villages having a paid fire department, the amount so received by the city, town or village treasurer shall be placed in a fund to be disbursed by the city council, trustees or other governing body of such city, town or village in maintaining such fire department.

§ 5. QUALIFICATION OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.] No city, town or village, incorporated or unincorporated, shall be entitled to any of the benefits arising from this act unless the fire department shall have been in actual existence three months prior to the filing of the certificate required by Sections one (1) and two (2) of this act, and unless such fire department shall have had for such period as a part of its equipment at least one steam, hand or other fire engine, or hook and ladder truck, or hose cart, with a membership of at least fifteen persons for said period of three months.

§ 6. CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION TO BE FILED.] If the certificate required by Sections one (1) and two (2) of this act is not filed with the State Auditor on or before the 31st day of October in each year, the city, town or village or county so failing to file such certificate shall be deemed to have waived and relinquished its rights for such year to the appropriation herein provided for.

§ 7. REPEAL.] Chapter 53 of the Session Laws of 1887 of the Territory of Dakota, and Chapter 66 of the Session Laws of 1893 of the State of North Dakota, are each hereby repealed.

§ 8. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in that there is no adequate law regulating the subject herein, therefore this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 4, 1895.

CHAPTER 9.

[S. B. No. 126.]

ERADICATION OF RUSSIAN THISTLE.

AN ACT to appropriate \$30,000 to Pay Expenses Necessarily Incident to the Eradication of Russian Thistles and French Weeds.

Whereas, These certain noxious plants, called Russian thistles and French weeds, now recognized practically and scientifically as the most formidable of any enemy to cereal growth, have invaded and possessed large areas on the southern borders of this State; have ruined farms, destroyed homes, driven citizens into exile, and have already diminished the annual production of agriculture estimated by millions, and

Whereas, The enormous fecundity of the said plants are annually expanding the area of its devastation with startling strides, while also from that area as a propagating agency the seeds of said pests are constantly being scattered and planting themselves in cultivated lands in remote parts of the State, menacing with disaster the agricultural and consequently all the industries of North Dakota, and,

Whereas, In the area distinctly in possession of such thistles it is beyond the financial ability of many land owners and of the local authorities to eradicate such thistles and French weeds,

NOW THEREFORE, As a measure of public safety and also for the relief of citizens of the State from hopeless loss of home and property,

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

§ I. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the expense necessarily incident to the eradication of Russian thistles and French weeds in the State of North Dakota, to be expended under the direction of a board of commissioners which shall be designated the Executive Relief Board, which board shall consist of the Governor and two competent persons whom he may appoint to hold their offices until the Governor shall appoint their successors.

Approved, March 23, 1895.

CHAPTER 10.

[S. B. No. 25.]

HOSPITAL FOR INSANE.

AN ACT for an Appropriation For the Current and Contingent Expenses of the Hospital For the Insane at Jamestown.

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

§ I. APPROPRIATION.] That there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money for the purpose of paying the current and contingent expenses of the hospital for the insane at Jamestown, for the fiscal years of 1895 and 1896, beginning March 1st, 1895, to-wit:

Maintenance	\$ 59,000 00
Employee's wages.	35,000 00
Incidental expenses.	2,000 00
Return of patients and burial of dead.	1,800 00
Farm implements.	300 00
Deficiency for fuel and lights	6,500 00
Fuel	22,000 00
Electric repairs and supplies.	550 00
Engine room supplies.	500 00
Blacksmith shop supplies.	250 00
Repairs to brickwork to boilers.	600 00

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in this that the fiscal year for which this appropriation is made begins before July 1st, and the funds hereby appropriated in part will be needed before that time, *Therefore*, this act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 22, 1895.

CHAPTER 11.

[S. B. No. 107.]

NORTH DAKOTA REFORM SCHOOL.

AN ACT to Suspend Chapter 11, of the Laws of 1893, Being "An Act for an Appropriation for the Erection of the North Dakota Reform School at Mandan, and for Incidental and Contingent Expenses for the Same."

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

§ 1. SUSPENDED.] That Chapter 11, of the Laws of 1893, are hereby suspended and made inoperative until the first Tuesday of February, 1897.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] *Whereas*, an emergency exists in this, that there is no way to prevent the amount appropriated in said Chapter 11 from being used under the provisions of said Chapter 11 prior to July 1, 1895; therefor, this act shall [take] effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 19, 1895.

CHAPTER 12.

[S. B. No. 54.]

NORMAL SCHOOL AT MAYVILLE.

AN ACT Providing for an Appropriation for the Maintenance and Improvements of the State Normal School at Mayville, N. D.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seven thousand seven hundred (\$7,700), or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of maintaining the State Normal School, at Mayville, N. D., for the ensuing two years, as follows:

Janitor labor	\$ 1,400 00
Incidentals	1,940 00
Deficiency on heating plant and fuel.....	4,360 00

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in that the biennial period begins March 1st, 1895. Therefore, this act shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 22, 1895.

CHAPTER 13.

[S. B. No. 26.]

NORMAL SCHOOL AT VALLEY CITY.

AN ACT Providing for an Appropriation for the Maintenance of the State Normal School at Valley City, North Dakota.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of four thousand six hundred dollars (\$4,600.00), or so much as may be necessary for the purpose of maintaining the State Normal School at Valley City, N. D., for the ensuing two years, beginning March 1st, 1895, as follows:

Fuel and lights.....	\$ 2,400 00
Janitor.....	1,200 00
Incidentals.....	1,000 00

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in that the biennial period begins March 1st, 1895, therefore this act shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 22, 1895.

CHAPTER 14.

[S. B. No. 29.]

PENITENTIARY.

AN ACT Providing for an Appropriation for the Current and Contingent Expenses of the Penitentiary at Bismarck, and for Making Needed Permanent Improvements Thereat.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION FOR PENITENTIARY.] That there is hereby appropriated the sum of forty-three thousand four hundred and forty (\$43,440) dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary out of any moneys in the State treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the current and contingent expenses of the State penitentiary at Bismarck, and making needed permanent improvements thereat, for two years, beginning with March 1st, 1895, to be used as follows:

For warden's salary.....	\$	3,000
For deputy warden's salary.....		2,000
For guards and employes.....		8,640
For maintenance.....		20,000
For heating and lighting.....		4,000
For physicians and medicines.....		800
For transportation, clothing and temporary aid to discharged convicts		2,000
For clothing.....		1,500
For water supply.....		1,500

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in this, that there is no provision made for the support of the penitentiary after February 28th, 1895, *Therefore*, this act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 22, 1895.

CHAPTER 15.

[H. B. No. 77.]

REVISION COMMISSION.

AN ACT to Appropriate Money to Pay Postage Required by the Joint Committee to Consider the Report of the Revision Commission.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated out of any money not otherwise appropriated the sum of three hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to enable the Joint Committee to consider the report of the Revision Commission, to send the Journals containing the proposed changes to such persons as the members of the Legislative Assembly may designate.

EMERGENCY.] An emergency existing in that it is necessary to distribute the Journals referred to prior to July 1st, '95; *Therefore*, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, February 5, 1895.

CHAPTER 16.

[S. B. No. 32.]

SOLDIERS' HOME.

AN ACT Providing for an Appropriation for the Current and Contingent Expenses, Furnishing, Maintenance and for Making Needed Permanent Improvements and Repairs for the Soldiers' Home at Lisbon.

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

§ I. APPROPRIATION.] That there is hereby appropriated the following sums of money, or as much thereof as may be necessary, out of any money in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the current and contingent expenses, furnishing, maintenance, and for making needed permanent improvements and repairs for the soldiers' home at Lisbon for the ensuing two years, to-wit:

	CURRENT EXPENSES.	
Commandant's salary.....		\$ 2,000 00
	SUBSISTANCE.	
Maintenance		5,000 00
Employes' wages.....		1,400 00
	CLOTHING.	
Clothing		1,000 00
	HOUSEHOLD.	
Fuel and lights.....		1,500 00
	HOSPITAL.	
Surgeon's salary.....		600 00
Burial of dead.....		200 00
	TRANSPORTATION.	
Transportation		200 00
		\$ 11,900 00
Total.....		\$ 11,900 00

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] *Whereas*, An emergency exists in this, that there will be no available funds before July 1st to meet the expenses of said institution; *Therefore*, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 22, 1895.

CHAPTER 17.

[H. B. No. 38.]

SOUTH DAKOTA REFORM SCHOOL.

AN ACT to Appropriate Money to Compensate the State of South Dakota for Caring, Providing for and Schooling North Dakota's Refractory Children at the South Dakota Reform School.

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

§ I. APPROPRIATIONS.] There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the

sum of \$2,458.32, being the amount due the State of South Dakota from the State of North Dakota for caring, providing for and schooling North Dakota's refractory children, at the South Dakota Reformatory to December 31, 1894.

§ 2. AUDITOR TO DRAW WARRANT.] The State Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer for the amount hereby appropriated and due the State of South Dakota when presented with an itemized bill of the said indebtedness, properly signed and attested by the Superintendent of the South Dakota Reform School, and approved by the Governor of this State. There being an emergency in that no appropriation has been made to meet the indebtedness thus incurred by the State of North Dakota, therefore this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 18, 1895.

CHAPTER 18.

[S. B. No. 40.]

STATE UNIVERSITY.

AN ACT Making an Appropriation for Maintenance of the State University and for Needed Permanent Improvements of the State University.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of fifteen thousand nine hundred eighty (\$15,980) dollars or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of maintaining the State university for the ensuing two years, as follows:

Janitor.....	\$	3,200
Repairs of buildings and grounds.....		1,500
Deficiency in fuel and lights.....		5,000
Water supply.....		500
Incidentals.....		5,780

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] *Whereas*, an emergency exists in this that a portion of the money hereby appropriated is needed for immediate use, *Therefore*, this act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 22, 1895.

CHAPTER 19.

[S. B. No. 35.]

SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB.

AN ACT Providing for an Appropriation for the Maintenance and the Current and Contingent Expenses of the School for the Deaf of North Dakota, at Devils Lake, for Deficiency, and for Making Needed Improvements Thereat.

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] That there is hereby appropriated the following sums of money, or as much thereof as may be necessary, out of any moneys in the State treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the maintenance and the current and contingent expenses of the School for the Deaf, of North Dakota, at Devils Lake, and for necessary permanent improvements, and for deficiency as hereinafter mentioned, for the fiscal two years beginning April 1st, 1895:

For maintenance.....	\$	23,000
For deficiency.....		250

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in this that the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made will begin before July 1st, and the funds hereby appropriated in part will be needed before that time. *Therefore*, this act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 23, 1895.

CHAPTER 20.

[S. B. No. 84.]

FOR EXPENSES OF WEATHER AND CROP SERVICE.

AN ACT Amending Section 7, Chapter 127, Laws of 1893, Entitled "An Act to Establish a Weather and Crop Service for the Collection and Dissemination of Crop Statistics and Meteorological Data."

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Section 7 of Chapter 127, Laws of 1893, entitled an Act to establish a Weather and Crop Service for the collection and dissemination of crop statistics and meteorological data, is hereby amended to read:

§ 7. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated, or as much thereof, as may be necessary, the sum of five hundred

dollars annually for expenses of the Weather and Crop Service herein provided for.

The said amount of five hundred dollars to be expended under the direction of the director provided for in Section 2 of this act.

Approved, March 23, 1895.

ASSESSMENT.

CHAPTER 21.

[S. B. No. 77.]

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS IN CITIES.

An Act to Amend Section 25 of Article 15 of Chapter 73 of the Session Laws of 1887.

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

§ 1. That Section 25 of Article 15 of Chapter 73 of the Session Laws of 1887 be amended to read as follows:

§ 25. DUTY OF CITY TREASURER.] The city treasurer shall transmit a certified copy of all unpaid special assessment real estate taxes to the county auditor, with a description of all lots or parcels of real estate so assessed on or before the 15th day of September of each year. The county auditor shall extend the same upon the tax roll of the county in the same manner as other taxes are extended. The county treasurer of such county shall collect and enforce the collection of the said special assessment tax in the same manner as other taxes and shall pay over to the city treasurer on the first of any month on demand all such taxes so collected during the preceding month, retaining two per cent. of such taxes as his commission for collecting the same, and shall forthwith notify the city auditor of the amount so paid over, giving a description of the real property upon which the same is paid and the amount of special assessment paid thereon.

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

Approved, March 19, 1895.