SESSION LAWS, 1897.

FROM THE MILITARY FUND.

For maintenance of the national guard, at \$3,000 per annum, from April 1, 1897, to March 31, 1899.....

\$6,000 00

Provided, That no pay shall be allowed for stated parades, and not more than \$300.00 per annum allowed to companies for armory rent and incidental expenses.

For Washington state fair \$5,500 00

Passed the Senate March 9, 1897.

Passed the House March 10, 1897.

NOTE BY THE GOVERNOR. - The appropriation of \$25,500.00 for the Chenev normal school, \$17,500.00 for maintenance of Whatcom normal school, and \$20,000 for equipment and improving grounds of the said Whatcom school are hereby objected to and disapproved. The reason for such disapproval being that such appropriations are opposed to a just public policy at the present time. With these exceptions the bill is hereby approved.

J. R. ROGERS, Governor.

Approved March 15, 1897.

CHAPTER LXXIII. [S. B. No. 258.]

FOR THE PROTECTION OF STURGEON.

AN ACT for the protection of sturgeon in the waters of this state. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Hereafter it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to take, capture, kill or have in their possession after the same has been taken, captured or killed, any sturgeon between the first day of March and the first day of November in each and every year, under a penalty of twenty dollars for each and every sturgeon so taken,

or fish for the same by any device or appliance whatever,

captured, killed or had unlawfully. SEC. 2. It shall not be lawful at any time to take or kill any young sturgeon under three feet and a half in length,

Sturgeon protected between March and November.

under 31 feet protected.

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Sturgeon

in the waters of this state; and any person or persons fishing with gill nets, pound nets, set nets, fish wheel or other fishing apparatus whatever in the waters of this state, who, on lifting, drawing, taking up or removing any of said nets or other fishing apparatus shall find young sturgeon under four feet in length entangled or caught therein, shall Disposition of, immediately with care and with the least possible injury to the fish, disentangle and let loose the same, and transmit the fish to the water without violence; any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this section or having in their possession young sturgeon under four feet in length, either for consumption or sale, or who is known willfully to destroy the same, for so offending, shall Penalty. on conviction thereof be punished with a fine of ten dollars for each and every fish so caught, sold or destroyed, and in default of paying such fine, on being convicted thereof, shall be imprisoned in the county jail for thirty days.

SEC. 3. An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 10, 1897.

Passed the House March 11, 1897.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1897.

CHAPTER LXXIV.

[S. B. No. 231.]

TIME ALLOWANCE FOR GOOD BEHAVIOR OF CONVICTS.

AN ACT to amend section 20 of an act entitled "An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency," approved March 9, 1891, being section 1160 of the first volume of the General Statutes and Codes of Washington, as arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. That section 20 of an act entitled "An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and