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## CHAPTER XC.

## STATE SEAL.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION AND PROCURING OF A SEAL FOR THE STATE OF COLORADO, AND DESIGNATING THE OFFICER WHO SHALL LAWFULLY USE THE SAME AND BE ITS CUSTODIAN, AND TO DECLARE THE PENALTY FOR ILLEGALLY USING OR COUNTERFEITING THE SAID SEAL, AND TO REPEAL CHAPTER LXXVIII OF THE REVISED STATUTES.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

Style and device  
of seal.

2422. SECTION 1. That the seal of the state shall be two and one-half inches in diameter, with the following device inscribed thereon: An heraldic shield, bearing in chief, or upon the upper portion of the same, upon a red ground, three snow capped mountains; above, surrounding clouds; upon the lower part thereof, upon a golden ground, a miner's badge, as prescribed by the rules of heraldry; as a crest above the shield, the eye of God, being golden rays proceeding from the lines of a triangle; below the crest and above the shield, as a scroll, the Roman fasces, bearing upon a band of red, white and blue the words, "Union and Constitution;" below the whole, the motto "*Ni! Sine Numine*;" the whole to be surrounded by the words "State of Colorado," and the figures "1876."

Punishment for  
illegal use,  
forgery, counter-  
feiting, etc., of  
state seal.

2423. SEC. 2. Any person who shall illegally use or affix the seal of this state to any written or printed document whatever, or shall fraudulently forge, deface, corrupt, or counterfeit the same, or affix said forged, defaced, corrupted, or counterfeited seal to any commission, deed, warrant, pardon, certificate or other written or printed instrument, or shall have in his or her possession or custody any such seal, knowing it to be falsely made and counterfeited, and shall wilfully conceal the same, shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished at hard labor in the penitentiary for a term of not less than two years, nor more than ten years, at the discretion of the judge of the court before whom the conviction was obtained.

Custodian of  
seal.

2424. SEC. 3. The secretary of state is alone authorized to use or affix the seal of this state to any document whatever, and he only in pursuance of law; and the said secre-

tary is hereby made the custodian of the seal of the state and responsible for its safe keeping.

2425. SEC. 4. The secretary of state is hereby authorized and required to procure, for the use of the state, a seal as described in section one of this act, and the auditor is hereby authorized to audit the bill for the same and draw his warrant on the treasurer for the amount of said audited bill.

Secretary to  
procure seal.

2426. SEC. 5. That chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes of Colorado is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

Approved, March 15, 1877.

## CHAPTER XCI.

### SCHOOL OF MINES.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCORPORATION, MAINTENANCE, MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT OF THE SCHOOL OF MINES.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2427. SECTION 1. The state school of mines, located at Golden, in the county of Jefferson, is hereby declared to be a body corporate under the name of "School of Mines," and by that name may sue and be sued; may take and hold real and personal property by gift, bequest, devise or purchase for the state, and may sell and dispose of the same when authorized so to do by law.

Incorporation,  
rights and  
privileges.

2428. SEC. 2. There shall be a board of trustees of said school of mines, to be composed of five persons, who shall, except as hereinafter provided, hold their office for a period of four years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Any three of said board of trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the said board shall have such powers and perform such duties as are hereinafter specified.

Number of trustees and term of office.

2429. SEC. 3. The first board of trustees shall be composed of the following persons, who are hereby appointed for such purpose, to wit: William A. H. Loveland, Francis E. Everett, James T. Smith, Alpheus Wright and N. P. Hill, the first three of whom shall hold their office

First board of trustees designated.