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# AN ACT

AMENDING THE CRIMINAL CODE AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUNISHMENT OF PERSONS OBSTRUCTING RAILROAD TRACKS AND ENDANGERING THE SAFETY OF PASSENGERS.

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

Obstructing railroad or tramway.

SECTION. 1. If any person shall wilfully and intentionally place any obstruction upon the track of any railroad or tramway operated by steam or in any other manner with the intention to wreck any train of cars or throw the same, or any part thereof from the track of such railroad, or to endanger the safety of any train of cars passing over such track, or if any person shall set fire to and burn, or otherwise destroy any bridge or other superstructure of any railroad of this State, with the like intent, he shall be adjudged guilty of felony, and shall be liable to indictment, and on conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than five nor more than fifteen years.

Penalty.

Attempt to obstruct railroad or tramway.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall attempt to commit any or either of the offences named in the preceding section, and in such attempt shall do any act towards the commission thereof, but shall fail in the perpetration of such offence, or shall be prevented or intercepted in executing the same, shall be adjudged guilty of felony, and shall be liable to indictment, and on conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than two years nor more than five years.

Penalty.

Throwing stones at any trains.

SEC. 3. If any person shall wilfully and maliciously throw a stone or stones or any other missile, at or against any train of passenger or freight cars, or any part thereof, or the engine hauling the same, passing along or over any railroad of this State, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to indictment, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding two

Penalty.

hundred and fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

*Approved February 11, 1883.*

## AN ACT

TO CREATE AND ESTABLISH CRIMINAL COURTS IN THE COUNTIES OF ARAPAHOE, LAKE AND PUEBLO RESPECTIVELY AND TO DESIGNATE THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE TERMS THEREOF.

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

SECTION 1. Criminal courts are hereby created and established one in and for the county of Arapahoe, one in and for the county of Lake and one in and for the county of Pueblo, in the State of Colorado, to be organized and maintained, and to have and exercise such jurisdiction and powers, and to be governed by such practice and procedure as now are or may hereafter be provided by law for such courts, or made applicable to such courts. Creation of the courts.

SEC. 2. Four terms of the criminal courts shall be held in each of said counties in each year, commencing on the first Monday of March, the first Monday of June, the first Monday of September and the first Monday of December respectively. Terms.

SEC. 3. Inasmuch as an emergency exists this act shall take effect from and after its passage. Emergency.

*Approved February 11, 1883.*