

SEC. 2. Time and place of meeting. Said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall meet at Eddyville on the first Monday in August next, or within sixty days thereafter, and proceed to lay out and establish said road according to law.

SEC. 3. Further duties. So soon as the counties west of Lucas county are organized, the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall proceed to lay out and establish said road from Chariton Point to the Missouri river, opposite to the Council Bluffs.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

CHAPTER 3.

CITY OF KEOSAUQUA.

AN ACT to amend the several acts for the incorporation of the city of Keosauqua.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

SECTION 1. Acts amended. That section 16 of an act to incorporate the city of Keosauqua, approved, February 17th, 1842, and the 6th section of an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Keosauqua, approved, February 10th, 1843, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

[11] CHAPTER 4.

TOWN OF CEDAR RAPIDS.

AN ACT to authorize Nicholas B. Brown and others to resurvey a portion of the town of Cedar Rapids, in Linn county, Iowa.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

SECTION 1. Part of town to be resurveyed—proviso. That George Greene, Alexander L. Ely, and Nicholas B. Brown, proprietors of that portion of the town of Cedar Rapids, in Linn county, Iowa, lying west of Commercial street, and between said street and Cedar river, be, and they are hereby authorized to resurvey and divide the same into lots of a convenient size, and dispose of or use the same for hydraulic or other purposes; provided, that nothing herein contained shall operate as a bar to any suit for any actual damages that any person may sustain by reason of such re-survey.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

CHAPTER 5.

PUBLICATION OF LAWS.

AN ACT in relation to evidence.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

SECTION 1. Evidence of the publication of laws, etc. That all laws and joint resolutions passed by the general assembly of said state, and required therein to be published in any newspaper or papers in said state, shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of said publication, and the printed

certificate of the publisher appended to said law or laws, as to the date of said publication, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the same, and said certificate shall be *prima facie* evidence of itself.

SEC. 2. **Evidence of distribution, etc.** Be it further enacted, that the certificate of the secretary of state, appended to, and accompanying any bound volume or pamphlet laws of this state, certifying that said laws and resolutions were distributed throughout the state, shall be *prima facie* evidence in all courts in this state, that the same were so distributed, circulated, or published as therein stated.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

[12] CHAPTER 6.

DEEDS FROM THE STATE.

AN ACT in relation to deeds.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

SECTION 1. **Deeds, how made—deeds, effect of.** That all deeds hereafter to be executed by the state of Iowa, for the conveyance of lands within the same, shall be signed by the governor of said state, or the person exercising the office of governor, under the seal of the state, and countersigned by the secretary of said state, or the person exercising that office, which deed, thus executed and delivered, shall convey all of the right, title and interest of the state of Iowa in and to the land therein mentioned, to the grantees mentioned in said deed.

SEC. 2. **Evidence of execution.** That all deeds thus executed and delivered, shall be received in all courts of law or equity in this state, as *prima facie* evidence of their execution and delivery.

SEC. 3. **Need not be recorded.** It shall not be necessary, in order to render any such deed good and valid, that the same should be acknowledged or recorded, as now required by the laws of this state; but should the same be recorded as other deeds, then certified copies thereof may be used in any court of this state, as copies of other deeds are now authorized to be used, and have the same force and legal validity.

SEC. 4. **Minute of deeds—evidence.** It shall be the duty of the secretary of state to procure a suitable blank book in which shall be minuted the number and description of land sold, when the deed was executed, and to whom sold, which said book shall be received in all courts in this state as *prima facie* evidence of the fact or facts therein contained.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

[13] CHAPTER 7.

DUBUQUE TOWNSHIP.

AN ACT supplemental and amendatory to "an act to amend an act entitled an act for the organization of townships."

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

SECTION 1. **Act amended.** That so much of the sixth section of "an act to amend an act entitled an act for the organization of townships," approved, June