

quired, having the greatest number of votes shall be considered elected to fill such vacancy or vacancies.

SEC. 9. Notice—duty of electors. That immediately after such choice is made in the manner aforesaid, the name or names of the person or persons so chosen shall forthwith be certified to the governor, by the electors making such choice, and the governor shall cause immediate notice in writing to be given to each and every one of the electors chosen to fill such vacancy or vacancies as aforesaid, and the said person or persons so elected and notified, and not the person or persons in whose place he or they shall have been chosen, shall be electors, and shall meet the other electors at the same time and place, and then and there discharge all and singular the duties enjoined on him or them as electors aforesaid, by the constitution and laws of the United States and of this state.

[173] **SEC. 10. Fees, etc.** That the sheriffs of the different counties shall each receive for his services performed under this act, the following fees, to wit: for advertising the election of electors, the sum of fifty cents for each township within his county; for attending at the seat of justice to receive the township returns, the sum of two dollars; for delivering the poll books to the secretary of state at his office, the sum of two dollars for every twenty-five miles' travel to and from the seat of government, the distance to be estimated from their respective seats of justice, on the most usual route, to the seat of government; which fees shall be allowed by the auditor, on the certificate of the secretary of state, and paid by the treasurer of state.

SEC. 11. Fees of electors. That each and every elector who shall attend as an elector at the seat of government as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive two dollars for each and every day's attendance, and two dollars for every twenty-five miles travel of the estimated distance, by the most usual route from his place of residence to the seat of government, and the like sum for returning; which sum shall be allowed by the auditor, on the certificate of the governor, and paid by the treasurer out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: provided, however, that when a member of the general assembly shall be appointed an elector he shall not be entitled to the compensation herein allowed.

SEC. 12. Judges and clerk's compensation. That the judges and clerks of the township elections held under this act, and the clerks of the different counties, shall be paid the like compensation, out of their respective county treasuries, and in like manner as they are entitled to for similar services under and by virtue of the existing election laws.

Approved, February 24th, 1847.

CHAPTER 115.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

AN ACT making an appropriation for the public buildings at Iowa City.

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

SECTION 1. Appropriation. That there is hereby appropriated towards the completion of the public buildings at Iowa City, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 2. Superintendent. The said appropriation shall be expended under the superintendence of the treasurer of the state, who is hereby allowed the sum of two hundred dollars as compensation for said services.

[174] **SEC. 3. How applied.** That said money shall be applied in the manner best calculated to secure the said buildings and prevent their injury.

Approved, February 25th, 1847.

CHAPTER 116.

DISTRICT COURTS.

AN ACT fixing the times of holding district courts in the first judicial district.

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

SECTION 1. Time of courts. That from and after the first day of January, one thousand, eight hundred and forty-eight, the times of holding district courts in the several counties of the first judicial district of this state, shall be as follows:

Louisa county. In Louisa county, on the first Mondays in March and September;

Washington. In Washington county, on the second Mondays in March and September;

Henry. In Henry county, on the third Mondays in March and September;

Des Moines. In Des Moines county, on the first Mondays in April and October;

Lee. In Lee county, on the first Monday in February, fourth Monday in May, and first Monday in November.

Approved, February 24th, 1847.

CHAPTER 117.

TOWNS.

AN ACT incorporating towns.

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

SECTION 1. Petition—proviso. That whenever the inhabitants of any town wish to become incorporated for the better regulation of their internal police, it shall be lawful for the qualified voters who shall have resided six months therein to petition to the board of county commissioners in the county in which such town is situate to that effect: provided, such towns exceed in population five hundred inhabitants.

SEC. 2. Election—notice. When a majority of all the qualified voters who shall live within the limits of such proposed incorporation shall have signed said petition, and the same is presented to said board, they shall order an election to be held at the usual place of holding elections in said town, on some day within one month from that time, for the purpose of electing five trustees of such incorporation, of which said board shall [175] cause ten days' notice to be given by written advertisements to be put up in three of the most public places in said town.

SEC. 3. Election. At the meeting of said qualified voters for the election of trustees, they shall first proceed to elect a chairman and a clerk of said meeting, who, after being duly qualified, shall proceed to open a poll and receive the legal votes of the town for five trustees; and, also "for incorporating" and "against incorporating" said town; and, if a majority of the votes