

publication in the Des Moines Register and the Cherokee Times, to be published without expense to the State. In force when.

Approved, March 20th, 1872.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Daily Iowa State Register*, March 24, and in *The Cherokee Times*, March 29, 1872.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

CH. 57.] CHAPTER XXXIX. [H. F. 213.

INDEPENDENT DISTRICT OF ELM GROVE, IN POLK AND WARREN COUNTIES.

AN ACT to Legalize the Organization of the Independent School-District of Elm Grove, in the Township[s] of Bloomfield, Polk county, and Greenfield, Warren county, Iowa. MARCH 25.

WHEREAS, On the 14th day of May, 1867, the trustees of Bloomfield township, in said Polk county, did, at the written request of ten legal voters in sub-district number five, in said Bloomfield township, establish the boundaries of the then contemplated district of Elm Grove, embracing sections twenty-five, twenty-six, thirty-five, thirty-six, and the east half of sections twenty-seven and thirty-four, in township seventy-eight north of range twenty-four, west of the fifth p.m., Iowa, in said Bloomfield township, Polk county, Iowa, and sections one and two, and the east half of section three, in township seventy-seven north of range twenty-four, west of fifth p.m., Iowa, in said township of Greenfield, in Warren county, and containing more than two hundred inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, All the electors within said boundaries, at a meeting held on the 25th day of May, 1867, pursuant to a notice thereof, duly given by the trustees of said Bloomfield township, voted for such separate organization, and on the 15th day of June, A. D. 1867, pursuant to a notice duly given by said trustees, elected officers for said independent school organization, as provided by law, and have ever since kept and maintained the same; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the organization of said independent school-district, by reason of alleged irregularities in the proceedings to organize the same; therefore,

Organization of district in two counties, &c., legalized.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That said independent school-district of Elm Grove, in said townships of Bloomfield, in Polk county, and Greenfield, in Warren county, Iowa, be, and the same is hereby, declared to be a valid and legal organization, with said boundaries, the same as though all the requirements of the laws then in force for the organization of independent school-districts had been fully and strictly complied with.

Acts of officers legalized.

SEC. 2. All the acts of the *de facto* officers of said independent school-district of Elm Grove are hereby confirmed and declared to have the same force and effect as though all the proceedings in the organization thereof were regular and in strict conformity with the requirements of law.

In force when.

SEC. 3. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its publication in *The Review and Leader*, newspapers published at Des Moines, without expense to the State.

Approved, March 25th, 1872.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Leader*, April 4, and in the *Iowa Review*, April 6, 1872.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

CH. 59.]

CHAPTER XL.

[S. F. 16.]

ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE
LEGALIZED.

MARCH 29.

AN ACT to Legalize the Annexation of certain Territory to the City of Knoxville, in Marion County, Iowa.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, On the sixth day of March, A. D. 1871, the petition of a large number of citizens of sections one and twelve, township seventy-five, range twenty west, the south one-half of section six, and the east one-half, and the south-west one-fourth, of section seven, township seventy-five, range nineteen west, which includes Neal's addition, Walters and Roach's addition, Hillis's addition, and Eldridge's additions to the city of Knoxville, and South-west Knoxville, Matthews' addition to Knoxville, and North-west Knoxville, the said large number of citizens being a majority of the qualified