being seized and possessed at the time of her death in fee Preamble. simple of the following described real estate, situate in the city of Burlington, Des Moines county, Iowa, to-wit: lot number twenty five in the northern addition to the city

of Burlington; and

WHEREAS, At the time of her death, she had no child, or children, father or mother, brothers or sisters, or descendants of either, her surviving, or others upon whom descent could be cast, except her husband, John Parrott, who survives her, she having died in lawful wedlock;

WHEREAS, One undivided one-half of said real estate

would escheat to the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, It is but just that said John Parrott, her surviving husband, should hold and possess in his own

right the entirety of said estate; therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Rechest from wife without helps the State of Iowa, That the State of Iowa does hereby relinquished to relinquish all right or title, which she now has or might band. acquire by escheat, in and to lot number twenty-five, in the northern addition to the city of Burlington, Iowa, by reason of the death of Sarah Parrott aforesaid, and hereby grants the same and relinquishes her right therein to the said John Parrott, surviving husband of said Sarah Parrott, and to his heirs, assigns, and vendees.

Approved, April 9th, 1872.

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CHAPTER LII.

[H. F. 346.

PROVIDING FOR A CENSUS IN 1873.

AN ACT to Provide for Taking a Census of this State in the year APRIL 9. A. D. 1873.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly Tp. assessor to of the State of Iowa, That the township assessor of each habitants in 1878 township in this State shall, at the time of assessing property in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-three, take an enumeration of the inhabitants of his township, showing the total number of males, total number of females, number of persons entitled to vote, number of militia, number of foreigners not naturalized, number of families, number of dwellings, and number of acres of Items required.

improved land, and such other items as the Census Board

shall deem important.

SEC. 2. That it is hereby made the duty of the Census Census boards to Board to prepare, and cause to be furnished each township furnish blanks. assessor in the State, suitable blanks, upon which to take

and make the necessary returns of said census. That in taking such census, the township

county auditors, and Census Board.

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Duty of assessor, assessor, county auditors of the several counties, and Census Board, are hereby required and authorized to proceed in all respects as is now provided by chapter fortyeight, Revision of 1860, for clerks of district courts, assessors, and Census Board, for taking the general census, except as herein otherwise provided, and the Census Board shall cause five thousand copies of the abstracts of such census to be printed in pamphlet form, and distribute at least ten copies to each county auditor in this State by

> the first day of January, 1874. Approved, April 9th, 1872.

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CHAPTER LIII.

[H. F. 402.

E. C. MOUNT, AUDITOR OF GUTHRIE COUNTY.

APRIL 10.

AN ACT to Legalize certain Acts of E. C. Mount, as Auditor of Guthrie County, Iowa.

Acknowledg. ments before county auditor legalized.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That all acknowledgments of schoolfund mortgages and otherwise, made and executed before E. C. Mount, as auditor of Guthrie county, and State of Iowa, be, and hereby are, legalized and made valid, and with the same force and effect as if he had at the time of the taking of such acknowledgments, been by the law duly authorized to do and perform such act.

In force when,

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed by the General Assembly to be of immediate importance, shall be in force and take effect from and after its publication in the Guthrie Vedette and Stuart Locomotive, provided said publication be without expense to the State.

Approved, April 10th, 1872.