town, and have performed such other duties devolving upon them, including the levy of taxes, as authorized by law; therefore, Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Incorporation legalized.

Section 1. That the incorporation of the said town of Ossian, be, and the same is hereby legalized as fully and completely as if all the requirements of the Code of Iowa, 1873, relating to the incorporation of towns had been strictly complied with.

Ordinances and acts legalized.

SEC. 2. That all ordinances passed and the rules and regulations adopted by the council of said town, and all taxes levied, and all the official acts of said council and officers thereunder within the legal limits of the powers of incorporated towns, be, and the same are hereby legalized as fully and completely as if no such defects in the incorporation of said town existed.

Publication.

SEC. 3. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a paper published at Des Moines, and in the Decorah Republican, a paper published at Decorah, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved, February 23, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, February 26, and in the Decorah Republican, Murch 1, 1878. JOSIAH T. YOUNG, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 16.

INDEPENDENT DISTRICT NO. 7, CHICKASAW COUNTY.

H. F. 170.

AN ACT to Legalize Independent District Number Seven, of Dayton Township, in Chickasaw county, Iowa.

Preamble.

Whereas, Independent district number seven, of Dayton township, Chickasaw county, Iowa, composed of sections twenty-seven, twenty-eight, thirty-three and thirty-four, of township ninety-five north, of range thirteen west of the 5th P. M., was duly formed from the territory aforessid. Said territory having been set off from adjacent independent districts for the purpose of being formed into said district number seven, all the laws of the State in relation to the forming of such independent district having been fully complied with: and

having been fully complied with; and
Whereas, On the tenth of April, 1877, the electors of said
independent district held their first election upon notice duly
given, at which election officers for said district were elected in

accordance with requirements of law; and

WHEREAS, Said officers have been duly qualified and performed

all the duties of their respective offices; and

WHEREAS, Said independent district is exercising all the functions and powers of independent districts in the State; but WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the formation and organization of such independent district; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of

Iowa:

SECTION 1. That the formation and organization of indepen-formation of dent district number seven, of Dayton township, Chickasaw acts of officers county, Iowa, be legalized and the official acts of its officers be legalized. made legal and binding, as when done in compliance with the law governing independent districts in the State.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall Publication.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect from and after its publication, without expense to the state, in the Iowa State Register, and the New Hampton Courier, newspapers published in Polk and Chickasaw counties, Iowa.

Approved, February 23, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the New Hampton Courier, February 28, and in the Iowa State Register, March 1, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 17.

RELIEF OF JOSEPH BONE.

AN ACT for the Relief of Joseph Bone.

S. F. 5.

Whereas, The State of Iowa selected the south east quarter of Preamble. section number seven (7) in township number eighty-seven (87) north, of range number twenty-six (26) west of the 5th P. M., Iowa, as school land, under the 500,000 acre tract, and sold the same to Joseph Bone, October 2nd, A. D., 1865, for the sum of three hundred and ninety-five (\$395.00) dollars, then paid by him and issued him a patent therefor; and,

WHEREAS, It has been adjudged by the court that the said land enured to the Des Moines Navigation Company under the settlement of the state made with said company in 1858, and that the said Bone acquired no title by said purchase from the state; and,

WHEREAS, There is now due the said Joseph Bone from the State of Iowa, the said purchase money with six per cent. interest, amounting to six hundred and eighty-seven and 30-100 (\$687.30) dollars; therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That there is hereby appropriated to Joseph Bone \$87.30 approthe sum of six hundred and eighty-seven dollars and thirty cents printed. (\$687.30) out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the Auditor of State is authorized to give him a warrant therefor.