

tees of said township, in pursuance of said election, and that that portion of German township formerly attached to Van Buren township for school purposes be, and the same is hereby restored to the township where it geographically belongs.

Publication. SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect immediately after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, and the Sigourney Review, published at Sigourney, Iowa, said publication to be without costs to the state.

Approved, March 12, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, March, 26, and in the Sigourney Review, April 3, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 33.

ESTATES OF DECEASED PATENTEES.

H. F. 160. AN ACT to Vest Title in the Heirs, Devisees or Assignees of deceased Patentees, Additional to Code, Title 16, "Of the Estates of Dece-
dents."

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

SECTION 1. That where patents have been, or may be issued in pursuance of any law of the State of Iowa, to a person who had died, or who hereafter dies before the date of such patent, the title to the land designated therein shall inure to, and become vested in the heirs, devisees or assignees of such deceased patentee, as if the patent had issued to the deceased person during life.

If patentee dies pending the issuance of patent to lands. Title shall vest in heirs, &c.

Approved, March 12, 1878.

CHAPTER 34.

TOWN OF EMMETSBURG.

H. F. 505. AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation of the Town of Emmetsburg in Palo Alto county, Iowa, the Election of its Officers and the Acts done and Ordinances passed by the Council of said Town.

Preamble. WHEREAS, The circuit court within and for Palo Alto county, Iowa, did at the August, 1877, term thereof, appoint commissioners to call an election of the legal voters of the town of Em-

metsburg in said county, to vote upon the question of the incorporation of said town; and,

WHEREAS, At said election the legal voters of said town by a large majority voted in favor of said incorporation, and all the requirements of the law with reference to said incorporation have been strictly complied with, except that the said commissioners failed to post the notices of said election as required by law; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of said incorporation, the election of its officers, the acts done and ordinances passed by the council of said town; therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of the town of Emmetsburg in Palo Alto county, Iowa, be and the same is hereby legalized, and the election of its officers and all the acts done and ordinances passed by the council of said town are hereby declared to be valid and binding and to have the same force and effect as though the law had in all respects been strictly complied with. Incorporation and acts of officers thereunder legalized

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force and take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, and in the Palo Alto Reporter, a newspaper published at Emmetsburg, Iowa, without expense to the state. Publication.

Approved, March 12, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Palo Alto Reporter*, March 23, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 35.

CHANGE OF VENUE.

AN ACT to Amend Section 4117, Title 25, Chapter 4 of the Code: "Of Security to Keep the Peace." H. F. 158.

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

SECTION 1. That section 4117 of the Code be and is hereby amended by inserting after the word "thereto," in section 4117, the following: "And a change of venue may be had as in preliminary examinations." Code, 4117 amended. Change of venue.

Approved, March 12, 1878.