

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

Name changed SECTION 1. That the name of the county seat of Boone County Iowa shall be known and designated as Boone Iowa instead of Boonsboro, Iowa.

Approved March 23, 1888.

CHAPTER 188.

RELIEF OF WILLIAM H. BIRKHEAD.

S. F. 12. AN ACT for the Relief of William H. Birkhead, of Des Moines County, Son of John S. Birkhead, Late Private in Co. H., 1st Iowa Cavalry.

reamble.

WHEREAS, Nancy J. Dolbee and Martha E. Dolbee, by their separate last wills and testaments, which were probated in Des Moines county in 1864 and 1865, devised to their nephew, William H. Birkhead and their niece Elizabeth P. Josephine Birkhead, minor children of John S. Birkhead, now deceased, late private in Co. H., 1st Iowa Cavalry, certain realty in Des Moines county, Iowa: the title thereof to vest in said legatees or to the survivor of them, provided that if said legatees die without issue the said realty shall be converted into money and the proceeds thereof be paid to the State Orphans' Asylum for the support and education of the orphans of soldiers of the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, The said Elizabeth P. Josephine Birkhead died unmarried and without issue: and

WHEREAS, That by a legal and proper interpretation of said wills it is doubtful whether the State could take anything under said wills upon the happening of said contingency; and,

WHEREAS, The said William H. Birkhead is the sole surviving legatee, and said possible contingent interest is a cloud upon his title; therefore

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

Title described
and relinquished.

SECTION 1. That the title of Nancy J. Dolbee and Martha E. Dolbee, had at the time of their death, so far as by their last wills and testaments the same is liable to any contingent interest to the State Orphans' Asylum for the support and education of orphans of soldiers of the State of Iowa, in and to the east half of the southeast quarter of section twenty three (23) and the southwest quarter of section twenty-four (24) all in township seventy two (72) north range two (2) west in Des Moines county, Iowa, be and the same is hereby relinquished to and vested in William H. Birkhead, son of John S. Birkhead de-

ceased, late a private in Co H 1st Regiment Iowa cavalry, in the war of 1861.

SEC. 2. That this act or the right herein vested, shall not affect or interfere with the rights of third persons, legal or equitable, which may have vested or arisen under the laws, judgments or contracts heretofore in force.

Approved April 13th, 1888.

CHAPTER 189.

AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF LAND AT HOSPITAL FOR INSANE, INDEPENDENCE.

AN ACT Authorizing the Trustees of the Iowa Hospital for the Insane at Independence to Purchase 180 Acres of Land Adjoining the Lands now owned by the State. H. F. 149.

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

SECTION 1. The trustees of the Iowa Hospital for the insane at Independence are hereby authorized to purchase one hundred and eighty (180) acres of land adjoining that now owned by the State at that place and known as the Smyser farm, for the use of said hospital. Purchase of 180 acres of land authorized.

SEC. 2. The trustees shall ascertain from the Department of the Interior at Washington if there is any claim of the United States to said land or if it has been regularly located and patented to some one, and shall cause an examination of the Records of Buchanan county to be made and see if the title from the person who located said land and to whom it was patented by the United States is complete to the person now holding the title. When said title is found to be complete and perfect the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall so certify and shall also certify the price to be paid for said land. Investigation as to title.

SEC. 3. There is hereby appropriated out of the money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand five hundred (\$6500) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay for said land. Appropriation of \$6,500.

SEC. 4. On presentation of the certificates of the president and secretary as provided in section two (2) hereof, and a good and sufficient warrant deed for said land to the Auditor of State, he shall draw his warrant on the treasurer for the amount certified, not to exceed the amount above appropriated, in payment for said land. Warrant drawn.

SEC. 5. This act, being deemed by the General Assembly to be of immediate importance shall take effect from and after its Publication.