

SEC. 2. **Time and place of meeting—oath—centre—recorded.** Said commissioners or a majority of them, shall meet at Wahtowah on the first Monday in May next, or six months thereafter, and after taking such oath as required by law, shall proceed to mark, designate, and name the county seats of said counties, at or as near the geographical centres of said counties as may be practicable, taking into consideration the present and future population of each of the said counties, as well as the necessary facilities for building a town. Said commissioners shall make a report of their selections, which shall be recorded in Polk county.

SEC. 3. **Take effect.** This act shall be in force from and after its passage.

Approved January 23, 1851.

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## CHAPTER 28.

### PENITENTIARY.

AN ACT authorizing the governor of the state of Iowa to procure a title to certain ground.

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

SECTION 1. **Governor to investigate title—perfect title.** That the governor of said state be, and he is hereby authorized to take the proper means to cause to be investigated, the title by which the state holds the ground upon which the penitentiary now stands; and in the event that the same [58] should be deemed imperfect, that he be further authorized to take the necessary measures to procure a perfect title thereto and have the same recorded in the office of the secretary of the state.

Approved January 24, 1851.

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## CHAPTER 29.

### METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

AN ACT legalizing the acts of the trustees of the "Methodist Episcopal Church" at Muscatine.

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

SECTION 1. **Sale legalized.** That the sale of lot six (6) in block thirty-four (34) in the town of Muscatine, by Thomas Morford, to the trustees of the "Methodist Episcopal Church" of said town; and the sale of said lot by said trustees, to Auley McAuley and J. A. Parvin, be and said sales are hereby legalized and made valid.

Approved January 24, 1851.