

rate of fifty cents per month for each prisoner, who shall under their authority be committed thereto, during the time such prisoner shall be therein confined; and also, to support such of said prisoners as shall be committed for offences;—Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. Duty of sheriff or jail-keeper—proviso. That the sheriff or keeper of every jail in any county of this state, shall be, and he is hereby authorized and required to receive all prisoners committed to his custody, by the authority of the United States, and to keep them safely until discharged by due course of the laws of the same; and if any jailor or sheriff shall neglect or refuse to perform the services and duties required of him by this act, or shall offend in the premises, he shall be liable to like penalties, forfeitures and actions, as if such prisoner had been committed under the authority of this state; provided, that every prisoner who shall be committed for any offence by the authority of the United States, shall be supported at the expense of the same, during his or her confinement in said jail.

SEC. 2. Sheriff's report—auditor's duty. That the sheriff or keeper of every jail shall, on the first Monday of January annually, make out under oath or affirmation, the name or names of all prisoners who, within the year then last past, shall have been committed to his custody under the authority of the United States, and the time that he, she or they, shall have been respectively confined, with an account of the expense thereof, at fifty cents per month, for the use and keeping of said jail, for every person so committed, together with an account of their subsistence, at the rate established by law for state prisoners, unless provided for by the United States, and transmit (34) the same to the auditor of this state, who is hereby authorized and required to draw on the treasury of this state, who shall pay the account [out] of any public money in his hands not otherwise appropriated; and the said auditor is hereby required to exhibit the several accounts by him received as aforesaid, against the United States, on or before the last day of March annually, for allowance.

Approved, January 24, 1848.

CHAPTER 34.

SAMUEL A. EVANS.

AN ACT to legalize the election of Samuel A. Evans as a justice of the peace of Richland township, in Keokuk county.

Preamble. Whereas, Samuel A. Evans was, at the August election, 1847, elected and duly qualified as a justice of the peace of the township of Richland, in the county of Keokuk, according to the requirements of the laws, except that he had not been a resident of said county six months preceding his election; and whereas, it is highly important that his acts since done and performed, as justice of the peace, should be rendered valid; therefore,

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

Acts legalized. That all and every, the official acts and doings of the said Samuel A. Evans, done and performed by him by virtue of said election to the office of justice of the peace, in and for said county of Keokuk, or here-

after done by virtue of the same, be and are hereby declared good and valid in law, to the same extent as if said justice had been a resident of said county for six months preceding his election.

Approved, January 24, 1848.

CHAPTER 35.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS.

AN ACT to amend an act entitled an act to divide the state into congressional districts.

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

SECTION 1. Powesheik to be in first district. That an act entitled "an act to divide the state into two congressional districts," approved, February 22, 1847, be, and the same is here-[35]by so amended, that the county of Powesheik shall be attached to, and made a part of the first congressional district, instead of the second, as provided for by said act.

SEC. 2. When to take effect. This act to take effect from and after its publication.

Approved, January 24, 1848.

CHAPTER 36.

STATE ROAD.

AN ACT to relocate a portion of a state road therein named.

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

SECTION 1. Commissioners—road from Fort Madison to Fairfield. That George W. Vardeman, of the county of Jefferson, Thomas Frazier, sen., of the county of Henry, and S. S. Ross, of the county of Jefferson, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to re-locate a portion of a territorial road located in accordance with the provisions of "an act entitled an act to locate and establish a territorial road from Fort Madison, in Lee county, to Fairfield, in Jefferson county," approved January 29th, 1840, as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the point where said road crosses Cedar creek in Henry county, and thence on the nearest and best route to Glasgow, in Jefferson county, and thence on the nearest and best route to Fairfield, in said county of Jefferson.

SEC. 2. Duty of commissioners. Said commissioners shall meet at such time and place as they, or a majority of them may agree upon, and take to their aid a surveyor and such other help as may be deemed necessary, and proceed to locate and mark said alteration or re-location, (doing as little damage to private property as possible,) commencing at the point where said road crosses Cedar creek on the route specified in the preceding section, agreeable to an act to provide for laying out and opening territorial roads, approved. February 29th, 1844.

Approved, January 24, 1848.