

SEC. 2. This act to take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa Standard, and Iowa Capital Reporter, published in Iowa City.

Approved, January 24, 1848.

Published in the Standard, February second, and in the Reporter, Feb. twenty-third, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

[46] CHAPTER 48.

JACKSON COUNTY SEAT.

AN ACT to provide for the re-location of the county seat in the county of Jackson.

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

SECTION 1. **Election for county seat.** That the legal voters of Jackson county shall vote at the April election of 1848, for such points in said county as they may deem proper, and if, upon canvassing the votes, it is ascertained that any one point has received a majority of votes over all others, then that point shall be and remain the permanent seat of justice of said Jackson county. But if no one point shall receive such majority, then the legal voters of said county shall vote at the next August election, for the two points which received the highest number of votes at the April election, and the point receiving the highest number of votes, shall be and remain the permanent seat of justice of said Jackson county.

SEC. 2. **Acts repealed.** All acts and parts of acts coming in conflict with this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. **When to take effect.** This act to take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter.

Approved, January 24, 1848.

Published in the Reporter February sixteenth eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

CHAPTER 49.

CLINTON COUNTY SEAT.

AN ACT to provide for the location of the county seat of the county of Clinton.

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

SECTION 1. **Vote for county seat.** That the legal voters of the county of Clinton, shall vote at the spring election of 1848, for such points in said county as they may deem proper, and if, upon canvassing the votes, it is ascertained that any one point has received a majority of votes over all others, then that point shall be and remain the permanent seat of justice of said county. But if no point shall receive a majority, then a special election shall be held on the first Monday of the next month, in the several townships in the county, and the legal voters shall then vote for the three points which received the highest number of votes at the last election, and if any [47] point receive a majority of votes over the other two points, it then shall be and remain the permanent seat of justice of said county; and if no point receives a majority of the votes over

the other two, then there shall be held another election as above, on the first Monday of the next month, and the vote shall be for the two points which received the highest number of votes at the last election, and the point receiving the highest number of votes, shall be and remain the permanent seat of justice of Clinton county. Such special elections to be conducted, and returns made as in regular elections.

SEC. 2. Court house and jail to be built. That if either Lyons or Camanche, in said county, be determined upon as the county seat, at any election as aforesaid, that the citizens of said place shall, at their own expense, erect and complete (free of charge to the county) a court house of the same dimensions, upon the same plan, and of similar materials as the court house of Scott county, in the town of Davenport; and also, a jail of the same dimensions, and upon the same plan, and constructed in the same manner as the jail of Scott county; which buildings, when completed, shall be the property of the county of Clinton.

SEC. 3. When county seat to be removed. Before the present county seat of said county shall be removed, or before any of the county business of said county shall be transacted at the place decided upon by the legal voters of said county, the provisions of the second section of this [act] shall be strictly complied with, and the board of county commissioners of said county shall, and it is hereby made their duty, to determine when such compliance has been made.

SEC. 4. Acts repealed. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. When to take effect. This act to take effect by publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa City Standard.

Approved, January 24, 1848.

Published in the Standard, February ninth, and the Reporter, March fifteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

[48] CHAPTER 50.

DAVIS COUNTY SEAT.

AN ACT to provide for the relocation of the seat of justice of Davis county.

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

SECTION 1. Vote on county seat. That the legal voters of the county of Davis shall, at the annual township election in April next, vote for or against the removal of the seat of justice of said county; said election to be conducted, in all respects, as general elections.

SEC. 2. Commissioners to locate. If a majority of the votes cast be for a removal, then William G. Coop, of the county of Jefferson, William S. Whitaker, of the county of Van Buren, and George Wilson, of the county of Wapello, be and are hereby appointed commissioners to select a new seat of justice for said county of Davis, as near the geographical center of said county as a suitable site may be obtained, having due regard to donations of land which may be made by the owners thereof, for the use of the county; to the obtaining of good water; its contiguity to building materials, stone coal and public roads.

SEC. 3. Time and place of meeting—oath. Said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall meet at the town of Bloomfield, in said county, on the first Monday in May next, or within ten days thereafter, and shall, before entering upon their duties, take an oath, before the clerk of the board of commissioners of said