

CHAPTER 97.

APPROPRIATION FOR INSTITUTION FOR THE INSANE AT INDEPENDENCE.

AN ACT to Permanently Locate, and to Provide for the Erection of an Additional Institution for the Insane. APRIL 6.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That there shall be and is hereby permanently established at Independence, Buchanan county, Iowa, an Additional Institution for the Support and Care of the Insane. Addl. Institution for Insane.

SEC. 2. That E. T. Morgan, of Webster county, Maturin L. Fisher, of Clayton county, and Albert Clarke, of Buchanan county, are hereby appointed a Board of Commissioners to select a location and to superintend the erection of suitable buildings for the use of said institution, and in case of vacancy in said commission by death or otherwise, the same shall be filled by appointment by the Governor. Commissioners. To locate and superintend buildings. Vacancy.

SEC. 3. That said board shall select the most eligible and desirable location of not less than three hundred and twenty acres, and it must not, in any event, be more than two miles distant from said city of Independence; which said lands shall be obtained free of charge to the State, and said board shall take a deed of conveyance of the same in fee-simple to the State of Iowa, and cause the same to be properly recorded in the office of recorder of deeds of the county of Buchanan. 320 acres to be given to State.

SEC. 4. Said board shall also, at the earliest day practicable, procure plans, drawings, and specifications for the buildings necessary and proper for said Institution, the exterior of which building shall be of stone, the stone to be procured within the State, but the plan determined on by the board shall be such as will admit of future enlargement, so as to preserve the symmetry, and be, when ultimately completed, of capacity equal to the present building at Mt. Pleasant: *Provided,* That the erection only of such portion of such building shall be undertaken by the said board, under the provisions of this act, as may be completed and made ready for occupancy by the appropriation herein made. Plans, &c., for buildings. Stone to be obtained in State. Enlargem't. Proviso.

SEC. 5. So soon as said board shall have obtained an approved plan of building, they shall advertise for four weeks in one paper in each of the following places, viz.: Independence, Dubuque, Davenport, and Des Moines, for sealed proposals for contracts to erect the buildings hereby authorized, according to the plan Advertisem't for proposals to erect buildings.

and specifications determined on, and are hereby empowered to contract with the lowest responsible bidder, who will build and complete the same by the 1st day of December, 1870, and who shall give adequate security for the performance of his contract. No contract shall be entered into by said board, which shall, in any event, involve greater expenditure than the sum appropriated by this act.

Finished by
Dec. 1, 1870.

Expenditure
limited.

Commissioners to give
bond.

Sec. 6. Before entering upon his duties, each commissioner shall make and sign an oath and execute a bond in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars for the use of the State of Iowa, to be approved by the Census Board and filed in the office of the Secretary of State, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties and the honest and faithful disbursement of and accounting for all moneys which may come into his hands under the provisions of this act.

Superintendent.

Sec. 7. Said board shall have full power to appoint, and discharge at their discretion, a superintendent, whose duty it shall be to superintend the work on said building, which said superintendent shall receive, as his only compensation, such sum as said board may fix.

\$125,000 ap-
propriated.

Sec. 8. There is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purposes contemplated in this act.

Accounts how
adjusted.

Sec. 9. The accounts of expenditures relating to the construction of said buildings shall be approved by the board of commissioners, and certified to by the Superintendent, and then paid by Auditor's warrants in the usual manner, drawn in favor of the party to whom the payment is due, and the commissioners are authorized to advance and pay on contracts, before the same are completely performed, not exceeding seventy-five per cent. on estimates of material delivered, or labor performed.

Advance pay
on contracts.

Not over \$25,-
000 drawn in
1868.

Sec. 10. Of the sum hereby appropriated, not more than the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars shall be drawn from the treasury in the year 1868.

Pay of com-
missioners.

Sec. 11. The members of the board shall each receive five dollars per day while actually employed in the discharge of their duties, and their actual traveling expenses.

Taking effect.

Sec. 12. This act, being deemed of immediate importance by the General Assembly, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the

Daily State Register and Iowa Evening Statesman, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 6, 1868.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Daily State Register* April 16, 1868, and in *The Iowa Evening Statesman* April 20, 1868.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 98.

IN RELATION TO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL-DISTRICTS, AND SCHOOL ORDERS.

AN ACT to Authorize Independent School-Districts to borrow Money and issue Bonds therefor, for the Purpose of erecting and completing School-Houses, Legalizing Bonds heretofore issued, and Making School Orders draw Six per cent. Interest in certain Cases. APRIL 6.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That independent school-districts shall have the power and authority to borrow money for the purpose of erecting and completing school-houses, by issuing negotiable bonds of the independent district, to run any period not exceeding ten years, drawing a rate of interest not to exceed ten per centum per annum, which interest may be paid semi-annually, which said indebtedness shall be binding and obligatory on the independent district for the use of which said loan shall have been made: *Provided,* No district shall permit a greater outstanding indebtedness than an amount equal to five per centum of the last assessed value of the property of the district. Independent school-districts may issue bonds for school-buildings. Maximum, 10 yrs. time and 10 per ct. int. Debt limited.

SEC. 2. When any independent district has procured the site for and is ready to erect, or has erected and is desirous of completing, its school-house, it shall be lawful for the school board of such district to submit to the voters of their district, at the annual or a special meeting, the question of issuing bonds as contemplated by this act, giving the same notice of such meeting as is now required by law to be given for the election of officers of such districts, and the amount proposed to be raised by the sale of such bonds, which question shall be voted upon by the electors; and if a majority of all the votes cast on that question be in favor of such loan, then said school board shall issue bonds to the amount voted, in denominations of not less than twenty-five dollars, nor exceeding one thousand dollars, due Question submitted to voters of dist. Notice of election. Denominations of bonds \$25-\$1,000.