

by, said Charles Hall as such justice of the peace, are hereby legalized and made valid and binding, and shall have the same force and effect that they would have had, had said Hall resided in said Webster county.

Acts of Chas. Hall, of Hamilton co., as J. P. in Webster co., legalized.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force from and after its publication in The Iowa Homestead and Daily State Register, without expense to the State.

Taking effect. No expense to State.

Approved April 7, 1868.

[For certificate of publication, see "Addenda."]

CHAPTER 158.

LEGALIZING ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF DEEDS.

AN ACT Relating to the Acknowledgment and Recording of Deeds in certain Cases, and rendering Valid the Acknowledgment of Deeds and Instruments in Writing. APRIL 7.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That all deeds and conveyances of lands, tenements, and hereditaments, lying and being within this State, heretofore executed, and which said deeds and conveyances have been acknowledged, or proved, according to and in compliance with the laws and usages of the State, territory, or country in which such deeds and conveyances were acknowledged and proved, or in which they shall be acknowledged or proven, are hereby declared effectual and valid in law, to all intents and purposes as though the same acknowledgments had been taken or proof of execution made within this State, and in pursuance to the acts and laws thereof, and such deeds, so acknowledged or proved as aforesaid, may be admitted to be recorded in the respective counties in which such lands, tenements, or hereditaments do or may be, anything in the acts and laws of this State to the contrary thereof notwithstanding: *Provided*, That all deeds and conveyances of lands, tenements, and hereditaments situated within this State, which have been acknowledged or proved in any other State, territory, or country, according to and in compliance with the laws and usages of such State, territory, or country, and which deeds or conveyances have been recorded within this State, be and the same

Conveyances of property in Iowa made in other States, &c. according to their laws made valid.

Admitted to record.

Proviso: record confirmed.

are hereby confirmed and declared effectual and valid in law, to all intents and purposes, as though the said deeds or conveyances so acknowledged or proved and recorded, had, prior to being recorded, been acknowledged or proved within this State.

Acknowledgments of all deeds, mortgages, &c., now recorded, legalized.

Sec. 2. That the acknowledgments of all deeds, mortgages, and other instruments in writing, taken and certified previous to the passage of this act, and which have been duly recorded in the proper counties of this State, be and the same are hereby declared to be legal and valid in all courts of law or equity in this State or elsewhere, anything in the several different acts or laws of the territory or State of Iowa in regard to acknowledgments to the contrary notwithstanding.

Acknowledgment without seal valid.

Sec. 3. That all deeds, mortgages, or other instruments in writing, for the conveyance of lands, which have heretofore been made and executed, and the officer taking the acknowledgment has not affixed his seal to the acknowledgment, such acknowledgment shall nevertheless be good and valid in law and equity, anything in law heretofore passed to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved April 7, 1868.

CHAPTER 159.

GENERAL APPROPRIATION LAW.

APRIL 7. AN ACT Making Appropriations for the Payment of the Salaries of the State and Judicial Officers, Interest on the State Bonds, and for other Purposes therein designated.

Appropriation for 24 years

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That for the payment of the salaries of the several officers hereinafter designated for the term of two years and three months, commencing on the first day of January, A. D. 1868, and ending on the 31st day of March, A. D. 1870, the following sums of money be and the same are hereby appropriated.

Governor's salary, \$5,625.
Contingent, \$2,000.

Sec. 2. For the payment of the salary of the Governor the sum of five thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars, and for contingent expenses of the Executive office, the sum of two thousand dollars.

Private Sec., \$2,250.

Sec. 3. For the payment of the salary of the Governor's Private Secretary the sum of two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.