

CHAPTER 120.

THE HOSPITAL BUILDING AT INDEPENDENCE.

AN ACT to Provide for the Completion of the North Wing, Rear Center Building, Engine-House, Chimney, and Ducts, and the Improvement of the Grounds and Farm of the Iowa Hospital for the Insane at Independence. APRIL 18.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the additional institution for the insane now in process of building, by the provisions of chapter 97, laws of the 12th General Assembly, shall be known as the "Iowa Hospital for the Insane at Independence." Name of institution.
1863 : ch. 97.

SEC. 2. That the present Commissioners, viz., E. G. Morgan, M. L. Fisher, and G. W. Bemis, together with the Governor of this State, who shall be *ex-officio* a member of said commission, shall, with the least possible delay cause to be erected and completed, the remainder of the north wing, the rear center building, the engine-house, chimney, and ducts of said building, in accordance with the plans and specifications selected in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 97, laws of the 12th General Assembly, or upon such modifications thereof as shall manifestly be for the best interests of the State. Commissioners continued, and Governor added;
to proceed with building, etc.

SEC. 3. Said Board are authorized to employ laborers by the day or month upon said building, and to purchase all materials necessary to be used in the construction of the same, or to let by contract such portion or portions of the materials to be furnished or labor to be performed as shall seem to them for the best interests of the State and for the early completion of said buildings, subject always to the following restrictions, viz.: No contract shall be made which will bind the State for a greater sum than is at the time appropriated by law, nor shall any contract for more than one thousand dollars be made without advertising for four consecutive weeks in two newspapers published in this State, stating when bids will be received and opened, and the kind and amount of labor or material wanted, and all such contracts shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, provided he offers satisfactory bond for the performance of the contract, but the Board may reserve the right to reject all bids offered. All contracts, for whatever sum, shall be in writing, signed by the contractor and by the president of the Board, and shall be kept on file by the commissioners. Day's work or contract, as B'd shall decide.
Contract to be limited by amt appropriated, and if for over \$1,000, to be advertised, and let to lowest bidder, provided, etc.
Bids may be rejected.
Contracts to be in writing.

SEC. 4. In case any contractor shall fail, through inability or negligence, to perform his part of any contract made or to be made, relative to said building, whereby the progress of the work thereon is likely to be seriously retarded, said Board shall have authority to cancel such contract and settle with such contractor: *Provided*, such settlement can be made without loss to the State.

SEC. 5. That, in addition to the sum appropriated by the Twelfth General Assembly, there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the completion and furnishing of said portions of said asylum, and for the improvement of the grounds and farm. The money hereby appropriated, and the unexpended portions of the appropriation heretofore made, shall be expended under the direction of the Board of Commissioners, and shall be drawn from the State treasury, from time to time, on the requisition of the Commissioners, upon the Auditor of State, in sums not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, and such amount so drawn shall be expended and duplicate vouchers taken therefor, one of which shall be deposited with the Auditor of State before any additional sum shall be drawn.

SEC. 6. That each member of said Board of Commissioners, except the Governor, be required to give additional bonds in the sum of twenty thousand dollars, to be filed as provided in chapter 97, laws of the Twelfth General Assembly, which additional bonds shall be filed before any money shall be drawn by said Board, under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 7. All parts of chapter 97, of the laws of the Twelfth General Assembly, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 8. This act, being deemed of immediate importance by this General Assembly, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Iowa Statesman, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved, April 13, 1870.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in *The Des Moines Daily Statesman*, April 19th, and in the *Daily Iowa State Register*, April 24, 1870.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

Authority of Board in case of failure of contractor.

\$165,000 appropriated.

Manner of expenditure, and of drawing money.

Not more than \$15,000 to be drawn at one time.

Commissioners to give bond in \$20,000, each.

Repealing clause.

Taking effect.