

WHEREAS, William T. Dawson is now in actual possession of said lot by reason of a deed regularly made by said Israel Targer; and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the fact of the said Roderick McCulloch being now alive, and of the fact of the said Roderick McCulloch having been a citizen of the United States at the time of his acquiring title to the said lot, or at the time of his death, if he be dead; therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That the State of Iowa hereby relinquishes all claim in and to the said east one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of lot five (5), block three (3), in Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa, as an escheat, and that the title to the same by the said William T. Dawson be held to be as perfect as against every claim of the State of Iowa as if the said Roderick McCulloch had been at the time of his death, if he be dead, a citizen of the United States.

Claim to property in Knoxville relinquished to holder of tax title.

Approved February 24th, 1874.

CHAPTER XII.

RELIEF OF SUFFERERS IN THE NORTHWEST.

AN ACT Making an Appropriation for the Relief of the Destitute of S. F. 214. Northwestern Iowa.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of furnishing the destitute in northwestern Iowa, suffering in consequence of the grasshopper raid of the summer of 1873, with such seed, grain, and vegetables as may be deemed necessary, to the extent such appropriation may permit.

\$50,000 appropriated to furnish seed, grain, etc.

SEC. 2. The governor shall, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appoint three commissioners, who shall purchase and distribute the articles of relief, disburse the money hereby appropriated, and impartially perform all the duties prescribed by this act.

Commissioners to be appointed.

SEC. 3. Such commissioners, before entering upon the discharge of their duties, shall each file with the auditor of state an affidavit to faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his office, and a bond in good and sufficient sureties to be approved by the clerk of the district court of the county where such sureties reside, in the penal sum of \$40,000, conditioned for the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of his office.

Oath and bond.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of said commissioners to make such distribution of said articles of relief as shall be just and equitable, and they shall have power to make such rules and regulations to aid them in the discharge of the trust by this act conferred, and to appoint such assistants, as they deem necessary,

Duty. Powers.

May administer oaths, when.	and also shall have power to administer oaths to and examine any person as to any fact which they deem necessary to ascertain, in the discharge of their duties.
Issuance of warrants.	SEC. 5. The auditor of state shall, from time to time, issue to said commissioners, on their written order therefor, warrants for such sums of money as they deem necessary to make the purchases of said articles of relief, and to pay the expenses connected with the distribution of the same: <i>Provided</i> , The amount of such warrants shall not exceed the amount herein appropriated.
Commissioners to take triplicate bills and receipts.	SEC. 6. The commissioners shall take triplicate bills, duly receipted, of all articles of relief purchased, showing the price per bushel paid, the nature and amount of the articles, and of whom purchased; they shall also require triplicate receipted bills of all articles of relief furnished, which bills shall show in detail the value of the articles furnished, and to whom and in what amounts distributed; and they shall file one copy of each and every such bill with the auditor of state, and one copy with the auditor of the county in which said distribution is made.
When filed.	SEC. 7. The commissioners shall each receive, as full compensation for his services, the sum of three dollars (\$3.00) per day for each and every day employed in the discharge of his duties, and in addition thereto money actually paid out by him as expenses while engaged in the discharge of his duties under the provisions of this act. Each shall file a statement under oath of the number of days actually employed, and an itemized account of the moneys paid out as expenses, with the auditor of state, who shall, from time to time, draw warrants on the treasurer of state for the amounts so shown to be due.
Compensation.	SEC. 8. The commissioners shall, on or before the first day of June, 1874, make to the governor a full report of their action, rendering therewith an itemized account showing the manner and for what all moneys were expended.
Statement of time and expenses.	SEC. 9. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force immediately from and after its publication in The Iowa State Register, a newspaper published in Des Moines, Iowa, and in The Sioux City Journal, a newspaper published in Sioux City, Iowa, anything in the code to the contrary notwithstanding.
Expenses.	
Report.	
Publication clause.	

Approved February 26th, 1874.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in *The Iowa Daily State Register*, in Des Moines, February 28, and in *The Sioux City Daily Journal*, in Sioux City, March 3, 1874.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, Secretary of State.