

conviction, and both the fee of such attorney and the informant shall be taxed as costs in the case against the person convicted. Fee to informant.

*Provided,* That the county shall in no case be held liable for said attorney's fee or penalty.

SEC. 12. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed. Repealing clause.

SEC. 13. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Daily State Register, and Daily State Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa. Publication.

Approved, March, 25, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register*, and *Iowa State Leader*, March 28, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 157.

### VOTING AID IN CONSTRUCTION OF RAILROADS.

AN ACT Am: ndatory to Section 2, Chapter 123, of the Acts of the Sixteenth General Assembly, relating to Townships and Incorporated Towns and Cities, to aid in the construction of Railroads. H. F. 286.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa :*

SECTION 1. That section 2, chapter 123, of the acts of the sixteenth general assembly, be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "two-thirds" in the twenty-fifth line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof "a majority." § 2, chapter 123, 16th G. A. amended. A majority may vote aid.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force after its publication in the Council Bluffs Daily Nonpareil, and the Daily State Register, newspapers published in the state of Iowa. Publication.

Approved, March 25, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register*, March 27, and in the *Council Bluffs Daily Nonpareil*, March 28, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 158.

JAMES D. CARSON, J. P.

AN ACT to legalize the Official Acts of James D. Carson, as Justice of the Peace. H. F. 576.

WHEREAS, James D. Carson was duly qualified as a justice of Preamble.

the peace within and for Keg Creek township, Pottawattamie county, Iowa, on the 14th day of April, 1877; and,

WHEREAS, Doubt has been expressed as to the legality of the acts of said justice, on account of his appointment by the trustees of said township, and qualification before his residence in the county and state entitled him to exercise the rights of an elector; therefore,

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Official acts  
legalized.

SECTION 1. That all official acts of James D. Carson as justice of the peace within and for Keg Creek township, Pottawattamie county, Iowa, be and the same are hereby legalized and confirmed, and shall have the same force and effect as provided by law for the government and limitation of the official acts of justice of the peace.

Publication.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved, March 25, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register*, March 27, and in the *Iowa State Leader*, April 5, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 159.

### RELIEF OF JAMES AND O. P. WICKHAM.

S. F. 240.

AN ACT for the Relief of James and O. P. Wickham, Contractors for the Erection of the West Lateral Wing of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Council Bluffs, and Making Appropriation Therefor.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, On the ——— day of ———, 1876, the contract to erect the west lateral wing of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Council Bluffs, was let to James & O. P. Wickham, contractors, and the work thereon commenced and progressed during that year to the completion of the foundation and basement story thereof, ready for the brick work thereon; and,

WHEREAS, At an early day in the spring of 1877, the work of putting up the brick superstructure of said wing was commenced by said contractors, and after two days progress thereon the same was suspended by order of the board of trustees for the term of four weeks; and,

WHEREAS, On the 6th day of August, 1877, and at a time when said building was nearly completed and ready for delivery to the state, it was struck by a violent tornado which destroyed the roof and a large portion of the walls and completed parts of said building, all without the fault or neglect of said contractors; and,

WHEREAS, By reason of such unforeseen accident said contract-