

ording to the present law, regulating such elections; and that the justices of the peace and other officers elected on the first Monday of April, shall hold their offices until the first Monday of May, or until precinct officers shall be duly elected and qualified.

SEC. 3. **In force from passage.** This act to take effect, and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, January 16th, 1846.

[78] CHAPTER 85.

ROAD IN MUSCATINE.

AN ACT to establish a territorial road therein named.

*Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa.*

SECTION 1. **Road from bridge at the mouth of Pine river, to Overman's ferry, on Cedar.** That Benjamin Nye, William Chambers, sr., and Elias Overman, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to lay out and establish a territorial road, as follows: beginning at the bridge at the mouth of Pine river, in Muscatine county; thence running in a north-west direction, on the nearest and best ground, to or near the house of William Chambers, sr.; thence on the nearest and best ground to the south-east corner of the north-west quarter of section eleven; thence west, on said line to the south-west corner of the north-east quarter of section ten, township seventy-seven, north, of range one west; thence on the nearest and best ground, to the south line of section number four, to a suitable point; thence west, on said line, to the south-west corner of said section; thence on the nearest and best ground so as to intersect the Iowa City road, at Overman's ferry on Cedar river.

SEC. 2. **Commissioners to meet at Nye's first Monday in March.** That said commissioners, or a majority of them shall meet at the house of Benjamin Nye, on the first Monday of March next, or at such other time and place as they may agree, and after being qualified, shall proceed to the performance of the duty assigned them, as now provided for by law.

SEC. 3. **In force from passage.** This act to take effect, and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, January 16th, 1846.

[79] CHAPTER 86.

LEWIS BIDMAN AND WIFE.

AN ACT to divorce Mary Ann P. Bidman from her husband Lewis Bidman.

*Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa.*

SECTION 1. **Bidman and wife divorced.** That the bonds of matrimony, heretofore existing between Mary Ann P. Bidman and Lewis Bidman, be and the same are hereby dissolved.

SEC. 2. **Mrs. Bidman's name changed to Douglass.** That the name of the said Mary Ann P. Bidman, be changed to her former name of Mary Ann P. Douglass.

**SEC. 3. Mr. Bidman to exercise no control over property of wife.** That the said Lewis Bidman shall have or exercise no interest in, or control over the property, real or personal, which the said Mary Ann P. Bidman had or possessed at the time of their marriage, or acquired since that time.

**SEC. 4. In force from passage.** This act to take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, January 17th, 1846.

## CHAPTER 87.

### ROAD FROM WAPELLO.

AN ACT to locate a territorial road from Wapello, in Louisa county, to Augusta, in Desmoines county.

*Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa.*

**SECTION 1. Road from Wapello to Augusta.** That Joshua Marshal, of the county of Louisa, and Samuel C. Jackson and John D. Camron, of Desmoines county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to locate a territorial road from Wapello, in Louisa county, to Augusta, in Desmoines county.

**SEC. 2. Commissioners to meet 1st Monday in September.** Said commissioners shall meet at Wapello, in Louisa coun- [80] ty, on the first Monday in September next, or within sixty days thereafter, and proceed to locate said road according to law: beginning at Wapello, in Louisa county; thence on the nearest and best route, to the north-east corner of the north-west quarter of section number 33, of township number 73, north of range 3 west; thence south one mile; thence on the nearest and best route, to the centre of section number 20, of township number 72, north of range number 3 west; thence south, with the west line of Brown and Bridge's land to the creek, in Linn grove; thence on the nearest and best route, to or near the dwelling house of John Henderson; thence on the nearest and best route, to Thomas Brown's ford, on Flint creek; thence on the nearest and best route, to intersect the county road, at John Manes'; thence on or near the county road to Augusta, on Skunk river.

**SEC. 3. In force from passage.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, January 17th, 1846.

## CHAPTER 88.

### IOWA CITY UNIVERSITY.

AN ACT amendatory of an act entitled "An act to incorporate Iowa City University," approved, 2d June, 1845.

*Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa.*

**SECTION 1. Nine regents may constitute a board.** That the sixth section of the act to which this is amendatory, be and the same is hereby amended, so that nine regents of the university shall hereafter be a sufficient number