

CHAPTER 64.

HISTORICAL RECORDS.

AN ACT providing for the collection and preservation of historic records and other valuable material pertaining to the history of Iowa and making an appropriation therefor. S. F. 303.

Whereas, The Aldrich Collection of autograph letters, manuscripts and portraits, now in the State Library, is of great value to the State, and it is important that it shall be increased— Aldrich collection increased.

And Whereas, The time, labor and money, necessary to this work are more than any individual can afford to give without compensation—

And Whereas, Also, it is believed that many valuable documents, relating to the earlier days of our territory and state have been destroyed, mislaid or misplaced, or are in danger of destruction or loss—Now therefor— Early records.

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

SECTION 1. That there be and is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of three thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the trustees of the state library, for the accomplishment of the work of adding to said Aldrich Collection, and that of searching for, restoring and safely preserving the papers and documents aforesaid. Said trustees of the Iowa state library shall solicit contributions to said collection, receive and properly acknowledge the receipt of the same and they shall have the power to appoint and employ all persons necessary for the work aforesaid, to fix their compensation, and do all other things necessary to the accomplishment of the purposes of this act. All accounts and expenditures under this act shall be audited by the executive council and warrants therefor drawn by the Auditor of State: Provided, that not to exceed one half the sum hereby appropriated shall be drawn during the year 1890; and that in no event shall there be more expended under this act, for the year 1890 and 1891 than the said sum of three thousand dollars. \$3,000 appropriated. Contributions solicited. One-half drawn in 1890.

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 the Des Moines Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines Iowa. Publication.

Approved April 10, 1890.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register April 16 and the Des Moines Leader April 17 1890.

FRANK D. JACKSON, *Secretary of State.*