State of Iowa, That five thousand copies of the laws, resolutions and memorials, passed at the present session of the General Assembly, be published under the superintendance of the Secretary of State, who is hereby directed to distri-Distribution. bute the same among the organized counties of the State, and the same persons and officers, and in the same proportion designated by chapter 82, of the laws of the last regular session of the General Assembly.

SEC. 2. That said laws shall be published and distribu-Time. ted by the first day of October, A. D., 1856, and shall take Take effect. effect from and after their publication and distribution: Publication in *Provided*, That all laws directed to be published in newspapers of this State, shall take effect from and after the publication as directed and povided for in said laws respectively.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its pub-Take effect. lication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa City Republican.

I certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa Capital Reporter, July 23rd, and Iowa City Republican, July 26th, 1856. GEO. W. McCLEARY,

Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 33.

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TAX-MUSCATINE ISLAND.

AN ACT authorizing the levy of a tax upon the land upon Muscatine Island; and upon adjoining lands, to construct Levees to preserve said lands from overflow.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Survey of State of Iowa, That the County Surveyor of Muscatine county, and the County Surveyor of Louisa county, be authorized and required jointly to make a survey and plat of the lands in said Muscatine and Louisa counties, which are subject to overflow by high water in the Mississippi river, and which would be benefitted by the construction of a levee or levies on Muscatine Island, and file one copy thereof in the File copy. office of the county judge of Louisa county, and one copy thereof in the office of the county judge of Muscatine county.

Tax.

Per cent.

Collection.

Levees.

SEC. 2. That when the annual county tax is levied for the year 1856, or if said survey and plats are not completed by that time, then and as soon thereafter as the same shall have been completed, and copies thereof filed as aforesaid, the said county judge of Muscatine county, shall levy a tax on the lands specified in said survey and plat in his county; in addition to the ordinary tax, of not exceeding one per cent on the assessed value thereof as assessed by the township assessors for the year 1856, to be collected by the treasurer in the same manner that other taxes are collected, and to be applied exclusively towards the construction of such levee or levees on Muscatine Island, as may be necessary to protect the same from overflow by high water in the Mississippi.

Louisa county SEC. 3. That the county judge of Louisa county may at Tax. his option in like manner levy a like tax upon the lands in his county, specified in said survey and plat, to be collected and applied as directed in the preceding section: *Provid*-Rate. *ed*, That the rate per cent of said tax shall be the same in each county, if both counties shall levy said tax.

> SEC. 4. That said tax shall be levied annually in such manner hereinafter described upon the assessed value of said lands in each year, unless said levee or levees are completed, and when completed the same shall be kept in repair by the levy of such taxes, on said lands annually, or as often as may be deemed necessary by the county Judge of either of said counties.

Plans & proposals for levee.

Annual tax.

Contractors.

SEC. 5. That said county Judges of said counties are hereby authorized to adopt a plan, and to receive proposals for constructing said levee or levees, and may let the contract or contracts thereof, to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders, agreeing to pay the contractor or contractors for the construction of said levee or levees, from taxes to be collected under the provisons of this act, each county to pay from taxes collected as aforesaid, for so much of said levee or levees, as may be constructed within its limits;

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and if the county Judge of Louisa county shall not levy a tax for the year 1856, the county Judge of Muscatine county may adopt a plan, and let contracts as above provided for such portion of said levee or levees as it may be thought necessary to construct in Muscatine county.

SEC. 6. This act to take effect from and after its publi- Take effect. cation in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa City Republican.

APPROVED July 15, 1856.

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I certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa Capital Report or July 30th and in the Iowa City Republican August 1st, 1856.

> G. W. McCLEARY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 34.

HOGS.

AN ACT to restrain swine from running at large in Jackson County.

SECTION. 1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Swine restate of Iowa, That every owner of swine in the County of Jackson shall retain their swine from running at large in said county; and in the event of a failure so to do, shall be liable to any damages done by said swine, to be recovered by an action of trespass by the party injured.

SEC. 2. That any person may take possession of any swine Take up. found running at large in said county, and give notice thereof to any Constable in said county, who shall have power, and it is hereby made his duty, to sell such swine at public Sale. outcry to the highest bidder for eash, upon giving ten days notice of the time and place of sale, by posting the same in Time & place. writing in three public places in the township where such swine were found at large, the proceeds of which sale after Proceeds. payment of costs and charges of keeping shall be paid into the county treasury, to be applied to the use of the county Claimant. until legal proof be made to the County Judge of said county, by the person or persons claiming such property to be 13