

from time to time deem of value and interest, to aid in binding its books, pamphlets, manuscripts and papers, and in paying other necessary incidental expenses of the society, but no part of such annual appropriation shall ever be paid for services rendered by the officers to the society.

Keep acc't and present to the Governor.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the executive committee of the said State Historical Society of Iowa to keep an accurate account of the manner of expenditure of the said sum of money hereby appropriated, and furnish the same, together with the vouchers thereof, to the Governor of this State, in the month of December of the year the Legislature shall meet, to be by him laid before the Legislature.

Books and documents.

SEC. 3. There shall be delivered to said society thirty bound copies of all documents published by order of the State, for the purpose of effecting exchanges with similar societies in other States, and also fifty bound copies of all such documents, to be transmitted through the medium of the secretary of said society, to M. Vattemere, at Paris, in furtherance of his system of international literary exchange.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication according to law.

Approved January 28, 1857.

CHAPTER 204.

OTIS A. HOLMES.

AN ACT to authorize Otis A. Holmes to sell certain lands.

May sell land.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That Otis A. Holmes be, and hereby is, authorized to sell such lands as were conveyed to him by Richard Ash in trust for the heirs of said Ash.

Bond.

SEC. 2. That said Holmes, before selling said lands, execute a bond to the said heirs by name, in the penal sum of \$2,000 conditioned for the faithful sale of said lands and prompt payment of the respective portions of the proceeds of such sale to the said heirs, as they shall severally direct,

and shall deposit said bond with the county judge of Jackson county.

SEC. 3. That said Holmes shall give four weeks' notice Notice of sale. of the time and place of said sale, by posting written notices thereof, in three public places, in Jackson county, Iowa; and shall sell such lands at private sale or public auction, and in such parcels at such time and place, and shall be deemed most advantageous to the interest of said heirs, and shall execute deeds to the purchasers thereof, which deeds shall possess all the legal and equitable title in and to said land of said Holmes and said heirs to the said purchasers.

SEC. 4. The said Holmes shall, after having deducted Deduction. the necessary charges for said sale, dispose of the several shares of the proceeds thereof, in accordance with the directions of the several heirs of the said Richard Ash, and should no such directions be given by any of the said heirs, within a reasonable time after said sale, the said Holmes shall loan to the best advantage the share or shares to which any heir not thus giving notice may be entitled; such loan being subject to call at any time, shall recall and pay over such loans and interest upon proper demand by the party entitled thereto.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication according to law.

Approved Jan. 28, 1857.

CHAPTER 205.

RAILROAD BONDS.

AN ACT to authorize city of Dubuque to issue bonds to aid in the construction of certain railroads therein named.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the* Bonds. *State of Iowa,* That the city of Dubuque is hereby authorized and empowered to aid in the construction of the Dubuque Western and Dubuque, St. Peters and St. Paul railroad companies, by issuing \$250,000 of city bonds to each, in pursuance of a vote of the citizens of said city, taken in the month of December, A. D. 1856. Said bonds shall be