

to acquire or control, by purchase or otherwise, any parallel or competing line of railroad within the State; and *provided*, further, that said company shall, in exercising the power of eminent domain by this act conferred, and in all proceedings relating thereto, and in all suits and proceedings upon causes of action arising in this State in which it is a party, be held and deemed to be a domestic corporation, and not otherwise. *Provided*, that nothing in this act shall apply in any manner to the Plainview Railroad company.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 7, 1881.

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#### CHAPTER 206.

AN ACT to authorize the town of Taylors Falls, county of Chisago, to construct and maintain a bridge across the St. Croix River.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:*

SECTION 1. The town of Taylors Falls, county of Chisago and State of Minnesota, and its successors and assigns forever, are hereby authorized to construct and maintain a free wagon bridge across the St. Croix river at such point upon said river, above the navigable waters thereof, as may be designated by the town council of said town of Taylors Falls, and within the corporate limits thereof.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force on and after its passage.

Approved February 21, 1881.

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#### CHAPTER 207.

AN ACT to authorize the Commissioners of the county of Swift to levy a special tax for road and bridge purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:*

SECTION. 1. The board of commissioners of the county of Swift is hereby authorized to levy a special tax, to be by such

board of commissioners expended in constructing, repairing and maintaining roads and bridges in said county.

Such tax shall not exceed one (1) mill of the assessible property of said county, and said tax shall be levied and collected at the same time and in the same manner as other county taxes are levied and collected.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 18, 1881.

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## CHAPTER 208.

AN ACT authorizing the adoption of the infant herein named.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:*

SECTION 1. That the male infant to be hereafter known as Winston T. Tompkins, about nine months old, son of Charles Tompkins, widower, of Houston county, be and he is hereby constituted and declared the legally adopted son of Winston Taylor and wife, of the town of Mayville, in said county, and he shall enjoy all the rights and privileges (except those of heirship) and be subject to the same care, custody and control as if he had been the child by birth of said Winsted Taylor and wife, until said infant shall have arrived at full age.

SEC. 2. This act shall not divest the father of said infant of any of his paternal rights until such father shall have duly made and acknowledged a certificate of acceptance thereof, and the same shall be filed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of said county, and such record shall in all places be receivable as complete evidence of the statements therein made.

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

Approved February 18, 1881.