

SEC. 3. Said votes shall be received and canvassed by the judges of election of the several precincts in the different counties in the same manner as votes for county, town, city or village officers are canvassed, and in case of county elections under the provisions of this act, the returns shall be made to the county auditor of such county in the same time and manner as annual election returns are made.

SEC. 4. The proper authorities of each of said counties, towns, incorporated cities and villages issuing said bonds, shall annually levy a tax in an amount sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds, and also at the proper time to pay the principal of said bonds when due. Such taxes shall be levied and collected as other taxes are now levied and collected.

SEC. 5. No bonds shall be issued and delivered to any railroad company or corporation under the provisions of this act until after the road for which such bonds have been voted shall have been completed ready for the cars from one terminus continuously through, or to the county, town, incorporated city or village voting such bonds, or to the nearest point on the line of said road to such county, town, incorporated city or village, or to the point named.

SEC. 6. In case of submission of the question of issuing bonds as aforesaid, and the same have been voted down in any county, town, city or incorporated village, the same question upon a new petition may again be submitted in the same manner and with the same effect as at the previous special election.

Provided, that no more than one special election under this act shall be held in any county, town, incorporated city or village in any one year, unless held upon a day of general election in such county, town, city, or village.

SEC. 7. The public use and benefit of the above mentioned railroad is hereby declared.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 8, 1881.

CHAPTER 266.

AN ACT to authorize the board of education of the city of Mankato to fund its indebtedness and to issue bonds to pay such indebtedness.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota.

SECTION 1. That the board of education of the city of Mankato, in the county of Blue Earth and the State of Minnesota, is authoriz-

ed to issue and negotiate its bonds in an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to pay its present indebtedness, including its indebtedness upon bonds or indebtedness of any kind whatever.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, payable to order, drawing interest at a rate not exceeding eight per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually.

SEC. 3. Said bonds shall be signed by the President and Secretary of said board of education and shall not be negotiated for less than the par value.

SEC. 4. Taxes for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon shall be provided for as other debts of said district. Said bonds may have interest coupons attached or the interest may be made payable in the body of each bond.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1st, 1881.

CHAPTER 267.

AN ACT to authorize the county commissioners of Polk county to issue bonds to build a court house, and to fund the floating indebtedness of said county.

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

SECTION 1. The board of county commissioners of the county of Polk, in this State, is hereby authorized at any time prior to the first (1st) day of January, 1882, to issue and negotiate the bonds of said county (with coupons) for a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

SEC. 2. The proceeds of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) of said bonds are to be used for the purpose of building a court house for said Polk county, in the city of Crookston, in said county, and for no other purpose whatsoever. Said county commissioners before letting any contract for the construction of said court house, shall advertise for a period of four weeks in one or more newspapers published in said county for bids or proposals for such construction, and the contract shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder; and they shall require from the person or persons to whom said contract shall be awarded a good and sufficient bond, in the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) with two or more sureties to be approved by said board conditioned upon the faithful performance of said contract, according to the plans and specifications under which said contract is let.