

the manner provided by law for returning, certifying and canvassing votes at general elections, and if it shall appear therefrom that a majority of the voters present and voting at said election upon said amendment have voted in favor of the same, then within ten (10) days after the result shall have been ascertained according to law, the governor shall make proclamation thereof and said amendment shall thereupon take effect and be in full force as part of the constitution of the state of Minnesota.

Proclamation.

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

Approved April 26, 1895.

CHAPTER 3.

H. F. No. 30.

An act proposing an amendment to section one (1) of article seven (7) of the constitution of the state of Minnesota which relates to the elective franchise.

To amend Sec. 1, Art. 7 of constitution.

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

SECTION 1. The following amendment to a part of article seven (7) of the constitution of the state of Minnesota is hereby proposed to the people of said state for their approval or rejection, that is to say, change section one (1) of article seven (7) of said constitution so that said section one (1) shall read as follows:

Section as amended.

Section one (1). What persons are entitled to vote:

Every male person of the age of twenty-one (21) years or upwards belonging to either of the following classes who has resided in this state six (6) months next preceding any election shall be entitled to vote at such election in the election district of which he shall at the time have been for thirty (30) days a resident, for all officers that now are, or hereafter may be, elective by the people.

First—Citizens of the United States who have been such for the period of three (3) months next preceding any election.

Second—Persons of mixed white and Indian blood, who have adopted the customs and habits of civilization.

Third—Persons of Indian blood residing in this state, who have adopted the language, customs and habits of civilization, after an examination before any district court of the state, in such manner as may be provided

by law, and shall have been pronounced by said court capable of enjoying the rights of citizenship within the state.

To be submitted at next general election.

SEC. 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people of said state for their approval or rejection at the next general election for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six (1896), and each of the legal voters of said state may, at said election, vote by ballot for or against said amendment, and the returns thereof shall be made and certified, and such votes and the result thereof declared in the manner provided by law for returning, certifying and canvassing votes at general elections for the state officers and declaring the result thereof, and if it shall appear therefrom that a majority of the voters present and voting at said election upon said amendment "Yes" or "No" have voted in favor of the same, then within ten (10) days after the result shall have been ascertained, the governor shall make proclamation thereof, and said amendment shall thereupon take effect and be in full force as part of the constitution of the state of Minnesota.

Form of ballot.

SEC. 3. The ballots used at said election on said amendment shall have printed thereon "Amendment to section one (1) of article seven (7) of the constitution of the state of Minnesota which relates to elective franchise, Yes—No," and each elector voting on said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X) in one of the two (2) spaces left for the purpose upon the margin of the ballot used at said election, as provided in section twenty-eight (28) of chapter four (4) of general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (1893). The elector desiring to vote for said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X) in the space so left opposite the word "Yes," and the elector desiring to vote against said amendment shall make a cross mark thus (X) in the space so left opposite the word "No," and no ballots shall be counted on said amendment except those having said cross mark (X) opposite one only of said words "Yes" or "No."

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 2, 1895.