

to select the whole or any part of any section of land on which any of the salt springs selected by the state is located, or more than three sections selected and located by the state as applicable or appurtenant to any one spring.

SEC. 3. Should the said company get through the rock at less than five hundred feet below the bottom of the present well, and there find salt deposits of sufficient strength to be profitably worked, and should cease boring therefor, and that fact be proved to the satisfaction of the governor, the said company shall receive a pro rata proportion of the said lands. Upon such proof the governor shall certify the fact to the state auditor, which certificate, with a certificate of the said company, filed and recorded in the office of the state auditor as aforesaid, shall vest the title of the lands so selected in said company as hereinbefore provided.

Further conditions.

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

When act to take effect.

Approved February 29, 1872.

CHAPTER XCV.

An Act to Authorize the Davenport and St. Paul Railroad Company to Extend the Line of its Road into Minnesota.

February 13,
1872.

- SECTION 1. Authority to extend railroad from the south line of the State to St. Paul
2. Restriction as to freight and passengers.
 3. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. The Davenport and Saint Paul railroad company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the state of Iowa, is hereby authorized and empowered

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to extend, construct and build its line of road to Saint Paul or West Saint Paul, in Minnesota, via Rochester, in Olmsted county, from the point of its intersecting the south line of this state in Fillmore county; and for that purpose shall have and possess all the powers, privileges and franchises, and be subject to the same liabilities as railroad companies organized under the general laws of this state, and may sue and be sued in the courts of this state, the same as is now or may be provided by law with reference to foreign or domestic corporations. *Provided*, That said corporation shall pay into the state treasury on or before the first day of March of each year, three per cent. of its gross earnings on the line of its road constructed within this state, and such payment shall be in lieu of all other taxes upon the property of said company in this state; and the legislature may, by law, at any time provide for the mode and manner of ascertaining the amount of such gross earnings.

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SEC. 2. The said company may charge and receive for the transportation of passengers and freight over the line of its road within this state, such reasonable rate as may be from time to time fixed by said corporation or prescribed by general laws of this state.

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

Approved February 13, 1872.