CHAPTER 267.

[H. F. No. 300.]

AN ACT RELATING TO LANDS HERETOFORE GRANTED OR CONVEYED TO THE TRUSTEES OR TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOND DU LAC, IN THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, STATE OF MINNESOTA.

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

- SECTION 1. That for the purposes of this act, all powers, authority and trusts heretofore, at any time, vested in the town council of the town of Fond du Lac, in the county of St. Louis, or in the trustees of said town, are hereby transferred to and vested in the judge of the district court for the eleventh (11th) judicial district who is now senior in office and to his successors in office.
- SEC. 2. The title to all lands heretofore at any time conveyed by individuals to the trustees or town council of said town, shall be held by said judge and his successors in the same manner and subject to the same trusts as if said lands had been entered by the proper authorities of said town under and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter seventeen (17) of the United States Statutes at Large for the year A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-four (1844), the same being an act entitled "An act for the relief of citizens of towns upon lands of the United States under certain circumstances," approved May twenty-three (23), A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-four (1844), and said conveyances, and all of them, are hereby legalized and confirmed; Provided, this section shall not apply to lands heretofore transferred by valid and operative deeds, executed by such trustees or town council.
- SEC. 3. In all cases where said trust or trusts heretofore at any time vested in the present or former trustees or town council of said town, have not been executed as to any lands held or claimed by said trustees or town council, whether such lands were acquired under said act of congress or were acquired by deed from private individuals, and in all cases where such trusts have been irregularly or imperfectly executed, if any there be, it shall be the duty of the said judge, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to fully execute and carry out said trusts; and in the execution of said trusts, the said judge shall be governed by the provisions of Chapter forty-two (42), General Statutes of Minnesota, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight (1878), and acts amendatory thereof, so far as applicable; and the provisions of said chapter and amendments shall apply to all of said lands in the same manner as if the whole of said lands had been entered under said act of congress, approved May twenty-three (23), A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-four (1844); and as to any lands heretofore at any time acquired by the present or former trustees or the town council of said town (in trust for the occupants thereof) other than lands acquired under and pursuant to said act of congress, the same parties shall be entitled thereto and their respective rights and claims shall be presented, ascertained and determined in the same manner as if all of said lands had been entered by said town council under said

act of congress; and the said judge and his successor is authorized and empowered to plat any or all of such lands as may be necessary or expedient for the full performance of the trusts hereby vested.

SEC. 4. In case any of said lands shall not be claimed under the provisions of the preceding sections, or of said Chapter forty-two (42), General Statutes of Minnesota, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight (1878), within three (3) years from the date of the passage of this act, said judge, or his successor in office, is hereby granted the power and authority at any time thereafter, upon the petition of the county commissioners of said county, or on his own motion, to sell such unclaimed lands at public auction, after causing an appraisement to be made thereof, to the highest bidder for cash, each separate and distinct tract separately, at the front door of the court house of said St. Louis county, between the hours of nine (9) o'clock in the forenoon and of the setting of the sun; but no tract shall be sold for less than its appraised value.

SEC. 5. Notice of the time and place of such sale, containing a description of the real property to be sold, shall be given by publishing the same for six (6) successive weeks, at least once in each week, in a

newspaper printed and published in said St. Louis county.

SEC. 6. The judge making such sale, in case he deems such sale fair and just, shall execute and deliver to the purchaser a deed of conveyance, and such conveyance may contain one (1) or more tracts sold to the same purchaser at such sale.

SEC. 7. The proceeds of such sale, after paying the expenses incident thereto, shall be paid into the state treasury, to be held in trust

for the benefit of the person or persons entitled thereto.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of said judge to keep, or cause to be kept as one of the records of his court, a full and complete record of all the proceedings had and taken, and of all his acts done, under the directions, authority and provisions of this act.

SEC. 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

passage.

Approved March 16, 1891.

CHAPTER 268.

[S. F. No. 130.]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW LONDON TO GRADE AND CAUSE GRADES TO BE ESTAB-LISHED OF STREETS AND ALLEYS, AND ALSO TO LEVY SPECIAL TAXES FOR GRADING OF STREETS AND ALLEYS IN SAID VILLAGE.

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

SECTION 1. The village council of the village of New London, Kandiyohi county, shall have power to establish the grade of any street or alley where such grade has not been established, and may grade any such street or alley without the consent of owners of abutting property; it shall cause profiles of the grades of all streets so graded to be made and kept in the office of the village recorder.