CHAPTER II.

An Act to amend Section 4 of Article 2, of Chapter 8, of the Revised Statutes.

Amendment.

Register of Deeds to open and keep Reception Books.

To take effect from and after its passage.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

Section 1: That Section Four of Article Two of Chapter Amendment. Eight of the Revised Statutes, passed at the Second Session of the Legislative Assembly of this Territory, commencing January 1st, 1851, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

> Every Register of Deeds shall keep two books, to be denominated respectively the Grantor's and the Grantce's Reception Book, each page of which shall be divided into seven columns in the following form, viz:

> Date of Reception, year, day, Grantor, Grantee, Stunted. To whom delivered after received. Book and page-where records and kind of received.

Form of Books.

Date of Reception, year, day, Grantee. Grantor. Where stuated. To whom delivered after received. Book and page where to whom he was a few freed of the received. Instrument.

The Register shall enter in each of said books in the order and manner of all deeds and other instruments: left for record, and all copies left as cautions or notices of liens, as soon as the same shall be received, and when mortgages are discharged in whole or in part, by an acknowledgment of satisfaction written on the margin of the page where the mortgage is recorded, the Register shall note the fact by writing the word "satisfied," or "satisfied in part," as the case may be, across the entry in the reception books, when the instrument satisfied is entered, and the other particulars in their appropriate columns. The pages of each of the said reception books shall be lettered in alphabetical order, a convenient number of consecutive pages being allotted to each letter of the alphabet, and each and every entry made in the said books as aforesaid shall be made in the Grantor's Reception Book under the letter which shall be the initial letter of the grantor's surname. And in the Grantees Reception Book, under the letter which shall be the initial letter of the Grantee's surname; and all the entries under each letter shall appear upon said books consecutively, and in the order as to time in which the instruments were re-The said Register shall also certify upon each instrument recorded by him the time when it was recorded, and the book and page in which it was recorded, and every

instrument shall be considered as recorded at the time so noted. It shall be the duty of said Register to exhibit free of charge during the hours when his office is, or is required by law to be open, any of the records of his office or in official custody to the inspection of any person demanding to see the same. But no Register of Deeds shall be bound to record any deed or mortgage or other instrument unless the fees therefor shall be tendered him in advance.

Sec. 2. Each and every Register of Deeds is hereby re-Procure Books, quired and empowered forthwith to procure, open and keep the Reception Books provided for in the above section, at

the expense of his proper county.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its pas- To take effect. sage.

J. W. FURBER.

Speaker of the House of Representatives. JOHN B. BRISBIN,

President of the Council.

Approved-March seventh, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

W. A. GORMAN.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Minnesota,) Sr. Paul, March 6th, 1857.

I certify the above to be a true copy of the original on file in this office.

> J. J. McCullough, Acting Secretary.

CHAPTER III.

An Act to Organize the County of Itasca and for other purposes.

Section 1. Organization.
2. County seat-County Commissioners.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

Section 1. That the said county of Itasca is hereby declared to be an organized county with all the immunities that organized counties are entitled by law in this Territory.

Sec. 2. The temporary county seat of said county shall be at Ojibway, and the Governor is hereby empowered to appoint three suitable persons being qualified voters of said county, as a Board of County Commissioners for said county, who shall give bonds according to the requirements of the law. And the said Commissioners who shall be appointed as aforesaid, shall have the power to appoint all other county

Organized.

County Seat.