

Surveyors for each district to be elected annually the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, a Surveyor General for each of the districts aforesaid, and each Surveyor shall be a citizen of the district for which he is elected, and shall enter upon the duties of his office on the first Monday in April next succeeding his election, and shall hold his office for one year, and until his successor is elected and qualified.

Legal scale SEC. 4. The scale rule known as Scribner's rule is hereby adopted as the only legal rule for the survey of logs in this Territory; *Provided*, that every log shall be surveyed by the largest number of even feet which it contains in length over ten feet and under twenty-four feet, and all logs of twenty-four feet in length or more shall be surveyed as two logs or more.

Be eal of acts inconsistent with SEC. 5. All acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of June next after the approval of this act.

J. W. FURBER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN B. BRISBIN,

President of the Council.

APPROVED—May twenty-three, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

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SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Minnesota, }  
SAINT PAUL, July 22, 1857. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the original bill on file in this office.

CHAS. L. CHASE,

Secretary of Minnesota Territory.

## CHAPTER XXIX.

### *An Act to incorporate the Big Sioux Land Company.*

SECTION 1 Corporators and powers of Corporation.

2 Corporators powers vested in a Board of Directors.

3 Authority to open Books.

4 Power to make By-laws, &c.

5 First Board of Directors—Term of Office.

6 Act to take effect.

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

SEC. 1. That C. F. Buck, T. Kirk, William A. Jones, William S. Drew, H. C. Lester, H. J. Hilbert, H. D. Huff, E. S.

King, Thomas Wilson, Alonzo S. Forster, M. S. Bemis, Lynch R. King, H. H. Johnston, and such other persons as may become associated with them in the manner hereinafter prescribed, are hereby created a body corporate by the name and title of the "Big Sioux Land Company," and by that name shall be, and hereby are, made capable in law and equity to purchase, hold and convey both real and personal estate, lands, tenements, and hereditaments to grant, lease, or in any manner dispose of the same; to borrow money and mortgage the property of the company to secure the same; to sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal, and to transact all and several collectively the things they might do in their individual capacity.

Incorporators]

Power of incorporators

SEC. 2. All the corporate powers of said company shall be vested in and controlled and exercised by the Board of Directors, and such officers and agents as they shall appoint.

Board of Directors.

SEC. 3. The Board of Directors of the Company hereby created are hereby authorized and empowered to open books at such place or places, and at such time or times, as the Directors may direct, and receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company.

May open books

SEC. 4. The said Directors shall have power to make, ordain or establish all such by-laws, rules and regulations as they may deem expedient or necessary for the government of said company, and for the well ordering, regulating and securing their business affairs. And such by-laws, rules and regulations shall have the force and effect of law; *Provided*, that the same are not repugnant to the laws of the United States or of this Territory or future State of Minnesota.

By-laws, &amp;c.

SEC. 5. The corporators herein named shall constitute the first Board of Directors, and continue in office for one year, and on the first Monday of June annually thereafter the stockholders shall elect from their number the necessary Directors and officers for the government of said company.

First Board

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Take effect

J. W. FURBER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN B. BRISBIN,

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