

CHAPTER XXVII.

An Act to vacate a portion of the recorded plot of the town of Franconia. March 2, 1865.

SECTION 1. Vacation of certain portions of said town.
2. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That all that part of the recorded plot of the town of Franconia, in the county of Chisago, as surveyed by Henry H. Newbery, included in block number nineteen, and so much of Francis street as lies adjoining said block, is hereby vacated^{Vacation of certain portions of said town.}.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved March 2, 1865.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

An Act in relation to Free Schools in the town of Minneapolis. March 2, 1865.

SECTION 1. Boundaries of school districts—public schools to be under the control of the Board of Education.
2. Number of school directors to be chosen at next annual election—term of office.
3. Vacancy, how filled.
4. Powers of Board of Education.
5. What to constitute a quorum—when annual meeting to be held—duty of President of said Board.
6. Secretary and Treasurer of said Board—duties of.
7. Power to purchase sites and erect school houses—to report to County Commissioners—what to contain.
8. To publish a statement of the number of scholars, &c.,—when.
9. Power to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of maintaining schools, &c.
10. Repeal of former acts.
11. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That all that part of the county of

Boundaries of school district—public schools to be under whose control.

Hennepin within the following boundaries, constitute one school district: Beginning at a point on the Mississippi river where the line between sections ten and fifteen intersects said river, thence west on said line between sections nine, ten, and fifteen and sixteen, to the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of section sixteen; thence due south by quarter section lines to the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of section thirty-three; thence east along the township line to the Mississippi river; thence up said river to the place of beginning; and hereafter all public schools organized within the said limits shall be under the direction and control of the board of education of said district and shall be public and free to all the children within the limits aforementioned, between the ages of five and twenty-one years, subject however to all the regulations and restrictions made from time to time by said board.

Number of directors to be chosen—term of office.

SEC. 2. At the next annual election of school directors in said district, the legal voters thereof shall choose by ballot four school directors from the district. Two of said directors, to be designated by lot, shall hold the office for one year, and two of them shall hold the office for two years, and at each annual election thereafter there shall be chosen by ballot two directors who shall hold their office for two years.

Vacancy, how filled.

SEC. 3. In case of a vacancy in the office of directors it shall be filled until the next annual election by the remaining members of the board, when if the vacancy occurs in the first year of the term of said office, the electors shall choose another to fill the remainder of said term.

Powers of board of education.

SEC. 4. The school directors shall be a body corporate, with corporate powers, by the name of the board of education of the town of Minneapolis, and in that name it shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, and of taking, holding, selling, and conveying, real and personal property as the interest of the schools under their charge may require; and shall also succeed to and be entitled to demand all money and other rights and property belonging to, in possession of, or vested in the members of the present board of education within the said

school district or parts of districts within the limits aforesaid, and the said moneys, right and property of all kinds, both real and personal, now or hereafter apportioned or appropriated for the support and maintenance of public schools in said district; shall be vested in and deemed to be in the possession of said board, which shall at all times have exclusive control thereof.

SEC. 5. The board of education (three members of which may form a quorum) shall hold their annual meeting on the last Saturday in April in each year, between the hours of ten in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at such place in Minneapolis as such board may designate, and all meetings thereafter during the year shall be held at such times and places in said district as may be designated by said board. The president shall be elected by the members of the board and continue in office for the period of one year, his duty shall be to preside at all the meetings thereof. But in case of the absence of the president a majority of the directors present at any meeting may choose one of their number president pro tempore.

Quorum—when annual meetings to be held—duty of president.

SEC. 6. Said board after their organization shall choose a suitable person as secretary and treasurer of the board, whose duty it shall be to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the board, in a book procured for the purpose, to file and preserve all documents and papers belonging to the board, to receive and take charge of all moneys belonging to said district and perform all those duties which pertain to the office of the secretary and treasurer of similar bodies or boards and shall give security for the faithful performance of his duties in such sum as said board may designate.

Secretary and treasurer of said board—duties of.

SEC. 7. Said board of education shall have full power and authority and it shall be their duty to purchase such school sites, or erect such school houses, or hire such school houses or school rooms as may be found necessary from time to time for the convenience and suitable accommodation of all the scholars within the said district, and to apply for and receive from the county treasurer or other officers all moneys apportioned, appropriated or raised, by taxation or otherwise,

May purchase sites and erect school houses.

To report to county commissioners
—what to contain.

for the use of schools within the said district, and to appropriate and disburse the same for the support and maintenance of all the schools in said district in such a manner as such board shall deem best for the interest of the scholars therein, and the said board shall also have full power and authority to make by-laws for their own Government, and ordinances relative to taking the census of all the children in said district between the ages of four and twenty-one years, relative to making all necessary reports and transmitting the same to the county commissioners or other proper officers as designated by law, so that said district may be entitled to receive its just proportion of the school moneys, relative to the visitation of the board, relative to the length of time the schools shall be kept of which none shall be less than three months in any one year, relative to the employment, examination and qualifications of teachers, their powers and duties, relative to the regulation and discipline of the schools, and the books to be used therein, relative to anything whatever that may advance the interests of education, the good government and prosperity of the schools in said district, and the welfare of the public therein.

To publish statement of number of scholars, etc.—
when.

SEC. 8. The board shall annually in the month of February publish in some newspaper in the town of Minneapolis a statement of the number of schools in said town; the number of pupils respectively instructed therein during the year; the several branches of education pursued by them, and the expenditures for all purposes, authorized by this act, during the year.

For what purpose tax to be levied.

SEC. 9. Said board of education are hereby authorized and empowered, once in each year, to determine upon, assess and levy a tax on all the real and personal property within said district not to exceed eight mills per annum according to the valuation of that year, established by the town assessors, for the purpose of maintaining schools, building and repairing school houses in said district, also to assess and levy a tax not to exceed one per cent. additional in any year, for the erection of school houses; and to create a debt not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, and to issue bonds therefor, for the erection of such school houses. All moneys so raised by taxation shall, when collected, be

paid to said board of education, and be disbursed solely under their direction.

SEC. 10. Sections one to twelve inclusive of an act entitled "an act in relation to free schools in the town of Minneapolis," approved May twenty-third, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, as well as all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed. Repeal of inconsistent acts.

SEC. 11. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 2, 1865.

CHAPTER XXIX.

An Act to organize a Board of Education for the city of Wabashaw. January 31, 1865.

- SECTION 1. What to constitute a school district—schools to be under control of Board of Education.
2. What to constitute a Board of Education—powers of said Board.
3. May levy and collect tax to maintain the necessary schools in said district—how collected.
4. When and where to meet—organization of said Board—duty of President—quorum.
5. Duties of Clerk.
6. To have full power and control of all the schools.
7. How moneys apportioned to said district to be drawn.
8. May levy tax for the purpose of building school houses—how collected.
9. Board of Education to subscribe an oath for faithful performance of duties—term of office.
10. Treasurer of the city to be treasurer of the district—duty of.
11. Repeal of inconsistent acts.
12. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That the territory of the city of Wabashaw, in the county of Wabashaw, shall constitute one school district under the general laws of this State, except so far as they are changed by this act, and here-