CHAPTER XXXVIII.

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

SECTION 1. That the territory of the west one-half of the southwest quarter of section No. four (4), sections No. five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8) and west one-half of section No. nine (9), sections No. sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), north one-half and north one-half of southwest quarter and northwest quarter of southeast quarter of section No. twenty (20), north one-half of section No. twenty-one (21) and northeast quarter of northeast quarter of section No. thirty (30), town one hundred and eight (108) north, range fourteen (14) west, in the county of Olmsted, shall constitute one school district under the general school laws of this State, excepting so far as they are varied by this act, by the
name of the Oronoco school district, and by such name may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued in any court of this State having competent jurisdiction, and in its corporate name shall hold the titles of all lands and other property now held or that may hereafter be acquired for school district purposes in said district.

Sec. 2. The officers of said district shall constitute a board of education and shall consist of five members who shall be elected by the legal voters of said district on the last Tuesday of March next after the passage of this act, three of whom shall hold their office for two years and two for one year, annually thereafter. Upon the last Tuesday of March there shall be elected two and three members alternately who shall hold their offices for the term of two years or until their successors are elected and qualified, who shall be legal voters of said district at the time of their election.

Sec. 3. In case of vacancy the board shall have power to fill the same by appointment until the next annual district election, when the electors of said district may chose a suitable person to fill the remainder of such term.

Sec. 4. The board of education, a majority of which may form a quorum for the transaction of business, may meet from time to time at such place in said district as they may designate. A majority of the members present at their first meeting, which shall be annually upon the first Tuesday of April, may appoint one of their number chairman, one clerk and one treasurer.

Sec. 5. The treasurer of said district shall within eight days after his appointment, and before he enters upon the duties of his office, execute to the district a bond in one or more sureties, in not less than double the amount of school money to be received by him as treasurer of said district, to be approved by the chairman, that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office according to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 6: The board of education shall have full power and control of all the public schools of said district, may direct where pupils shall attend school,
and so to change, alter and grade their schools as in their judgment may be for the best interest of the education, comfort and convenience of the pupils attending the same, and may direct what kind of books shall be used in school, and be free to all persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years, residing within the bounds of said district, and one of their number, by direction of the president of the board, shall visit each school once in two weeks, but no one member of the board shall be required to visit any school oftener than once in six weeks.

Sec. 7. The board of education shall have power to levy a tax upon the taxable property of said district each year, sufficient, with the amount received from other sources, to maintain the necessary school or schools in said district for the term of eight months in each year, together with the amount required for fuel, repairs and rent, except such moneys as are raised by the provisions of section eight of this act.

Sec. 8. The board of education shall have power to issue bonds of the district (with coupons) in such amounts and at such periods as may be directed by a majority of the legal voters in said district, at any legally called meeting of the same, said bonds to be payable in equal amounts in one, two, three, four, five and six years from date, or a less number of years, as said meeting may determine, with interest not exceeding twelve per cent. per annum, payable annually, which bonds and coupons shall be signed by the chairman and countersigned by the clerk of said district. No bonds issued under authority of this act shall be so issued or negotiated by said board for less than par value, nor shall said bonds, or the proceeds thereof, be used or appropriated for any purpose whatever other than in the purchase of a site or sites for and in the building, completing and furnishing of a school house or houses in and for said district: Provided further, And it is hereby made the duty of said board on or before the first day of September next after the date of said bonds, and each and every year thereafter, on or before the first day of September, until the payment of said bonds and interest is fully provided for, to levy and in due form certify to the auditor of the county in which said district is situated, a
tax upon the taxable property of said district, equal to the amount of principal and interest maturing next after such levy.

Sec. 9. The board of education shall make a full and complete report in writing of all moneys paid out by them as district officers, stating to whom and for what purpose the same was paid, also the amount of money on hand, together with such recommendations as they may deem proper for the benefit of the school the ensuing year, and submit the same to the electors at the annual district meeting.

Sec. 10. All moneys apportioned in or to said district shall be drawn from the treasury of said district upon an order signed by the chairman and attested by the clerk of said district, stating for what purpose they were drawn.

Sec. 11. All taxes voted or levied according to this act shall be levied and collected as other taxes are levied and collected in this county.

Sec. 12. The clerk shall act as clerk of the district, as all district clerks are now required by law, and perform the duties of clerk under the general school laws of this State, so far as they are applicable to this district and of this act, and make all necessary returns to entitle said district to the benefits of the appropriation of the common school fund, call special and annual meetings required under the general school laws and under this act; also draw and attest all orders on the treasurer for money directed by said board, and keep all district accounts as required by law; also to give at least ten days notice of each annual or special district meeting by posting up three notices thereof in three public places in the district: Provided, The present clerk of said district shall call the first meeting under this act in the manner above specified. Every notice for a meeting shall set forth the objects for which the meeting is called.

Sec. 13. The treasurer of said district shall receive from time to time all moneys from the county treasurer or any other person belonging to said district, and shall keep an account of the same, and shall be open for the inspection of any citizen of said district at all seasonable hours; he shall pay all orders on the district treasurer signed by the chairman and attested.
by the clerk, if there is sufficient funds in his hands so to do, and enter the amount of such orders, and the name of the person, in a book kept for that purpose.

Sec. 14. Special meetings may be called by order of the board, or by a written request of ten legal voters of said district.

Sec. 15. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, so far as they relate to this district.

Sec. 16. This act to take effect from and after its passage.
Approved March 1, 1866.

CHAPTER XXXIX.

An act to provide for levying taxes to procure grounds and build school houses in the city of Rochester.

March 1, 1866.

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

Section 1. That at the annual charter election to be held in the city of Rochester, in the county of Olmsted, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six, the following proposition shall be submitted to the voters of said city for their approval or rejection, to wit: a proposition to raise by taxation the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, with which to purchase