

## CHAPTER LXXXVI.

*An Act to authorize the county of Ramsey to build and maintain a bridge across the Mississippi River.*

March 9, 1867

- SECTION 1.**—County Commissioners authorized to issue bonds to build bridge.  
 2.—Bonds to be valid claims against county until paid.  
 3.—Nominates commissioners to negotiate bonds.  
 4.—Payment of bonds secured by special tax.  
 5.—Commissioners may give certificates to outside contributors.  
 6.—Bridge to belong to county—fixes rate of tolls.

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

**SECTION 1.** That the commissioners of the county of Ramsey be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to issue the bonds of said county, payable at any time after ten years from the date thereof, bearing interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, principal and interest payable in the city of New York, to an amount not exceeding sixty thousand dollars, to aid in the construction of a bridge, and to fill and grade the approaches to said bridge across the Mississippi river, at some point, the location thereof to be made by the commissioners hereinafter provided for, between Fort Snelling: *And providing,* That one end of said bridge shall be located in Ramsey county, below the intersection of the west line of Ramsey county with the Mississippi river. Said bonds shall be issued in sums of not less than one hundred nor more than one thousand dollars each, and shall state on their face the object for which they were issued, and shall be signed by the chairman of the board of said county commissioners and countersigned by the auditor of said county.

May issue bonds

**SEC. 2.** Said bonds when issued and the interest thereon accruing, shall be and remain a valid and subsisting demand against said county of Ramsey until they are fully paid according to the intent and meaning of this act. *Provided,* however, that no bonds shall be issued under the provisions of this act until

Question to be voted on

the question shall have been first submitted to a vote of the electors of said county for their approval or rejection; and the said commissioners are hereby authorized at any general election to be held within three years from the date thereof, to submit the said question to the electors of said county, and if a majority of all the votes of said county so voting at said election shall favor the issue of said bonds, the said county commissioners shall issue the same according to the provisions of this act. But if a majority of such voters shall be against such issue, then said bonds shall not be issued. *Provided, also,* That Hennepin county shall not be liable, under any circumstance or conditions, to any expense of maintaining, repairing or keeping said bridge in order.

Nominates com-  
missioners

SEC. 3. D. W. Ingersoll, John Holland, C. D. Strong, William Lee, William Dawson, John Nichols, George Mitch, D. A. Robertson and H. S. Fairchild, are hereby appointed special commissioners for and on behalf of said county to negotiate said bonds, and to locate and construct said bridge, and they shall advertise for plans and proposals for the building of said bridge, and shall let the contract for the same, on such terms and condition as they may deem most conducive to the public welfare, and best calculated to expedite the completion of said work.

Tax to be levied

SEC. 4. A tax of one mill on the dollar shall be annually levied by the proper authorities upon all the taxable property in said county for the payment of the interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund for the payment of the principal thereof.

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be entitled to

SEC. 5. Any person or body corporate other than said county contributing to the erection of said bridge shall be entitled to the certificate of said commissioners of the amount and date of every such contribution, and every such certificate shall bear the same interest as said bonds, payable out of the revenues of said bridge properly applicable to the payment of interest on said bonds and certificates, and all tolls collected on said bridge, after deducting the necessary costs of maintaining said bridge and keeping it in repair, and other necessary expenses, shall be and the same is hereby appropriated to the payment of such interest: *Provided,* That no such certificate shall be

a claim against said county or bridge, except to the extent of its *pro rata* share of interest as aforesaid: *And provided further*, That in case such tolls shall exceed in amount the sum required for such costs, expenses and interest, such surplus shall be applied in payment of said certificates and bonds *pro rata*.

SEC. 6. Said bridge shall be the property of the county of Ramsey, and to enable said county to maintain said bridge and keep the same in repair, as well as to furnish a fund for the payment of the interest on said bonds and certificates, the said county is hereby authorized to levy and collect tolls upon said bridge, not to exceed the rates following, viz:

Bridge to belong  
to county—tolls

For each foot passage, ten cents; for each horse, mare or mule, or two-ox team, loaded or unloaded, with driver, twenty-five cents; for each single horse carriage twenty-five cents; for each additional cow or ox, ten cents; for each swine or sheep two cents.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 9, 1867.

## CHAPTER LXXXVII

*An Act relative to bathing in Lake Como in the county of Ramsey.*

March 5, 1867

SECTION 1.—Prohibits bathing in Lake Como at certain times.

2.—When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. No person shall swim or bathe in Lake Como, in the county of Ramsey, between the hours of six o'clock, A. M., and eight o'clock, P. M. Any person violating the provisions of this act, shall, upon con-

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