of indebtedness may be enforced by due course of law, and all suits brought thereon shall be brought and judgment obtained in the name of "the county of Stearns."

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3, 1870.

CHAPTER CVI.

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of the County of Douglas to issue bonds for certain purposes.

March 3, 1870.  

SECTION 1. That the county commissioners of the county of Douglas, be and the same are hereby authorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars, in such denominations as such county commissioners may determine, for the purpose of funding the floating debt of said county, completing the county jail of said Douglas county, and for other purposes.

SEC. 2. Such bonds may bear interest at a rate not exceeding twelve per cent. per annum, payable annually, and the principal shall be payable at such time or times as said commissioners may determine, not exceeding five years from the date of said bonds. Said principal and interest to be payable at the office of the treasurer of said county.

SEC. 3. The proper authorities of said county shall
OF MINNESOTA FOR 1870. 409

annually include in the general tax, an amount sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds as they may be issued, and when any principal is about to become due, a sufficient amount to pay such principal sum.

Sec. 4. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act, shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners of said county, and countersigned by the auditor of said county. The said county auditor is hereby required to keep a record of all the bonds issued under the provisions of this act.

Sec. 5. The said board of county commissioners shall have authority to negotiate said bonds as in their judgment shall be best for the interests of said county.

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3, 1870.

CHAPTER CVII.

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Ramsey County to employ a Stenographic Reporter for the Courts of said County.

Section 1. County Commissioners authorized to employ a Stenographic Reporter—for what purpose—compensation.

2. To be in attendance upon every general and special term of said courts—when services may be dispensed with—to file report with Clerk of Court.

3. To furnish either party to an action with a certified translated copy—compensation—Judges and Clerk to be supplied gratis.

4. Report to be received as prima facie evidence of the proceedings had in such cause.

5. Shall be present at all suits before referees, arbitrators, &c., if requested—compensation.

6. Reporter to subscribe an oath and give bond conditioned for faithful performance of duties—in what amount—subject to a fine for gross neglect.

7. When act to take effect.

52