

taxable property of said county over and above, and in addition to all other taxes required by law to be levied sufficient to pay the interest accruing upon said bonds as well as the principal, whenever the same may become due, which taxes shall be levied and collected in the same manner as other taxes for county purposes are levied and collected; and that the faith of the county stand pledged for the punctual payment of the annual interest and principal aforesaid.

To levy a tax to pay bonds.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

Approved March 2, 1870.

CHAPTER CXIV.

An Act to aid the Belle Plaine Salt Company in the development of Salt Springs at Belle Plaine.

Feb'y 29, 1870.

- SECTION 1. Grant of lands to the Belle Plaine Salt Company.
2. When Company may become entitled to said grant of lands—duty of Governor.
 3. How lands may be disposed of—minimum price—to make annual report to Governor—what to contain—liabilities of said Company.
 4. To pay a duty on all salt manufactured—at what per cent.—for what purpose duty levied.
 5. In case salt springs discovered on lands granted, how disposed of.
 6. Who authorized to administer oaths or take affidavits—what to be deemed perjury.
 7. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That six sections of the land owned or which may hereafter be owned by this state and known and designated as "Salt Lands," be and the same hereby are granted to the "Belle Plaine Salt Company," of which Sanford A. Hooper is president and Robert H. Rose is

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secretary, upon the terms and conditions and for the purposes hereinafter specified.

When company entitled to said lands—duty of governor.

SEC. 2. Whenever it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the governor, by the affidavit of the treasurer of said company, that the said company has fairly expended in paying for machinery, material and work necessary to the full and thorough developement of the salt springs at Belle Plaine, in the county of Scott, in this state, and for land purchased for actual use and occupation in said work, the sum of sixteen hundred dollars, the governor shall certify that fact to the commissioner of the land office of this state, and thereupon the said company may select one section or six hundred and forty acres of said lands by government sub-divisions, and certify such selection to the commissioner of said land office, by a certificate signed by the president and attested by the secretary of said company. Upon the filing of said certificate of selection in the said land office, the said company shall become and be vested with the title to the said land so selected as fully and completely as the title shall then or thereafter be vested in the state. And thereafter, as often as it be made to appear in like manner to the governor, that the said company has fairly expended in the same work or enterprise, the further or additional sum of sixteen hundred dollars, the governor shall in like manner certify such fact to the commissioner of said land office, and thereupon the said company may in like manner select and certify one other section or other six hundred and forty acres of said lands by government sub-divisions, and become and be vested with the title thereto in manner aforesaid; and so on in regard to each section, until the said six sections shall have been selected and the selections certified by the said company in manner aforesaid. *Provided however,* That in making the said selections of said lands, the said company shall not be allowed to select the whole or any part of any section of land on which any of the salt springs selected by the state is located, or more than three sections selected and located by the state as applicable or appurtenant to any one spring.

How lands may be disposed of—to make report—what to contain—liabilities of said company.

SEC. 3. The lands so granted to the said company shall be sold or otherwise disposed of by said company at the fair and reasonable market price or value thereof, but not for less than two dollars and fifty cents per acre, and the avails or proceeds of such sales or disposition of said lands shall be used in and appropriated to the payment

for machinery, materials and work necessary to the full and thorough development of the salt springs at Belle Plaine, aforesaid, and for land for actual use and occupation in said work and business, and not to any other use or purpose whatever. And the said company shall annually account to the governor for all sales or disposition of said lands or any part thereof, and for all money or other things by it received for said lands or any part thereof, and shall by such account show how and for what purpose such moneys or other things or any part thereof have been expended, which account shall be verified by the affidavit of the treasurer and secretary of said company; and the said company shall be liable to the state for all moneys or other things received by it for such lands or any part thereof, and not used or expended in the work and for the purposes aforesaid, and such liability shall at all times be a first and preferred lien upon all the property of said company, and such lien may, in default of payment of such liability, be foreclosed by the attorney general, and such property be sold to the amount necessary to satisfy such liability and lawful costs and expenses.

SEC. 4. In case the said company shall so far succeed in the development of said salt springs as to induce the same to enter upon or into the business of manufacturing salt from the waters obtained by such works, there shall be paid to the state by the said company, a duty of one cent per bushel of fifty-six pounds on all salt so manufactured by said company; and such duty shall be a lien upon such salt and shall be paid by said company at or before the time when it shall sell or dispose of the same; and the governor may adopt and enforce such rules and regulations and appoint such agents, as he may deem necessary to the collection of said duty. Such duty shall continue until the state shall have received therefrom a sum equal to the price of said lands at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per acre.

To pay duty on all salt manufactured—amount—for what purpose duty levied.

SEC. 5. Should any salt spring or springs be hereafter discovered and developed upon the lands hereby granted to the said company or any part thereof, the state hereby reserves to itself the right to impose such duty on the salt manufactured therefrom as the legislature may deem proper.

Disposition of salt springs discovered on lands granted.

SEC. 6. Any affidavit required by this act may be made and taken before any officer authorized by law to admin-

Who to administer oaths—what deemed perjury.

ister oaths or take affidavits, and wilful false swearing in any such affidavit shall be deemed perjury.

When act to take effect.

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

Approved February 28, 1870.

CHAPTER CXV.

An Act to amend an act entitled an act to aid the Belle Plaine Salt Company in the development of Salt Springs at Belle Plaine, approved February twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

March 4, 1870.

SECTION 1. Amendment to Section Five (5) of Chapter One Hundred and Fourteen (114) Special Laws of 1870. In case of transfer to another company, by whom liabilities to be assumed.

2. When act to take effect.

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

In case of transfer to another company who to assume liabilities.

SECTION 1. There shall be added to section five of said act, and following the last line of said section, as the same now stands, the following: And all liabilities and obligations to the state which the said company shall be under or may assume by accepting the provisions of this act, shall attach to and be assumed by the assigns or representatives of the said company, and all rights, immunities and franchises of the said company shall descend to and be possessed by the assigns of said company in case of a sale or transfer of the interests of the company to any other company, corporation or individual.

When act to take effect.

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

Approved March 4, 1870.