

Women entitled to vote in school matters.—eligible to office.

SECTION 1. That any woman of the age of 21 years and upwards, belonging to either of the classes mentioned in section 1 of article 7 of the constitution of the state of Minnesota, who shall have resided in the United States one year, and in this state for four months next preceeding any election held for the purpose of choosing any officer of schools, or any school district meeting called to consider any measure relating to schools, shall be entitled to vote at such election or meeting, in the school district of which she shall at the time have been for ten days a resident, and any woman so entitled to vote shall be eligible to hold any office pertaining solely to the management of public schools. *Provided*, that it shall be the duty of all judges of election to permit any woman to vote at any election for the purpose of choosing any officer of schools, or any district school meeting called to consider any measures relating to schools, upon their being satisfied that they are otherwise a legal voter, without requiring them to register as now provided by law for male voters.

Duty of judges of election.

SEC. 2. That whenever the charter or act of incorporation of any city or village provides for the election of public school officers within such city or village, at the same election at which other officers of such city or village are elected, the ballot offered by any woman entitled to vote under this act shall not contain the name of any person to be voted for at such election, except such officers of public schools; and all such ballots shall be deposited in a separate ballot box, but canvassed with the other ballots cast for school officers at such election.

Ballot to contain no name but those of school officers.—How deposited—how canvassed:

When act to take effect.

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

Approved March 1, 1876.

## CHAPTER XV.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 34, OF CHAPTER 1, GENERAL LAWS OF 1873, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ARRANGEMENT AND GOVERNMENT OF COMMON SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

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

SECTION 1. That the fourth sub-division of section 34, of chapter 1, of general laws of 1873, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Fourth—To designate a site for a school house. *Provided*, that the site for a school house shall not be changed after having

been designated, without having two-thirds of the legal voters of the district voting in favor of such change; except that whenever a majority of the legal voters of any school district voting thereon shall determine to build a new school house in such district, and the school house site therein shall be more than one quarter [of] a mile from the center of the district, then a majority of the legal voters of such district voting thereon, may change the site to a more central location.

School house site—when and how changed.

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

When act to take effect.

Approved March 4, 1876.

## CHAPTER XVI.

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAST PROVISIO OF SECTION 1, CHAPTER 20, OF GENERAL LAWS OF 1875, RELATING TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND LEVY OF SPECIAL TAXES.

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

SECTION 1. That the last proviso in section 1, chapter 20, of the general laws of 1875, relating to the territory of school districts, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows: "*Provided further*, that any school district hereafter organized or altered, may contain the entire township in which is situated, or a tract of land six miles square in different townships, and persons not residents of such district, and to whom the school in such district is easier of access than the school in any other district, may, upon application to the county commissioners of the county in which such district is located, be admitted to all the benefits of such school upon such terms as the said commissioners may deem proper. *Provided, however*, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to authorize any person who may receive any of the benefits or privileges of this act, to vote at any school district meeting of the school district within which he may receive such benefits or privileges, but of which he is not a member."

School districts—what to contain.

Participation in benefits by persons not residents—conditions.

Shall not vote in such district.

Approved March 6, 1876.