

to issue the bonds of said borough to the amount of five thousand dollars, in addition to those heretofore authorized, to aid in the construction of a bridge across the Minnesota river at Le Sueur.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be in sums of not less than fifty dollars, nor more than one thousand dollars each, and shall be payable in not less than ten nor more than twenty years from the date of issue, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding ten per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually; and both principal and interest shall be payable at Le Sueur.

SEC. 3. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall be signed by the mayor of said borough and countersigned by the clerk thereof, and shall have interest coupons attached.

SEC. 4. The council of said borough is hereby authorized and required to levy an annual tax on the taxable property of said borough sufficient to meet the interest on the said bonds as it becomes due and the principal thereof, as they shall mature. Said tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as other taxes are, and when collected shall be paid over by the county treasurer to the treasurer of said borough.

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

Approved February 15th, 1876.

## CHAPTER LX.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF NICOLLET, TO ISSUE BONDS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. That the board of county commissioners of the county of Nicollet, are hereby authorized to issue the bonds of said county, in such sums and in such denominations as said board may determine, not exceeding in the aggregate, the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), for the purpose of raising money to purchase seed grain, to loan to destitute farmers of said county to plant in the spring of 1876.

SEC. 2. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding ten per cent. per annum, payable annually; the principal of said bonds shall be payable at such time or times as said board may deem proper; *Provided*, That the time of payment shall not be extended beyond the term of three years from the date thereof.

SEC. 3. 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 county auditor, who shall keep a record of all bonds issued under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 4. That said board of county commissioners shall have authority to negotiate said bonds on such terms as they shall deem to be for the best interests of said county.

SEC. 5. The said board of county commissioners may make such rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, as they may deem necessary for the expenditures of the money realized from sale of bonds issued under the provisions of this act. *Provided*, That no relief or loans shall be granted to any person under the provisions of this act, until such applicant shall have filed with the county auditor his application in writing, duly verified under oath showing the necessity for the relief asked, which application shall be approved and recommended by a majority of the supervisors of the town where such petitioner resides, which recommendation shall be endorsed upon the application so made for relief, and a certified statement of all loans made under the provisions of this act, specifying the amount loaned, and to whom loaned, and when due, shall be filed with the town clerk of the town where the borrower resides, or in which the land is situated upon which the seed borrowed is planted, and the respective town clerks shall receive, file, and enter the same in the same manner as by the provisions of law chattel mortgages are now required to be entered and filed, and the same fees shall be paid said town clerk as are required to be paid for filing chattel mortgages; and from the time of filing such certified copy of lien as aforesaid, the county of Nicollet, shall have a first lien upon the growing, or matured and harvested crops of each borrower, to the full amount of the indebtedness certified to be due and payable, which claim shall have precedence of any and all other claims against said borrower as well as the owner who may waive all right of exemption had under the laws of this state. And such filing shall constitute a sufficient notice to all persons interested, of the existence of such lien, and said lien shall not cease to be valid until the debt thereby secured shall have been fully paid, and when any money in payment of any such loan shall become due the same shall be paid to the county treasurer, and when so repaid the same shall become and be a part of the general fund of said county.

SEC. 6. Whenever application for relief shall be made as herein provided, the county commissioners may make such disposition thereof as is deemed just and equitable, and grant the loan in whole or in part for a term not exceeding two years, with interest at a rate not less than that agreed to be paid upon said bonds.

SEC. 7. The said county commissioners are authorized to annually levy and include in the general tax of said county, an amount sufficient to pay the interest of said bonds, and to provide a fund to pay any portion of the principal thereof, that may become due and payable and not provided for by the payment of the loans hereby authorized to be made.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 12th, 1876.