

their appropriation in part or in whole, in the purchase of grounds for site of court house and county buildings, as aforesaid, and should afterwards arrange with the commissioners of Mower county to donate said lands to said Mower county, in that event the said common council are hereby empowered to convey the same, by a good and sufficient deed to said Mower county.

Provided, That the said common council shall not have the power to make any such donation or conveyance of land, as provided herein, to said county of Mower, until the commissioners of said Mower county shall contract to erect, at the city of Austin, in said county a suitable and appropriate court house.

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

Approved March 7, 1878.

CHAPTER 104.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF LINCOLN, IN THE COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH, TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DRAINING SLOUGHS, SWAMPS AND WET LANDS IN SAID TOWN.

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

SECTION 1. The board of supervisors of the town of Lincoln in the county of Blue Earth, are hereby authorized to issue the bonds of said town to an amount not exceeding the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) to be used by said board for the purpose of draining the sloughs, swamps and wet lands in said town.

SEC. 2. Such bonds may bear interest not exceeding ten (10) per cent. per annum payable annually, and the principal shall be payable not exceeding ten (10) years from the date of said bonds, said interest and principal to be payable at the city of St. Paul in said state. Said bonds shall be signed by the said board of supervisors, or a majority thereof, and countersigned by the town clerk of said town.

SEC. 3. The said board of supervisors shall not have authority to negotiate said bonds at less than their par value.

SEC. 4. The proposition to issue said bonds shall be submitted to the legal voters of said town for their approval or rejection at any annual election of said town; due notice, as provided by law in other elections, (and stating the proposition to be acted upon), being given. The ballots used at such election shall have written or printed thereon the words "Issue of town bonds to drain lands, -yes," or "Issue of town bonds to drain lands,—no." And said

ballots shall be cast at said meeting, and in the same manner, and canvassed by the same officers as votes cast at any annual election, and if it shall be found upon such canvass that a majority of the voters present and voting at such election have voted in favor of such proposition then the issue of such bonds shall be made by said board, and they shall be lawful to all intents and purposes.

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

Approved March 7, 1878.

CHAPTER 105.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF DETROIT, IN THE COUNTY OF BECKER, AND STATE OF MINNESOTA, TO ISSUE BONDS TO THE AMOUNT OF FIVE THOUSAND AND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$5,500), FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING AND PAYING CERTAIN OTHER BONDS AND COUPONS OF SAID TOWN.

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

SECTION 1. That the town of Detroit, county of Becker, and the State of Minnesota, by its board of supervisors, is hereby authorized and empowered to issue the bonds of said town of Detroit to an amount not exceeding five thousand and five hundred dollars. (\$5,500) with interest coupons attached, in exchange for and payment of certain bonds and interest thereon, issued by the said town of Detroit, for the construction of roads and bridges, by virtue of act of the Legislature, approved February twenty-eighth (28th), one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (1873); *Provided, That said bonds shall not be negotiated or disposed of for less than their par value, nor for any other purpose except the liquidation and payment of the bonds of said town of Detroit, issued under said act of February twenty-eighth (28th), one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (1873) and now outstanding and unpaid.*

SEC. 2. Said bonds may be issued in such denominations as said board of supervisors shall determine, and shall be delivered to the holders of said bonds issued under said act of February twenty-eighth (28th), one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (1873), upon the surrender thereof, and may bear interest payable annually at a rate not exceeding twelve (12) per cent. per annum, and shall be made payable in equal instalments and amounts of the aggregate principal sum issued, and the first (1st) instalment shall run two (2) years from its date and shall not cover more than one-