

subject to the provisions of this act, and whenever, according to such census, the population of any county shall exceed one hundred and eighty-five thousand inhabitants, the provisions of this act at the expiration of ninety days from the final filing of the enumeration of such county, shall no longer apply thereto.

SEC. 3. All acts and parts of acts, whether general or special, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 6, 1897.

H. F. No. 568.

CHAPTER 99.

Organization
of unorgan-
ized counties.

An act to provide for the organization of unorganized counties in the State of Minnesota.

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

Declared or-
ganized.

SECTION 1. That every unorganized county in the state of Minnesota is hereby declared organized for all purposes under the limitations and restrictions embraced in this act.

Number of
commission-
ers.

Every county so organized which has eight hundred or more registered voters shall have a board of county commissioners consisting of five members, and all other counties so organized, a board of three members.

Governor to
appoint.

SEC. 2. In every county organized by this act the governor shall appoint the number of commissioners to which said county is entitled under this act, and the said commissioners shall, within thirty days after notice of their appointment, meet and qualify and enter upon the duties of their office, and they shall hold their offices for a period of four years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Commission-
ers to appoint
Co. officers.

The commissioners so appointed shall, within thirty days after qualifying as such, appoint all the other county officers for such county which the county commissioners of organized counties are now authorized by law to appoint; and the other county officers shall be appointed as now provided by law. All of said county officers shall hold their offices until the next general election, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Locate Co.
seat.

SEC. 3. The commissioners so appointed shall, as soon as practicable, by resolution concurred in by a

majority of their number, locate the county seat of said county.

Said commissioners shall, at their July meeting next preceding the general election held in the year 1900, divide the county into such number of commissioner districts as they are entitled to, and the commissioners elected thereafter shall be elected one from each-commissioner district as now provided by law; but until such election all said commissioners shall be commissioners at large for the whole county, and may divide their work as they shall determine among themselves.

Commissioner districts.

SEC. 4. Every county organized by this act is, upon such organization, declared to be detached from the county to which it is now attached for judicial and registry purposes and organized for judicial and registry purposes; and in every such county there shall be held at the county seat thereof one general term of the district court in each year, the time for the commencement of which shall be fixed by the judge or judges of the judicial district in which said county is located until otherwise provided by law.

Detached for judicial and registry purposes.

Such time shall be fixed and the county commissioners of said county notified thereof within sixty days after the organization of said county, and all suits, actions or proceedings pending at the time of the organization of said county in the district court of any other county, which by law would have been triable in said county if the same had been organized for judicial purposes, shall be transferred to said county so organized as aforesaid, and all records pertaining to or which properly belong to said county where no other provision is made by law, shall be transferred to said county and may be transcribed into and become records thereof, and all of the affairs of such counties shall hereafter be governed by the general laws of the state excepting as herein modified.

Term of dist. court.

SEC. 5. Counties organized under the provisions of this act shall have all the usual and ordinary powers of other organized counties; provided and excepting that not more than five thousand dollars shall be raised or expended within five years from the time of the organization of any county organized hereunder, for county buildings, nor shall more than ten thousand dollars be raised or expended for such buildings within ten years from such organization; nor shall any indebtedness be incurred by such county within ten years from the time of its organization for any purpose other than county buildings, except as herein provided, and the total tax that may be levied in any such county in any one year for ten years after the organization of such

Usual powers, except.

county shall not exceed the sum of twelve thousand dollars for all purposes whatsoever, excepting the one mill local school tax and the one mill general school tax, and village taxes; *provided*, should it be found that a sufficient fund is not secured for the purpose of holding a five months' school in each year in any district in such counties from the tax provided for in this act for this purpose, then an additional tax of not to exceed two mills may be levied and collected in such district, but no more; *provided, further*, that any such county may issue county warrants for necessary current expenses, but at no time during the said period of ten years subsequent to the time of the organization of such county shall the outstanding warrants so issued exceed the sum of six thousand dollars, and any warrants issued in excess of such sum shall be void.

Limit of
school dis-
tricts.

SEC. 6. No school district shall be organized in any of said counties with more than twelve sections, which district shall not extend more than four miles in its greatest length or diameter, or having less than twenty children of school age, nor shall any township be organized in any of said counties until it shall be proven to have fifty legal voters.

SEC. 7. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 6, 1897.

H. F. No. 1016

CHAPTER 100.

Funds pay-
able by Co.
treasurer.

An act to amend section fifteen hundred and seventy-seven of the general statutes of 1894, relating to payment of funds by county treasurers.

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

SECTION 1. That section fifteen hundred and seventy-seven of the general statutes of 1894 be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Feb., May
and Oct. set-
tlements, how
paid.

Sec. 1577. The county treasurer shall immediately after each settlement in February, May and October, pay over to the treasurer of state or of any municipal corporation or organized township or other body politic, on the order of the county auditor, all moneys received by him arising from taxes levied and collected belonging to the state or to such municipal corporation,