

hundred and ninety-nine (1899), by a notary public who was also an officer, director or stockholder of a corporation organized under the laws of this state, which corporation was interested as a party to the instrument acknowledged, are hereby legalized, and made as effectual as if the notary public had not been an officer, director or stockholder of the corporation interested.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall not affect any action now pending.

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

Approved April 13 1899.

CHAPTER 196.

H. F. No. 418.

An act to amend sections No. 183 and 184 of chapter 46 of General Laws of 1889, being sections No. 4590 and 4591 of General Statutes of 1894, relating to contract for right of way, how made.

Railroad companies, right of way.

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

SECTION 1. That section No. one hundred and eighty-three (183) of chapter forty-six (46) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine (1889), being section four thousand five hundred and ninety (4590) of General Statutes of eighteen hundred and ninety-four (1894), be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4590,
G. S. 1894,
amended.

Sec. 4590. Whenever any railroad company has located the line of its road upon or contiguous to any land belonging to any decedent or ward, or in which the decedent or ward may have an interest, or whenever the supervisors of any township, or the county commissioners of any county have laid out any public road upon or contiguous to any land belonging to any decedent or ward, or in which any decedent or ward may have any interest, it shall be lawful for the executor, administrator or guardian to agree in writing and settle and adjust the damages with the railroad company, or with the board of township supervisors, or board of county commissioners, to said land by reason of the location of said railroad or said public road or cartway, and the executor, administrator or guardian may in such agreement grant to the railroad company, or the town-

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ship supervisors, or county commissioners, such right-of-way as shall be necessary and required by such railroad company, or for any public road or cartway, and upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the executor, administrator or guardian and said railroad company, or the township supervisors or board of county commissioners, subject to the approval of the probate court.

Sec. 4591,
G. S. 1894,
amended.

SEC. 2. That section No. one hundred and eighty-four (184), of chapter forty-six (46), of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine (1889), being section four thousand five hundred and ninety-one (4591), of General Statutes of eighteen hundred and ninety-four (1894), be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Approval of
probate
court, how
obtained.

Sec. 4591. Such approval may be obtained upon filing in the probate court a verified petition of the railroad company or the township supervisors, or county commissioners, and the executor, administrator or guardian setting forth the name of the decedent, or ward, the corporate name of the railroad company, or the name of the township or county, a description of the land to be used or taken, and for what purpose, the amount to be paid, and that such amount is the full value of the lands so taken and the damages to the remainder of the lands.

To such petition shall be attached or indorsed thereon, the agreement mentioned in section one hundred and eighty-three (183).

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

Approved April 13 1899.

H. F. No. 322.

CHAPTER 197.

Towns, organiza-
tion of in
certain cases.

An act to provide for the organization of towns by the board of county commissioners in certain cases.

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

Proceeding by
petition, no-
tice of hear-
ing, etc.

SECTION 1. Whenever thirteen (13) or more legal voters residing in any two (2) contiguous congressional townships in this state but which are embraced in separate organized towns containing more than two (2) congressional townships each, shall petition the board of county commissioners of the county in which such towns are situated, setting forth the facts that such towns are