

MEMORIALS

AND

JOINT RESOLUTIONS

CHAPTER 99.

S. F. No. 109.

A joint resolution relating to the printing of "An act to authorize the County of Ramsey and the City of St. Paul to issue bonds to build an alms house and hospitals and for other purposes," approved February 29, 1872.

Joint resolution for printing in 1882 laws, act of 1872, relating to Ramsey county.

Whereas, An act entitled "An act to authorize the County of Ramsey and the City of St. Paul to issue bonds to build an alms house and hospitals and for other purposes," was duly passed by the Senate on February 23, 1872, (see Senate Journal 1872, page 281), was duly passed by the House of Representatives on February 24, 1872 (see Journal of House of Representatives, 1872, page 481), and was duly approved on February 29, 1872,—

And, Whereas, Said act through inadvertence was not printed in the volume containing the laws passed in 1872, or in any subsequent volume, though printed in a compilation prepared by W. A. Gorman, city attorney of St. Paul, in March, 1872, of the acts of the legislature affecting the city of St. Paul,—

And, Whereas, Said act is in the following words and figures, to-wit:

"An act to authorize the County of Ramsey and the City of St. Paul, to issue bonds to build an alms house and hospitals and for other purposes.

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

SECTION 1. That the County of Ramsey is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds for the purpose of erecting an almshouse and hospitals in said county as hereinafter provided, and pay for the same to an amount not exceeding thirty thousand dollars; said bonds to be in amounts or sums not less than one hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars each, with coupons attached to bear interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum, the interest payable semi-annually in the city of New York, or in the city of St. Paul. The principal to

Authorizing Ramsey county to issue bonds for almshouse and hospital.

be payable in not less than twenty years, nor longer than thirty years, for the faithful payment whereof, both principal and interest, the faith and credit of said County of Ramsey is irrevocably pledged, and to this end the said county shall provide a sinking fund to pay the principal when due, and an annual tax to pay the semi-annual interest thereon. Said bonds shall be signed by the chairman of the board of commissioners of said county, and countersigned by the auditor of said County of Ramsey under the official seal of said county. The board of commissioners of said County of Ramsey may make such arrangements for the sale of said bonds as they may deem best, but the proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be applied exclusively to the objects and purposes herein stated. Provided, however, that the board of commissioners may apply a part of the proceeds of said bonds to satisfy any debt, contract or liability either now due, or to become due on work done on buildings on the same tract of land, on which said alms house and hospital are to be erected.

Joint ex-
pense of
Ramsey
County and
City of
St. Paul.

SEC. 2. It is hereby further enacted, that the County of Ramsey, and corporation of the City of St. Paul shall bear and pay all costs or expense of erecting and maintaining said alms house and hospital, and the incidental expenses of keeping and supporting the persons, patients or inmates thereof, in the following proportion, to-wit: The County of Ramsey shall pay two-thirds thereof and the City of St. Paul one-third thereof, out of their respective treasuries.

Directors
to manage.

SEC. 3. That the management of the affairs of the said almshouse and hospital shall be under the control of three directors, one of whom shall be appointed by a majority of the common council of said City of St. Paul, and two of whom shall be appointed by a majority of the board of county commissioners of said County of Ramsey; each of said three directors to hold their said appointments at the pleasure of a majority of the authority appointing them, and each shall be paid three dollars for each day actually employed in their official duty; one-third by the City of St. Paul, and two-thirds by the County of Ramsey.

Duties of
directors.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of said board of directors to do and perform all the duties now enjoined upon the overseers of the poor by the General Statutes of the state, except that the director appointed by the city council

shall give bonds to the city, as the council may require, and the two directors appointed by the board of county commissioners shall give bonds to the County of Ramsey, as the said county board may require. Said directors shall have the further power to make all needful rules and regulations respecting the discipline, order, conduct and supervision of said almshouse and hospital as they may deem expedient, and shall report quarterly to the city council and the board of county commissioners a full statement, in writing, of all their said regulations, acts, doings, contracts and accounts, and in all things said directors shall act jointly as a board by a majority thereof and not otherwise, and they shall keep a complete record of all their official acts, and all the powers heretofore devolved upon one county commissioner by the General Statutes of the state are hereby transferred to said board of directors as a body, and said board of directors shall have the further power to appoint an alms house and hospital physician, at a salary not to exceed twelve hundred dollars per annum, who shall hold his office during the pleasure of said directors. Said physician to furnish all necessary medicine for patients without extra charge, in consideration whereof said physician is to be furnished an office, either in the buildings aforesaid or on the grounds adjacent thereto, which said physician shall possess all the powers and perform all the duties of county and city physician; and all city and county physicians heretofore appointed are hereby superseded as soon as said directors shall appoint one as herein provided, and he shall enter upon the discharge of his duties.

To appoint
physician.

SEC. 5. That the County of Ramsey are hereby duly authorized and empowered to convey by deed to the corporation of the City of St. Paul, and said City of St. Paul are hereby authorized to hold in fee one undivided third of the forty acres of the county poor farm, to include that portion upon which some buildings are now situated, in consideration of the advances provided to be made by the city.

Division of
real estate.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of said directors, upon twenty days' notice in some newspaper, to receive bids for erecting said alms house and hospital, and award contracts with the approval of the county board. Payments to be made to the contractor as may be agreed upon by said directors and the contractor pro rata as herein provided.

Building
almshouse
and hospital.

Bonds by
City of St.
Paul for
aiding in
paying for
almshouse
and hospital.

SEC. 7. That the corporation of the City of St. Paul is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds, to the amount of fifteen thousand dollars, for the purpose of aiding in paying for the erection of an alms house and hospital in the County of Ramsey. Said bonds to be issued in sums of not less than one hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars, each with coupons attached, to bear interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum, payable semi-annually in the City of New York or in the City of St. Paul. The principal to be payable in not less than twenty years nor more than thirty years; for the faithful payment of both principal and interest of said bonds the faith and credit of said City of St. Paul is irrevocably pledged, and to this end the said City of St. Paul shall provide a sinking fund to pay the said principal when due, and an annual tax to pay the interest semi-annually thereon. Said bonds shall be signed by the mayor of said City of St. Paul, and the city clerk, under the official seal of said city, and countersigned by the city comptroller. The said City of St. Paul may make such contracts or regulations for the sale of said bonds as their common council may deem best, but the proceeds of said bonds shall only be applied to the objects and purposes of erecting said alms house and hospital.

Directors to
report to
county com-
missioners.

SEC. 8. The board of commissioners of Ramsey county shall have power to order said directors to make reports and settlements of their accounts, acts and doings at any time, and more frequently than quarterly, if said county board shall at any time deem it expedient, an abstract of which settlement (shall) immediately thereafter be forwarded (to) and filed with the city controller. Provided, however, that the functions of said directors shall cease when the county commissioners of Ramsey county shall so direct.

SEC. 9. The board of commissioners of the County of Ramsey shall have power to make all necessary rules and regulations to carry into effect this act, according to its intent and object.

SEC. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 29, 1872."

Resolved, By the legislature of the State of Minnesota that it is desirable that a copy of said act be printed with the Laws and Resolutions adopted at the present ex-

tra session of the legislature of the State of Minnesota, for convenient reference thereto, and that to accomplish such purpose, this resolution and the preambles thereto be printed and published with the laws passed at the present extra session of the legislature of the State of Minnesota

Approved March 11, 1902.

CHAPTER 100.

S. F. No. 88.

JOINT MEMORIAL AND RESOLUTION.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

Your memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota, voicing the sentiment of the people of this state, that the particular relief to be afforded by the measures hereinafter mentioned, not only to a large number of worthy citizens, but to all affected by and having the interests of the postal service at heart, justifies the enactment of said bills into law, do respectfully recommend and request the passage of senate file 1345, a bill to classify the salaries of clerks employed in first and second class post offices, and senate file 1346, a bill to provide for eight hours work for post office employees (or the counterparts thereof, house file numbers 5286 and 5287); and to that end, be it

Joint resolution to congress. Salaries of postal clerks.

Resolved, By the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House concurring, that our senators and our representatives in congress are hereby respectfully requested, to use their best efforts in securing the passage of the bills above mentioned.

Approved March 11, 1902.

CHAPTER 101.

S. F. No. 54.

A memorial to the Congress of the United States by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, relating to the bill (S. 3575) to increase the powers of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, introduced in the Senate of the United States by Senator Knute Nelson, on February 5th, 1902.

Memorial to congress, Inter-State Commerce Commission.

Whereas, The power and right to "regulate commerce among the several states," given by the constitution to congress, has, by repeated decisions of the supreme court, been held to include the right to fix reasonable maximum rates for common carriers engaged in the transportation of such commerce; and