

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

An Act to define the boundaries of Benton, Morrison and Sherburne Counties and for other purposes.

- SECTION 1. Part of Benton attached to Ramsey county.
 2. County of Sherburne.
 3. Part of Benton set off.
 4. County of Benton.
 5. Morrison and Sherburne to be organized counties.
 6. Todd County attached to Morrison, and Sherburne to Benton for judicial purposes.
 7. Debts due on the 1st of April, 1856.
 8. When to take effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That so much of the County of Benton as lies east of the Township line between Range twenty-five (25), and twenty-six (26), beginning at the Mississippi River and running north to the line between Township thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36), be set off and constitute a part of the County of Ramsey.

SEC. 2. That so much of the County of Benton as lies west of the Township line between Ranges twenty-five (25) and twenty-six (26), and South of the Township line between Townships thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36), be set off and constitute the County of Sherburne.

SEC. 3. That so much of the County of Benton as lies north of the line running from the Mississippi River to Rum River, between Townships thirty-eight (38) and thirty-nine (39), be set off and constitute as follows, viz: Beginning at the Mississippi River on the line between Townships thirty-eight (38) and thirty-nine (39), running east to the line between Ranges twenty-seven (27) and twenty-eight (28); thence north on said Range line to the Township line between Townships forty-two (42) and forty-three (43); thence west to the main channel of the Mississippi River, thence down said channel to the place of beginning, shall be and constitute the County of Morrison, and the residue of said County being north of the line running between Townships thirty-eight and thirty-nine (39), shall constitute a part of the County of Ramsey, or of the Counties that may be erected adjacent to said residue.

SEC. 4. That so much of the County of Benton as lies north of the line running from the Mississippi River to Rum River, between Townships thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36), and south of the line running from the Mississippi River to Rum River, between Townships thirty-eight (38) and thirty-nine (39), shall remain and constitute the County of Benton, with the town of Watab for its County Seat.

SEC. 5. That the County of Morrison and Sherburne be, and the same are hereby declared to be organized Counties, with all and singular the rights, privileges and immunities to which all other organized Counties are entitled; and that the County Seats of the said hereby organized Counties be, and are hereby established as follows: For the County of Morrison, at the town of Little Falls, and for the County of Sherburne, at the town of Humboldt, in said Counties; that on the second Monday in April next ensuing, it shall be competent for the legal voters of said

Counties hereby organized, to elect all officers to which said Counties may be respectively entitled, who shall, being duly qualified, enter upon their respective duties, as required by law; and until such officers are elected and qualified, said Counties are declared hereby to be attached to the County of Benton for judicial purposes. That the returns of said elections to be held as aforesaid, shall be made to the Register of Deeds for Benton County, who shall canvass the votes and issue certificates of election in the manner prescribed by law. The said officers thus to be elected and qualified shall enter upon their duties on the first day of May next ensuing, and shall hold their offices until the next general election, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

SEC. 6. That the County Seat of Benton County shall be located at the town of Watab, in said County, and that on and after the first day of May next ensuing, the County of Todd be, and the same is hereby declared to be attached to the County of Morrison for judicial purposes, and that the County of Sherburne on and from the date last aforesaid be, and the same is hereby declared to be attached to the County of Benton, for judicial purposes.

Judicial
Purposes.

SEC. 7. That a pro-rata of whatever debts may be found to be due by the County of Benton, on the first day of April next, shall be chargeable by the said County of Benton and due to the said County of Benton, from the Counties of Morrison, Sherburne and the portions of said County of Benton set off to be attached to other Counties at some future day, in proportion to the amount of taxable property embraced within the boundaries of the several Districts hereby set off. Provided, that nothing herein contained to be so construed as to change the Council or Representative District.

Debts.

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

To be in force.

JOHN B. BRISBIN,

President of the Council.

CHARLES GARDNER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

APPROVED—February twenty-fifth one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

J. TRAVIS ROSSEB,

Secretary of the Territory of Minnesota.

CHAPTER XXXIX.

An Act to amend Chapter sixteen of the Laws of 1853.

- SECTION 1. Printing Reports, how to be paid.
2. Reporter, how paid.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota :

Printing Reports.

SECTION 1. Section three of Chapter sixteen is hereby amended as follows : Strike out all of the said section after the words "the expenses" and insert in lieu thereof. "The expenses for printing the same to be