

in the city for three months next preceding the election, shall be entitled to vote for any officer to be elected under this law, and to hold any office hereby created."

Mayer may administer oaths

SEC. 3. The Mayor of said city, by virtue of his office, shall have power to administer oaths in all cases, when oaths are required by law to be administered.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

GEORGE BRADLEY,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

RICHARD G. MURPHY,

President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

APPROVED—March thirteenth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

CHAS. L. CHASE, Acting Governor.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Minnesota, }

March 13, 1858.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original on file in this office.

CHAS. L. CHASE, Secretary.

CHAPTER LIII.

An Act to authorize the inhabitants of Dodge County to vote upon the location of the County Seat of said County.

- SECTION 1. Legal voters of County authorized to vote for County Seat.
2. Return and canvass of votes, how made.
 3. Public notice of the result of the canvass to be given.
 4. County Officers to remove to the place chosen.
 5. Form of ballot.
 6. Failure to select County Seat, to remain at present location until another election.

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

Authority to vote for county seat

SECTION 1. It shall be lawful for, and the legal voters of the County of Dodge, are hereby authorized to vote at the next general election, for the location of the County Seat of said county.

Returns of the election

SEC. 2. The returns of the said election shall be made to the Register of Deeds of said county, or such other officer as the Legislature of this State may direct, and the votes cast

for the location of the County Seat shall be canvassed in the same manner as is, or may be, prescribed by law for the canvass of the votes cast for county officers.

SEC. 3. Upon the canvass so being made, and the result being ascertained, the point or town having received a majority of all the votes cast, shall be declared the permanent County Seat of said county, and shall be so declared by the canvassing officers within ten days thereafter, by posting notices of the same in three public places in said county. ^{Public notice of the result}

SEC. 4. All officers of said county, or of this State required by law to hold their offices at the County Seat, are hereby required to remove the same to the County Seat so chosen within ten days from the publication of said results. ^{Officers to remove to new county seat}

SEC. 5. In voting for such County Seat, the ballots shall be printed or written as follows, viz: "For County Seat at _____," the place voted for to be printed or written on the ballot as the voter may choose. ^{Ballot form of}

SEC. 6. In case no point or town shall receive a majority of all the votes cast, then the County Seat shall remain at its present location until a majority of the legal voters of the county shall petition the County Commissioners for the privilege of again voting upon its removal, in which case the several provisions of this Act, shall have full force and effect at the next general election, held after such petitions shall be presented to the County Commissioners as aforesaid. ^{Failure to select a new location Future elections}

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

GEORGE BRADLEY,

Speaker *pro tem.* of the House of Representatives.

RICHARD G. MURPHY,

President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

APPROVED—March ninth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

CHAS. L. CHASE, Acting Governor.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Minnesota, }
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CHAS. L. CHASE, Secretary.