

shall be admitted to be recorded in like manner as the original patent, and that the records of such patent or duplicates when so recorded, and the records of all patents or duplicates heretofore recorded and copies thereof duly certified to, as provided in section one of the Act hereby amended, may be read and received in evidence in all the courts of this State, in like manner and effect as original patents. Duplicates may be recorded

SEC. 4. The word "investments," wherever it occurs in said Act, is stricken out, and the word "instruments" inserted instead thereof. Change of word

Approved February 15, A. D. 1861.

CHAPTER X.

An Act Amending "An Act Concerning Alienation by Deed, of the Proof and Recording of Conveyances, and the Cancelling of Mortgages."

SECTION 1. Amendment to Section 10, Chapter 85 of Public Statutes. Certificate of clerk or other proper certifying officer to be attached to deeds.

2. Act when to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That section ten, (10) chapter thirty-five (35) of the Public Statutes be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 10. In the cases provided for in the last preceding section, unless the acknowledgment be taken before a commissioner appointed by the governor of this State for that purpose, or before a notary public, or other officer having a seal of office, and the acknowledgment aforesaid be certified upon such deed by such officer, and his seal of office be attached to such certificate, such deed shall have attached thereto a certificate of the clerk or other proper certifying officer of a court of record of the county or district within which such acknowledgment was taken, under the seal of his office, that the person Certificate to be attached to deeds

whose name is subscribed to the certificate of acknowledgment was, at the date thereof, such officer as he is therein represented to be—that he believes the signature of such person subscribed thereto, to be genuine; and that the deed is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of such State, territory or district.

SEC. 2. That this act take effect and be in force from and after the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

Approved March 6th, A. D. 1861.

CHAPTER XI.

An Act to Provide for a General System of Common Schools, the Officers thereof and their Respective Powers and Duties.

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1. Each township a School District—each school district a body corporate.
 2. Trustees to hold property for the district.
 3. Titles to property adjusted.
 4. Trustees can form sub-districts—mode of numbering sub-districts—descriptions and boundaries to be filed with town clerk—copies to be furnished to county auditor and district superintendent—each sub-district a body politic and corporate.
 5. Existing school districts constituted sub-districts.
 6. Town supervisors to form sub-districts on the last Tuesday of March, 1861—county commissioners, where there is no town organization, to form districts and appoint officers.
 7. Seven freeholders can petition for the formation or alteration of sub-districts—necessary steps for the formation or alteration of a sub-district.
 8. Formations and alterations to be in writing—copies to be delivered to the County Auditor and District Superintendent.
 9. Town clerk, clerk of school district—Town treasurer, treasurer of school district.
 10. Two of the Trustees a quorum.
 11. Trustees to levy all taxes.
 12. Regular meetings last Tuesday in March and October—special meetings when thought desirable.
 13. To call special meetings—to make tax list.
 14. To settle with District treasurer—to prepare annual statement—to estimate school expenses for the coming year.
 15. Trustees employ teachers for the same length of time, and not less than three months—Trustees provide fuel.
 16. Contracts with teachers, how made.
 17. Mode of paying teachers.
 18. No public money to be paid unlicensed teachers—Trustees cannot contract for schools to extend more than four months beyond their term of office.
 19. Trustees to appoint District Superintendent.
 20. Superintendent to file acceptance with District clerk.
 21. Duties of Superintendent.