

now existing road in said counties of Sibley, Nicollet and Brown.

SEC. 2. It is hereby made the duty of said commissioners to make out and deposit a map of said road with the register of deeds of each of the counties through which said road is located.

To file plat of road

SEC. 3. Said commissioners shall meet at Henderson on or before the first Monday in May next, or as soon thereafter as practicable, and proceed to lay out and mark said road. In case either of the commissioners shall be unable to perform the duties assigned him, he shall have power to appoint a substitute, and it shall be his duty to notify the other commissioners of the substitution: *Provided*, That if at the first meeting above named, either of the commissioners shall fail to appear in person or by substitute, then his appointment shall be declared vacant, and the commissioner or commissioners then present shall have full power to select a suitable person or persons to fill such vacancy or vacancies.

When and where to meet—may appoint substitutes.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3, 1865.

CHAPTER LIX.

An Act to authorize the counties of Ramsey and Hennepin, or any one of them, to build and maintain a free bridge across the Mississippi river.

March 3, 1865.

- SECTION 1. Commissioners of the respective counties] authorized to issue bonds—for what purpose—at what rate of interest—in what amount.
2. Until bonds paid to remain legal demand against the respective counties—question to be submitted to the voters of the respective counties.
 3. Duties of the commissioners.
 4. If either of said counties decline to co-operate how to proceed.

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

SECTION 1. That the commissioners of the counties

Authorized to issue bonds—for what purpose—at what rate of interest—in what amount.

of Ramsey and Hennepin respectively be, and are hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds, payable any time after date, bearing interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, and all redeemable on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, to an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars for each county aforesaid, to aid in the construction of a free bridge, and to fill and grade the approaches to the same, across the Mississippi river at some point not above the old ferry at Cheever's landing.

Bonds to remain legal demand against counties until paid—to be submitted to the legal voters.

SEC. 2. Said bonds when issued, and the interest thereon accruing, shall be and remain a legal and subsisting demand against said counties respectively, till the same are paid or redeemed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof: *Provided*, That they are issued for sums of not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than one thousand dollars each, stating on their face the object for which they are issued, signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners, and attested by the auditor of the county: *And provided*, That no more bonds shall be issued than may be found necessary for the purposes named in the first section of this act, and that in no event shall either county aforesaid exceed in the aggregate of its issues for the purposes aforesaid, the said sum of ten thousand dollars: *Provided, however*, that no bonds shall be issued under the provisions of this act by either of the counties named in this act, before the question is first submitted to a vote of the people of the county, whose commissioners may propose to make such an issue of bonds, for which purpose said commissioners are authorized to submit the question to the people of the county at the next annual election, in such manner as they may direct; and if at such election, a majority of the voters should favor such an issue of bonds, then the commissioners of such county may issue the bonds authorized by this act; but if a majority of the votes should be against such an issue, then no bonds shall be issued by such county, under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of said commissioners (of Ramsey and Hennepin,) a majority of each of them

concurring, after the passage of this act, to locate and to advertise for plans and proposals for the building of said bridge, and shall let the contract for the same on such terms and conditions as they may deem most conducive to the public welfare, and best calculated in their judgment to expedite the completion of the work.

Duties of commissioners.

SEC. 4. That if either of said counties declines to co-operate with the other for the purposes set forth in the first section of this act, then any one of them, a majority of its county commissioners concurring, may proceed on its own several account to issue bonds as provided and authorized in the first section of this act, and also in the manner set forth in the preceding section, to locate and build a free bridge at any point over the said Mississippi river, at or below the old ferry at Cheever's landing, provided it do not expend in such work a sum exceeding ten thousand dollars, exclusive of individual subscriptions: *And provided further*, that said bridge when finished and ready for travel, shall be and remain a free highway to the citizens and inhabitants of this State.

If either of said counties decline to co-operate how to proceed.

Approved March 3, 1865.

CHAPTER LX.

An Act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the St. Cloud Bridge Company, approved March first, eighteen hundred and fifty-six.

March 2, 1865.

- SECTION 1. Rights, privileges and franchises renewed and extended.
2. When stockholders to meet to elect board of directors.
 3. Organization of board of directors—power of said board.
 4. Term of office of board of directors—when election to be held—vacancy how filled.
 5. Duties of the Secretary.
 6. Qualifications to vote for board of directors—what to constitute a quorum.
 7. Restrictions in regard to the construction of other bridges.
 8. Repeal of former acts.
 9. Repeal of conflicting clauses.
 10. Authorized to borrow money.
 11. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That all the rights, privileges, franchises