

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1865.

## CHAPTER LXIX.

March 2, 1865.

*An Act to aid in the construction of the "Northern Pacific Railroad and Telegraph Line," from Lake Superior to Puget's Sound.*

**PREAMBLE.**

**SECTION 1.** Consent of State given to said company to construct and maintain said railroad and telegraph—may change terminal of said road and telegraph—subject to taxation.

Preamble.

*Whereas*, The Congress of the United States of America did, by an act entitled "an act granting lands to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from Lake Superior to Puget's Sound," on the Pacific coast by the northern route, approved the second day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, create a body politic and corporate by the name, style and title of the "Northern Pacific Railroad Company;" and among other things, did authorize and empower said company to lay out, construct, furnish, maintain, and enjoy a continuous railroad and telegraph line with the appurtenances, namely: Beginning at a point on Lake Superior, in the State of Minnesota or Wisconsin, thence westerly, by the most eligible railroad route, to be determined by said company, within the territory of the United States, on a line north of forty-fifth degree of latitude, to some point on Puget's Sound, with a branch, via the valley of the Columbia river, to a point at or near Portland, in the State of Oregon, leaving the main trunk line at the most suitable place not more than three hundred miles from its western

terminus; and did also vest in said company all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities necessary to carry into effect the purposes of said act as therein set forth.

*And whereas,* The Congress of the United States did also, by said act, authorize said Northern Pacific Railroad Company to accept, hold and enjoy to its own use any grant, donation, loan, powers, franchise, aid or assistance, which might be granted to said company by the Congress of the United States, by the Legislature of any State, or by any corporation, person or persons, for the purposes of said act.

Preamble.

*And whereas,* The said Northern Pacific Railroad Company was also required by said act, to obtain the consent of the Legislature of any State, through which any portion of said railroad line might pass, previous to commencing the construction thereof. Now therefore—

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

SECTION 1. That the consent of the State be and the same is hereby given to the said Northern Pacific Railroad Company to survey, lay out, locate, construct, furnish, maintain and enjoy a continuous railroad and telegraph line with the appurtenances, within its limits, on the line in said act of Congress authorized; and for the purposes aforesaid, in said act of Congress set forth, and in order to carry the same into full effect the said Northern Pacific Railroad Company, its successors and assigns are hereby vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities within the limits of this State, which are by said act of Congress conferred upon them within the Territories and jurisdiction of the United States, subject to the conditions in said act contained, and to the following proviso: *Provided,* That should the said company elect to make the eastern terminus of said road east of the eastern boundary of the State of Minnesota, then and in that case, they shall construct or cause to be constructed a line of railroad from the said main line to the navigable waters of Lake Superior, within the State of Minnesota, of the same gauge as said main line, for which purpose the same

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powers, rights and privileges are hereby granted to said company, as they have or may have to construct said main line within the State of Minnesota; *And provided further*, That nothing in this act contained shall be construed as exempting the road-bed and other property of said company within this State from taxation.

Approved March 2, 1865.

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## CHAPTER LXX.

March 2, 1865.

*An Act fixing the compensation of the County Treasurer of Ramsey County for the collection of taxes.*

SECTION 1. Compensation of Treasurer of Ramsey county.

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

Compensation of treasurer of Ramsey county.

SEC. 1. That from and after the first day of March, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-six, the county treasurer of Ramsey county shall be allowed at the time of his settlement for his services, three per cent on all moneys collected by him, of the taxes on personal property, and two per cent on all moneys collected by him of the taxes on real estate, and no greater sum for such services.

Approved March 2, 1865.