

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

Extension of  
time.

SECTION 1. That the Lake Superior and Mississippi Railroad Company is allowed an extension of one year, in addition to the time limited for the completion, with the cars running thereon, of twenty miles of its railroad; and also the term of one year in addition to the time now fixed for the completion of said railroad from St. Paul to the waters of Lake Superior, within this state.

SEC. 2. This act to take effect and be in force from its passage.

Approved March 5, 1867.

## CHAPTER VI.

February 25, 1867

*An Act to accept a grant, and in execution of a trust made and created in and by an act of Congress, entitled an act making an additional grant of lands to the State of Minnesota, in alternate sections, to aid in the construction of Railroads in said State, approved July 4th, 1866.*

SECTION 1.—Acceptation by State, of grant of land for railroad purposes.

2.—Vests grant in Southern Minnesota Railroad Company, under certain provisions.

3.—Route of road.

4.—Governor to certify to Secretary of Interior, completion of certain portions of road.

5.—Limits time of completion of road.

6.—Company to forfeit on failure of building road.

7.—Company to accept grant within certain time, etc.

8.—When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That the lands, rights, powers and priv-

ileges granted to and conferred upon the State of Minnesota, in and by an act of Congress, entitled an act making an additional grant of lands to the State of Minnesota, in alternate sections, to aid in the construction of railroads in said state, approved July 4th, 1866, be, and the same are hereby accepted upon the terms, conditions and restrictions therein prescribed, so far as the same are applicable to aid in the construction of a railroad from Houston, in Houston county, through the counties of Fillmore, Mower, Freeborn and Faribault, and from thence to the west line of the state; and the state of Minnesota assumes and undertakes the trust created by such grant, and pertaining to said line of road.

State assumes  
Congressional  
land grant.

SEC. 2. All the lands, interests, rights and privileges and powers granted to and conferred upon the state of Minnesota, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a railroad from Houston, in Houston county, through the counties of Fillmore, Mower, Freeborn and Faribault, to the western boundary of the state, are hereby granted to and vested in the Southern Minnesota Railroad Company, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, and the provisions of the act of Congress aforesaid. *Provided*, That the Legislature shall have the right to fix and regulate from time to time the rates of freight and passenger tariffs on said railway, or on any branch or division thereof.

Vests grant in S.  
M. R. R. Co.

SEC. 3. The Southern Minnesota Railroad Company are hereby required, and they shall construct their said road from its present western terminus to the village of Preston, in Fillmore county, and from thence to the village of Austin, in Mower county, to the village of Albert Lea, in Freeborn county, to the village of Blue Earth City, in Faribault county, to the village of Fairmount, in Martin county, to the village of Jackson, in Jackson county, and from thence to the west line of the state.

Route of road.

SEC. 4. When said company shall have completed ten continuous miles of said railroad, with cars running thereon, it shall be the duty of the Governor of this state to certify that fact to the Secretary of the Interior, and so from time to time as often as ten more continuous miles of said railroad shall be completed as aforesaid, until said railroad is entirely finished to the west

Duty of Governor.

line of the state, and the lands granted therefor shall become the property of said "The Southern Minnesota Railroad Company," in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress, approved July 4th, 1866, heretofore referred to in this act.

When road to be completed.

SEC. 5. The said Southern Minnesota Railroad Company are hereby required to construct and finish their road, with cars running thereon, to said village of Preston, in Fillmore county, within three years from the passage of this act; and from thence to the west line of the state, within the time prescribed by the act of Congress aforesaid.

Penalty for non-completion of the road.

SEC. 6. If the said company shall fail to build their said road as provided within the times specified in this act, they shall forfeit to the state all their rights and interest in and to the lands hereby proposed to be turned over to said company, except their interest in the lands which they may have become entitled to by the construction of a portion of said road.

Duty of Board of Directors.

SEC. 7. The said Southern Minnesota Railroad Company shall within thirty days after the passage of this act, accept the same, and such acceptance shall be by a resolution adopted by the board of directors, a copy of which, duly certified by the secretary of the company, shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, within the time aforesaid.

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

Approved February 25th, 1867.