CHAPTER CXXIV.

An Act to Authorize the Minneapolis and St. Louis Rail- February 29, way Company to Construct Branch Lines and for Other Purposes.

- SECTION 1. Authorized to build a branch line.
 - 2. Authority to issue common, preferred or special stock.
 - 3. Conditions upon which rights and privileges are granted.
 - 4. Shall commence building branch lines within two years.
 - 5. When act to take effect.

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

CHAPTER L.

That the Minneapolis and St. Louis railway Branch line. company is hereby authorized to construct, own and operate a branch line of railroad from some point of its main line within the city of Minneapolis, through the counties of Hennepin, Wright and Stearns, to the village of Sauk Centre in Stearns county, or Alexandria or Evansville, Douglas county, and also a branch from Rockford in Wright county, or some other point in Wright or Hennepin counties, connecting with the above named Minneapolis and Sauk Centre branch, via the village of Watertown, Carver county, to the village of Hutchinson, McLeod county, and the laws in force relating to the Minneapolis and St. Louis railway company, conferring powers and privileges to construct its main line of road and telegraph, shall be in force and applicable to the branch line hereby authorized.

The Minneapolis and St. Louis railway company SEC. 2. is hereby authorized to create and issue additional common preferred and special stock of such classes and amounts, and make such agreements with the holders thereof relating to security and dividends on such stocks and participation in the property, earnings, management and affairs of said company as the directors may think proper, and said company owning said branch line may mortgage the same to secure its obligations and provide by agreement for separate stocks

Issue of stock.

and obligations for and upon said branch line, with separate liabilities and benefits from the main line. *Provided*, That said company shall not issue more than——of stock of all classes, in addition to the amount heretofore authorized.

Rights and privileges.

The rights and privileges granted by this act are made upon the condition that said Minneapolis and St. Louis railway company's branch hereby authorized to be constructed, at its points crossing other railroads in this state, built or graded and in operation prior to its construction at such points of crossing, shall be built so as to cross the same at grade, and shall be to the expense of constructing its proper one-half of the necessary tracks for junction therewith, and also with other railroads already constructed, and also with other railroads which may be constructed after the construction of said Minneapolis and St. Louis railway company's branch hereby authorized to be constructed, similar junction shall be made, and that the company now or hereafter owning or operating the said branch railroad shall transport freight from any and all stations on its said branch line to the several points of junction or crossing, and shall also receive freight from said railroads at the several points of junction or crossing therewith, for transportation, and transport the same to said stations, at rates not exceeding the local rates charged and collected on any portion of its line of railroad for corresponding distances, for freight of the same classification or kind, which said rates shall not exceed the lowest average local rates of the railroads of this state for the same distances, and shall also transport the cars of the said connecting railroads on its railroad, and allow for mileage on the same the same rates allowed by common usage for exchange of car service from time to time, and shall afford all usual facilities accorded by railroads interchanging business, and no discrimination or preference shall be made in favor of or against any locality, person, or either of said connecting railroads. Provided, That said Minneapolis and Saint Louis railway shall have and enjoy the same privileges so far this branch is concerned, hereinbefore granted in this section, over and upon the railroads of other railroad companies connected with it, as are hereby granted to said companies, and that the provisions of this section so far as they are applicable, shall be mutual and reciprocal between said branch line and each of said connecting railroads.

When to commence building branch.

SEC. 4. The said Minneapolis and Saint Louis railway. company shall commence the building of the above branches from their main line to Sauk Centre in Stearns county, or to Alexandria or Evansville, Douglas county, and to the

village of Hutchinson, via Watertown in Carver county, within two years from the passage of this act, and complete and operate the same within four years from the passage of this act.

SEC. 5. All acts or parts of acts conflicting with this act When act to are hereby repealed, and this act shall be in force from and take effect.

after its passage.

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Approved February 29, 1872.

CHAPTER CXXV.

An Act to change the name of Addie M. Konts to Addie M. Sawyer.

February 29, 18/2.

SECTION 1. Change of name of Addie M. Konte to Addie M. Sawyer.

When act to take effect.

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

Section 1. That the name of Addie M. Konts, of the town of Le Sank, Stearns county, be and the same is hereby changed to Addie M. Sawyer.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from When act to take effect.

and after its passage.

Approved February 29, 1872.