

words, "within two years after this act shall take effect," and insert, "before the first day of May, eighteen hundred and seventy-five." Concerning payment for right of way.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. When act to take effect.

Approved March 4, 1875.

CHAPTER XXXV.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION THIRTY-THREE OF CHAPTER FIVE OF THE LAWS OF EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE, BEING "AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO ROADS, CARTWAYS AND BRIDGES."

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

SECTION 1. That section thirty-three of chapter five of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, be amended by striking therefrom the words "residing or" in the fourth line of said section. Striking out certain words.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. When act to take effect.

Approved March 9, 1875.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION TWO OF CHAPTER TEN OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF REVISION, RELATING TO TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATION, THE SAME BEING SECTION TWO OF CHAPTER TWELVE OF THE STATUTES AT LARGE, KNOWN AS THE BISSELL COMPILATION.

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

SECTION 1. That section two of chapter ten of the general statutes, be amended so as to read as follows ;

Sec. 2. A fraction of a township may be attached by said commissioners to an adjoining town, or be divided between two or more towns, or organized separately, according to the

Fraction of township, how organized.

wishes of a majority of the legal voters to be affected thereby ; and when rivers or lakes or creeks so divide a township as to make it inconvenient to do town business, the said commissioners may dispose of any fraction so formed by annexing the same to an adjoining township in the same county, if it shall seem to them proper, whenever petitioned to do so by not less than two-thirds of the legal voters residing in such fraction, and the fact that any such petition is so signed by two-thirds of such voters may be proved by the affidavit of any legal voter residing in such fraction having knowledge of the fact ; and any township having two or more villages or cities, each containing two hundred or more inhabitants, may petition the county commissioners for a division ; and whenever the county commissioners are so petitioned, they may, if they think the interest of such town will be subserved thereby, proceed to divide such townships in such manner as will best suit the convenience of the state ; *Provided, however,* That at least twenty days' notice shall first be given by the county commissioners to the chairman of the board of supervisors of each township affected by the change, before action is taken thereon ; *Provided further,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to release any property in or belonging to that part of any township so detached, from any tax levied or assessed prior to such division being made ; *Provided,* That the part or portion of any town annexed to any other town, and any village or city separated from any town under the provisions of this act, shall not be released from, or in any way discharged from the payment of any bonded or other indebtedness that may exist against the town from which separation has been made.

When act to take effect.

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

Approved February 24, 1875.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

AN ACT TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF JUDGES OF PROBATE, AND PROVIDE A FUND FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SAME.

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

Compensation of judges of probate, how fixed.

SECTION 1. There shall be allowed and paid to the several judges of probate in this state, in lieu of the fees, costs and perquisites heretofore allowed by law, an annual compensation