all such town or village plats now on file in the office of said register of deeds of Washington county, as relate to lands situate in the county of Hennepin as now constituted; and it shall thereupon be the duty of the said register of deeds of Hennepin county to convey the said plats to, and file and record the same in his office, and the same shall thereupon have the same force and effect as evidence as other town or village plats now on file in said register's office.

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

Approved February 14, 1877.

CHAPTER 139.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE JOHN MEADE, GUARDIAN, OR HIS SUC-CESSOR IN OFFICE, TO SELL REAL ESTATE.

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

Section 1. That John Meade, guardian of James Meade, minor heir at-law of Thomas Meade, late of Belle Plaine, Scott county, Minnesota, or his successor in office, be authorized and empowered, with the approval of the judge of probate of the said county of Scott, to bargain, sell, grant and convey, at public or private sale, any or all the mortgaged real estate, situate in aforesaid county, of which the said Thomas Meade died seized. *Provided*, that no deed or conveyance shall be executed by said guardian, or his successor in office, to the purchaser or purchasers, until the judge of probate of said county shall by order have confirmed such sale or sales.

SEC. 2. Before making any such sale or sales, the said guardian, or his successor in office, shall execute a bond and file the same in said court, to be approved by the judge thereof, and conditioned that in disposing of such real estate, the said guardian, or his successor in office, shall use due diligence to effect sales most favorable for said heir, and to account for and dispose of the proceeds of

the same as provided by law.

SEC. 3. Before the recording of any conveyance executed in pursuance of the foregoing provisions, it shall be the duty of said guardian, or his successor in office, to cause a copy of this act to be recorded in the deed record in the office of the register of deeds of the county, and reference thereto shall be noted by said register upon the record of all conveyances made by said guardian, or his successor in office, pursuant to the provisions of this act.

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

Approved March 3, 1877.

CHAPTER 140.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONERS OF DAKOTA COUNTY TO REFUND CERTAIN TAXES IMPROPERLY ASSESSED.

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

Section 1. That the commissioners of Dakota county are hereby authorized to refund to M. B. Dayton the taxes improperly assessed for improvements upon the west half (\frac{1}{2}) of the south-west quarter (\frac{1}{4}) of the south-west quarter (\frac{1}{4}) of section thirty-three (33), township one hundred and fifteen (115), north of range seventeen (17), situated in Dakota county of this State, for the years one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four (1874), one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five (1875), and one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six (1876), there being no improvements thereon, and the said taxes having been paid under protest, in order to enable the said owner of the said real property to redeem the same from the judgment and sale of the same for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (1873).

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

its passage.

Approved March 1, 1877.

CHAPTER 141.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER OF STEARNS COUNTY TO PAY OVER CERTAIN MONEYS.

WHEREAS, There are certain moneys in the hands of the treasurer of Stearns county belonging to the late town of Verdale,