

tax upon said county, to be called the "bond tax," for the amount [due] or to become due, within one year from the date of the tax roll, on said bonds and coupons; and the county auditor shall carry out said tax in a separate column, and the same shall be collected in money, and applied to the payment of such bonds and coupons as are due or fall due in said year; but the treasurer may receive in payment of said tax, any such bonds or coupons as are due or will be due within one year from the date of said roll.

SEC. 6. This act shall be a public act, and shall be liberally construed in favor of *bona fide* holders of said bonds, and shall be in force from and after its passage and publication in the session laws.

Approved March 5, 1877.

## CHAPTER 82.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY OF BENTON TO ISSUE BONDS TO AID IN THE BUILDING AND ERECTION OF A COURT HOUSE AND OTHER COUNTY BUILDINGS IN SAID COUNTY.

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

SECTION 1. The county of Benton is hereby authorized to issue the bonds of said county as hereinafter provided, to aid in the building and erection of a court house and other county buildings in said county.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be issued in sums of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) each, and shall not exceed in the aggregate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), may bear interest not exceeding ten (10) per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, and payable, principal and interest, in the city of New York, or at any banking house in the city of St. Paul, Minnesota, shall not be sold at less than their par value, and shall be payable in not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) years from the date of issue.

SEC. 3. Said bonds and the coupons for interest shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners, and countersigned by the auditor of said county of Benton.

SEC. 4. The board of county commissioners of said Benton county shall annually, from and after the issue of said bonds, levy a sufficient tax upon the taxable property in said county, to pay the interest that shall become due upon said bonds for that year, and shall, in addition thereto, levy, annually, a sufficient tax to form a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of the

said bonds when they shall become due, and such taxes shall be extended by the county auditor upon the tax duplicates of said county, in the same manner as other taxes are extended, and shall be collected by the county treasurer and applied by him in payment of said bonds and interest; as the same may become due, and for no other purpose whatever, until the said bonds are wholly paid.

SEC. 5. The proposition to issue said bonds shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of said county at any general election held therein, in any year within ten (10) years from the passage of this act, upon the presentation of a petition asking that such submission may be made to the board of county commissioners of said county, and signed by at least fifty (50) resident tax-payers of said county. Whenever the question of the issue of such bonds shall be [so] submitted as herein provided, the notice of the submission of such question shall be given by each town clerk in said county, at least ten (10) days before the election at which such question is to be submitted, and separate ballot boxes shall be provided in which to deposit the votes upon such question, and the ballots to be voted shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed thereon the words "In favor of issuing county bonds—Yes," or the words "In favor of issuing county bonds—No." And if the majority of the votes cast at such election are in favor of the issue of such bonds, the county commissioners of said county shall issue such bonds accordingly. If the majority of the votes so cast are against the issue of such bonds, the same shall not be issued.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3, 1877.

### CHAPTER 83.

AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ROCK COUNTY TO ISSUE BONDS."

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

SECTION 1. That the county commissioners of Rock county, Minnesota, be and they are hereby authorized to issue the bonds of said county to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000), and use and negotiate the same for the purpose of raising money to meet the current expenses of said county, and to pay the indebtedness of said county heretofore contracted; said bonds and the interest thereon shall be payable at such times and places as the county commissioners may determine. Said bonds shall be