

faithful discharge of their duties; which oath shall be taken before an officer duly authorized to administer oaths, and the same shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the borough of Belle Plaine.

SEC. 6. Said commissioners, upon the completion of said bridge, and when the same is ready for public travel thereon, shall surrender the same to the council of the borough of Belle Plaine, whose duty it shall be to take charge of the same and be responsible for the repair thereof and for its protection.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 8, 1879.

CHAPTER CCIX.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF A WATER POWER IN THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AT ST. CLOUD, BY THE ST. CLOUD WATER POWER COMPANY.

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

SECTION 1. The St. Cloud Water Power Company is hereby authorized for the purpose of developing, increasing and improving a water power in the Mississippi river at the city of St. Cloud, to construct all necessary dams, booms, locks and water sluices, and to erect mills, buildings and other structures for the purpose of manufacturing in any of its branches.

SEC. 2. The said company shall have power to acquire by purchase or otherwise title to any lands that may be deemed necessary for the improvements aforesaid, and in the conduct of its aforesaid business, and in case any piece or parcel of land not so purchased or leased, shall be absolutely necessary for the aforesaid purposes of said business, the said company shall have the right to enter upon and occupy such lands for the purpose of conducting the said business as in this act contemplated, upon proceeding in the manner prescribed by title one of chapter thirty-four of the general statutes, as amended, for the condemnation of lands by the companies therein referred to, all of the provisions of which said title so far as they relate to the acquisition of right of way are hereby made applicable to the said St. Cloud Water Power Company, for the purposes specified in this act.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 8, 1879.